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# Minutes of the Seventeenth Biennial Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America

St. John's Lutheran Church, Des Moines, Iowa
Wednesday, October 4, 1950, 10:00 A.M.

The Opening Service of the Seventeenth Biennial Convention was held in St. John's Lutheran Church, Des Moines, Iowa, beginning at 10:00 A.M.

The Service, including the Order for Public Confession, and the Administration of the Lord's Supper was conducted by Secretary Reinartz, assisted by President Harmon J. McGuire of the Illinois Synod, President G. Lawrence Himmelman of the Pittsburgh Synod, President J. Luther Mauney of the Virginia Synod, and President Reno R. Frobenius of the Kansas Synod. The sermon was preached by President Fry. The text of the sermon was I Corinthians 4:1:

"Let a man so account of us, as of the ministers of Christ, and stewards of the mysteries of God."

## FIRST MEETING

### Afternoon Session

KRNT Radio Theater, Des Moines, Iowa
Wednesday, October 4, 1950, 2:00 P.M.

Devotions were conducted by the Rev. Paul H. Roth, convention chaplain. Maestro Giuseppe Moschetti, convention organist, presided at the organ.

The president announced that a quorum was present and called the convention to order. Using the Order for the Opening of Synods, he declared the Seventeenth Biennial Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America open for business.

By general consent the report of the completed roll of delegates was deferred and the president announced that the official roll of the convention would be closed at 12:00 Noon on Friday, October 6.

The roll as established at 12:00 Noon, Friday, October 6. follows:

# ROLL OF DELEGATES BY SYNODS

## 1. Ministerium of Pennsylvania

*Organized August 15, 1748*

*Clerical*

Fischer, Emil E., D.D., LL.D.
Berkemeyer, William C.
Neudoerffer, Carl E.
Pflum, Henry J., D.D.
Sell, Harvey T.
Snyder, Corson C., D.D.
Alderfer, Ralph L.
Krouse, Luther A., D.D.
Schmidt, Ernst
Harrison, James
Koehler, Robert L., Jr.
Fischer, Theodore L.
Kistler, Henry M.
Seaman, William R., D.D.
Eichner, Malcolm S.
Hershey, Robert D., S.T.D., D.D.
Schenck, Christian J.
Shetlock, Bela, D.D.
Acker, E. Richard
Steigerwalt, Clarence A.
Dundore, Paul J.
Kistler, Samuel K.
Leisey, Elmer L.
Moyer, William O.
Rutter, Richard M.
Wahrmann, M. Luther
Nolde, O. Fred., D.D., LL.D., Ph.D.
Reumann, W. Paul
Bagger, Henry H., D.D.
Ruff, G. Elson, Litt. D.
Erb, Earl S., D.D.
Reed, Luther D., D.D., A.E.D.
Bechtold, G. H., D.D.
Winters, Roy L., Ph.D.
Weber, Emil W., D.D.
Rahn, Earl F., D.D.
Snyder, Harvey C., D.D.
Houser, J. Ray, D.D.

*Lay*

Bader, Earle W.
Haney, Clarence B.
Lingle, Oscar
Kersteen, Herman
Leitzel, Paul
Snell, Frederick A.
Mannherz, Emil
Breneman, LeRoy
Huehnergarth, Fred R.
Erb, Frederick G., Sr.
Hess, H. Ober
Mill, Elmer H.
Ashford, Leonard
Gladfelter, Millard, Ph.D.
Hodges, Harry, L.H.D.
Koons, Warren
Galebach, Fred
Walborn, Maurice D.
Body, Fred R.
Davis, Warren F.
Emhardt, Charles E.
Astfalk, John
Raeder, Robert
Walters, John G.
Henninger, James F., LL.D.
Gilbert, B. C.
Hagan, Peter P., LL.D.
Hagey, Walter R.
Ebert, Sister Anna, L.H.D.
Knodel, Charles G.
Keller, Hiram H.
Esser, Charles H.
Winters, Mrs. Roy L.
Shotzberger, Edward
Bishop, Herman L.
Kreider, Jacob B.
Scheuringer, Charles A.

## 2. United Synod of New York

** October 23, 1786*

*Clerical*

Knubel, Frederick, R., D.D., LL.D.
White, Paul C., Ph.D., D.D., Ed.D.
Reinartz, F. Eppling, S.T.M., D.D.
Loew, Ralph W., D.D.
Miller, Harold S., D.D.
Krumbholz, Clarence E., D.D.
Heinecken, Martin J., Ph.D.
Beck, Alfred L.
Anderson, Lauri J.

*Lay*

Wagner, Edmund F., LL.D.
Telleen, S. Frederick
Neun, Clarence L.
Arnold, Henry J., Ph.D.
Endress, Henry
Treuenfels, Hans P.
Thompson, Edward
Sardeson, Mrs. O. A.
Gilman, Martin A.

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* Date of organization of the Ministerium of New York and Adjacent States and Countries which on June 5, 1929, merged with the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of New York (organized 1830, see Minutes U. L. C. A., 1926, p. 8) and the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of New York and New England (organized in 1902) to form the United Lutheran Synod of New York.

Sardeson, John H.
Shimer, Frank H.
Gaise, David C.
Gaenzle, Russell S., D.D.
Mahl, Herbert H.
Moyer, Floyd H., S.T.D.
Gollnick, Frank L.
King, C. Leighton
Kirsch, Paul A., D.D.
McLaughlin, Fred
Jaxheimer, David G.
Kreider, Eugene C.
Bernhard, Leopold W.
Schilke, Albert P.
Steimle, Edmund A., D.D.
Bock, Walter E.
Tappert, Wilfried C. H.
Saunders, George F., Ph.D.
Krusa, Henry B.
Kirsch, John A. W.
Pichaske, Donald R.
Goetz, Edward G.
Erbes, Henry C.

Hanning, Mrs. Walter C.
Herbig, LeRoy, D.D.S.
Fake, Kenneth
Pfeil, Henry G.
Hendricks, Miles S.
Walter, Henry
Lynch, Paul
Gruenberg, Harry
Stewart, Harold I.
Becker, Jacob E.
Scheld, Herman C.
Wieboldt, Gustav W. M.
Lotsch, Joseph, LL.D.
Haag, George A.
Wohlsen, Ralph J.
Langsam, Walter C., Ph.D.
Lindemann, Fred
Weidt, Fred
Bueffel, Bernard H.
Buchholz, Fred
Stackel, William H., LL.D.
Sedler, Arthur W.
Barg, John

## 3. United Synod of North Carolina

** May 2, 1803*

*Clerical*

Conrad, F. Leslie, D.D.
Cromer, Voigt R., D.D.
Schott, George F., Jr.
Ritchie, C. Ross
Sheppard, J. D.
Morgan, J. L., D.D., LL.D.
Stirewalt, M. Luther, D.D.
Cooper, David F.
Linn, J. Arthur
Sox, Samuel L.
Petrea, B. E.
Misenheimer, E. L.
Freed, Walter B., D.D.

*Lay*

Mauney, Aubrey
Isenhour, Harry
Mauney, W. K.
McAllister, R. Brown
Heilig, Charles S.
Krauss, H. F.
Symre, Fred
Whisnant, E. E.
Arndt, Harry M.
Pitts, Oscar
Rhyne, T. Paul
Payne, Herman
Litaker, Carl

* Date of organization of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod and Ministerium of North Carolina which on March 2, 1921, with the Evangelical Lutheran Tennessee Synod (organized July 17, 1820) merged into the United Evangelical Lutheran Synod of North Carolina under an amended charter of the former of the two synods which merged.

## 4. Maryland Synod

*Organized October 11, 1820*

*Clerical*

Fife, J. Frank, D.D.
Falkenstein, Elwood S., D.D.
Stuff, John C.
Blackwelder, Oscar F., D.D., LL.D.
Tabor, L. Ralph, D.D.
Reaser, Paul L.
Wentz, Abdel Ross, Ph.D., D.D., LL.D., Th.D.
Garrett, W. V., D.D.
Rasmussen, Carl C., D.D.
Zumbrun, Morris G.

*Lay*

Doub, Virgil W.
Fuss, Merwyn C.
Schaeffer, Carl L.
Barbehem, Joel L.
Folkemer, Paul I.
Konemann, Fred W.
Hickman, Thomas P.
Mowen, Fred
Hess, Walter E.
Yost, George S.

## 5. Synod of South Carolina

*Organized January 14, 1824*

*Clerical*

Kinard, Karl W., D.D.
Caughman, Carl B., D.D.
Drafts, Jefferson L.
Boliek, Wynne C., D.D.
Cullum, Miles T.
Dickert, James C.
Brandt, F. William, D.D.
Rice, C. J.

*Lay*

Cannon, Virgil
Lominick, C. C.
Harman, H. Odelle
Kinard, James C., LL.D.
Ballentine, J. B.
Derrick, L. Greever
Ballentine, J. W.
Long, Hubert E.

## 6. Central Pennsylvania Synod

* *September 5, 1825*

*Clerical*

Putman, Dwight F., D.D.
Berkheimer, George H.
Rhoads, Luke H., D.D.
Huntley, Harvey L.
Hoenstine, John S.
Barnes, John L.
Shilling, Russell T.
Shilke, Charles A.
Trunk, Charles F., Jr.
Turnbach, Edward P., Ph. D.
Leas, J. Elmer
Clouser, Paul R., D.D.
Whetstone, George E.
Richwine, Harry T., Jr.
Doll, Donald G.
Fritsch, Frederick L.
Tilberg, Cedric W.
Luffberry, Henry B.
Ahalt, Harold A.
Harkins, John F., D.D.
Shannon, James S.
Wagenbach, Park L.
Ziegler, Edgar, Jr.
Bingaman, Adam
Whetstone, John W.
Miller, Guy E.
Fisher, Robert F.
Sternat, Henry W.
Schiebel, Robert C.
Reinberger, Francis E.
Sammel, John F.
Walker, Howard O.
Kline, Herbert G.
Tozer, Martin L.
Baughman, Harry F., D.D.
Myers, J. M., S.T.D.

*Lay*

Hershey, W. K. S.
Gettman, W. P.
Horn, John C.
Slick, Ramsey W.
Hafer, George W.
Gardner, Walter J.
Barnette, Ralph
Shimer, Clayton V.
Kurzenknabe, John George
Miller, Isaac W.
Greiner, Claude R.
Mumma, John H.
Kraft, August F.
Esterly, Craig F.
Snyder, Harold C.
Smith, Charles B.
Bartlett, Charles F.
Phillips, John M.
Showers, Lloyd
Fetterolf, Paul, Esq.
Redcay, Luther
Marshall, Raymond
Tobias, W. Boyd
Wentzler, Carl
Deardorff, Clarence D.
Meckley, Claude O.
Jones, William H.
Flower, Milton E.
Shinham, David W.
Bollinger, Lloyd V.
Klinedinst, Herman W.
Grossman, Luther D.
Culp, C. C.
Miller, Samuel Z.
Nissly, Alvin R.
Menges, William H.

* Date of organization of the Synod of West Pennsylvania which, on June 8, 1938, was merged with the East Pennsylvania Synod (organized May 2, 1842), the Alleghany Synod (organized September 9, 1842), and the Susquehanna Synod (formed on May 22, 1924, by the merger of the Synod of Central Pennsylvania, organized February 21, 1855, and the Susquehanna Synod (organized November 5, 1867, under the name of the Susquehanna Synod of Central Pennsylvania, the name being changed to Susquehanna Synod on April 11, 1932).

## 7. Synod of Virginia

* *August 10, 1829*

| Clerical | Lay |
|---|---|
| Mauney, J. Luther, D.D. | Greiner, A. B., M.D. |
| Minnick, Malcolm L. | Miley, Earl R., Sr. |
| Scherer, J. J., Jr. D.D. | Oberly, H. Sherman, Ph.D., Litt.D. |
| Anderson, R. Homer, D.D. | Henkel, C. V. |
| Lange, Melvin S. | Rohrbaugh, T. C. |
| Eisenberg, William E. | Speese, C. M. |
| Fray, John H., D.D. | Keister, E. E. |
| Strickler, Luther W., D.D. | Foltz, J. L. |
| Yount, A. K. | Miller, J. P. |

* Date of organization of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod and Ministerium of Virginia, which, on March 17, 1922, with the Evangelical Lutheran Synod and Ministerium of Southwestern Virginia (composed of the former Evangelical Lutheran Synod and Ministerium of Southwestern Virginia, organized September 20, 1842, and the Evangelical Lutheran Holston Synod, organized September 29, 1860), merged into the Lutheran Synod of Virginia.

## 8. Synod of Ohio

* *November 7, 1836*

| Clerical | Lay |
|---|---|
| Miley, George W., D.D. | Stoughton, Clarence C., LL.D. |
| Fry, Franklin Clark, D.D., LL.D., Litt.D., L.H.D. | Rinkliff, George L. |
| Satre, W. Carl, D.D. | Echols, Leonard L. |
| Mitchell, Carveth P. | Bischoff, Norman E. |
| Albert, Harold R., S.T.M. | Linsenmayer, John K. |
| Lentz, Harold H., Ph.D. | Zimmerman, Charles B., D.J.S., LL.D. |
| Flack, E. E., Th.D., D.D., S.T.M. | Eberhart, Carl D. |
| Wallick, Cyrus M., D.D. | Heintzman, Leonard |
| Xander, E. Clyde, D.D. | Matthies, Roland C., J.D. |
| Walborn, E. Rudolph | Snyder, Howard E. |
| Driscoll, Carl A. | Dye, C. K. |
| Kantonen, T. A., Ph.D., D.D. | Rinderknecht, Edward |
| Danford, C. Myron | Culler, J. Howard |
| Bishop, M. Glenn | Bowman, Neal F. |
| Homrighausen, Tom B. | Scott, Ernest P. |
| Stull, Maynard A. | Agey, Ford P. |
| Schilling, Andrew | White, Andrew J., Jr. |
| Zimmann, William C. | Wright, Ralph F. |
| Wahl, J. William | Gohlke, Fred |
| Kantner, Wayne O., D.D. | Schmidlin, Dan |

* Date of organization of East Ohio Synod which, on November 3, 1920, with the Synod of Miami (organized October 16, 1844), Wittenberg Synod (organized June 8, 1847) and the District Synod of Ohio (organized August 26, 1857) merged into the Synod of Ohio of The United Lutheran Church in America.

## 9. Pittsburgh Synod

*Organized January 15, 1845*

| Clerical | Lay |
|---|---|
| Himmelman, G. Lawrence, D.D. | Baker, Mrs. C. W., Jr. |
| Houser, Donald L., D.D. | Zundel, Ernest F. |
| Brath, Peter, D.D. | Harman, Harvey H. |
| Leubin, William G | Sanford, Roy C. |
| Smail, Everett R. | Brumagin, Ivan |
| Hankey, William C. | Zimmerman, John D. |
| Hays, Carl T. | Martin, Paul |
| Stueber, Frederick | Bird, Mrs. C. S. |

Daubenspeck, Fred H.
Kroen, Jacob O.
Schott, Franklin H.
Miller, J. Bender
Kniseley, John B., D.D.
Miller, Edward M.
Daniels, Clarence B.
Pfeifer, William F., Jr.
Little, George E.
McCullough, Russell L.
Parker, Robert F.
Humbert, Calvin E.
Wolfe, George E.
Eberbach, Werner

Henrickson, Roy W.
Martsolf, P. F.
Cummings, Earl S.
Wagner, E. A.
Liptak, Charles J.
Moyer, Mrs. E. F.
Bert, O. F. H., Sc.D.
McGraw, Fred W.
Marcus, William H.
Smith, William M.
Grunewald, Alfred
Zimmerman, Wm. F., Ph.D.
Crouse, George F.
Young, Charles

## 10. Indiana Synod

** October 28, 1848*

*Clerical*

Hanes, F. M., D.D.
Goering, G. Charles, D.D.
Keck, Albert H., D.D.
Seng, J. L.
Heine, Robert H.
Recher, Paul S.
Renz, Paul J.

*Lay*

Ball, Fernwood
Hunt, Roy S.
Lembke, Ernest B.
Myers, Mark
Noelting, Clarence B.
Rahn, A. H.
Schust, Clarence L.

* Date of organization of the Olive Branch Synod which, on June 24, 1920, with portions of the Chicago Synod (organized in 1871), united to form the Indiana Synod of The United Lutheran Church in America.

## 11. Illinois Synod

** September 8, 1851*

*Clerical*

McGuire, Harmon J., D.D.
Neumann, K. Bruno
Kiser, William A.
Spaid, John M.
Kmet, William E.
Ewald, Ernest S.
Wendt, Erwin A.
Curran, George J.
Zeltin, John
Knudsen, Kenneth T.
Trede, Eldred H.
Swarbrick, William H.
Reichert, Marvin C.

*Lay*

List, Herbert
Arnesen, Alfred
Larson, O. A.
List, Erwin H.
Schulz, Carl
Reindl, William A.
Jordan, Harold H.
Berhenke, Jasper
Dameier, Rufus
Pearson, Irving F.
Johnson, Charles D.
Boye, Richard E.

* Date of organization of the Northern Illinois Synod which, on June 10, 1920, with the Southern Illinois (organized 1856), the Central Illinois (organized 1862), and portion of the Chicago (organized 1896) Synods, formed the Illinois Synod of The United Lutheran Church in America.

## 12. Texas Synod

*Organized November 10, 1851*

*Clerical*

Speaker, Lewis P., D.D.
Eilers, E. Erhard

*Lay*

Warner, C. H.
Koehler, Arthur

### 13. Mississippi Synod

*Organized July 25, 1855*

| *Clerical* | *Lay* |
|---|---|
| Wolff, H. A. | Mori, George |

### 14. Synod of Iowa

*Organized September 3, 1855*

| *Clerical* | *Lay* |
|---|---|
| Boldt, Frederick D., D.D. | Moore, Frederick R. |
| Ludwig, Frederick R. | Miller, Alex M. |
| Eller, William R. | Jensen, E. M. |

### 15. Michigan Synod

** October 27, 1855*

| *Clerical* | *Lay* |
|---|---|
| White, Ralph J., D.D. | Johnson, Kenneth W. |
| Belles, Alfred G. | Kalbfleisch, R. J. |
| Kotter, Vernon E. | Vannatter, Harry |

* Date of organization of the Northern Indiana Synod, a portion of which, on June 10, 1920, with portions of the Chicago Synod (organized 1836), formed the Michigan Synod of The United Lutheran Church in America.

### 16. Georgia-Alabama Synod

*Organized July 20, 1860*

| *Clerical* | *Lay* |
|---|---|
| Weeks, Thomas H. | Eyler, Edgar P. |
| Derrick, Clarence K. | Gnann, R. L., D.D.S. |

### 17. Synod of Canada

** July 21, 1861*

| *Clerical* | *Lay* |
|---|---|
| Baetz, Harry W. | Ahrens, Arthur |
| Buehlow, Arthur F. | Bimm, E. E. |
| Cronmiller, Carl R. | Stiver, E. J. |
| Goos, Walter J. | Kalbfleisch, E. A. |
| Lotz, Albert W. | Loa, J. A. |
| Reble, J. H., D.D. | |
| Stockmann, O. T. C. | |

* Date of organization of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Canada with which, on June 12, 1925, the Synod of Central Canada (organized November 11, 1908) united.

### 18. Synod of Kansas

*Organized November 5, 1868*

| *Clerical* | *Lay* |
|---|---|
| Frobenius, Reno R. | Carr, John W. |
| Whittecar, George R. | Swanson, A. L. |
| Peery, T. Benton, S.T.D., D.D. | Miley, Ralph |
| Naugle, Calvin J. | Buskirk, Paul |

### 19. Synod of Nebraska

*Organized September 1, 1871*

| *Clerical* | *Lay* |
|---|---|
| Krebs, George P. | Olson, Carl |
| Schuldt, Theodore J. C. | Weitzenkamp, Carl |
| Dumler, Henry | Kuenning, W. W. |
| Goede, Henry J. | Ketter, W. D. |
| Young, Alfred W., D.D. | Miller, Cuthbert |

### 20. Wartburg Synod

*Organized 1875*

| *Clerical* | *Lay* |
|---|---|
| Belter, R. R., D.D. | Niemann, A. C. |
| Morack, E. Ray | Warner, Burton |
| Boulton, Robert L. | Drinhaus, Fred W. |
| Gieschen, G. | Harms, A. W. |

### 21. Icelandic Synod

*Organized June 25, 1885*

| *Clerical* | *Lay* |
|---|---|
| Sigmar, Harald S. | Bardal, N. O. |
| Sigurgeirson, Skuli J. | Bjarnason, Harold |

### 22. Synod in the Midwest*

*Organized July 24, 1890*

| *Clerical* | *Lay* |
|---|---|
| Wolff, Lorin J., S.T.M. | Sudman, Emil |
| Welchert, Werner P. | Wolff, Oliver |
| Althof, Theodore H. | Friedeman, Karl |
| Bloch, Frederick H. | Dumler, Carl |
| Syre, R. R., S.T.M. | Brei, August |
| Lentz, A. B. J., D.D. | Grothen, Carl |

* German Synod of Nebraska prior to June 14, 1947.

### 23. Synod of California

*Organized April 2, 1891*

| *Clerical* | *Lay* |
|---|---|
| Beasom, J. P., Jr., D.D. | Johnston, Leo S. |
| Tambert, Carl V. | Cummings, Robert |
| Weaver, J. Benner | Noel, F. C. |
| Wolpert, Paul H. | Vestergard, Luther |
| Hidy, Ross F. | Bell, Carl A. |
| Romeis, Robert S. | Olson, Gilbert E. |
| Garman, Quentin P. | Jensen, Frants A. |

### 24. Rocky Mountain Synod

*Organized May 6, 1891*

| *Clerical* | *Lay* |
|---|---|
| Burns, Lyle C. | Rights, Eugene |
| Futchs, John F. | Sten, John A. |

## 25. Synod of the Northwest

*Organized September 23, 1891*

| *Clerical* | *Lay* |
|---|---|
| Bishop, Paul E., D.D. | Helwig, Walter O. |
| Rasmussen, Harold T. | Downing, L. V. |
| Graf, Paul L. | Jensen, J. K. |
| Zinck, A. A., S.T.M., D.D. | Jouno, J. W. |
| Dressler, Jonas H., D.D. | Drechsler, Ronald A. |
| Shannon, John P. | Mueller, Fred C. |
| Rilling, John W. | Kimpel, Roy |
| Zeidler, Clemens H., S.T.M. | Bjornson, Hjalmar |
| Roth, Paul H., D.D. | Archie, David |
| Gerberding, R. H., D.D. | Arneson, Norman |
| Streich, A. G. | Gauer, Henry |
| Genszler, Garrett F. | Swanson, Henry |

## 26. Synod of Western Canada*

*Organized July 16, 1897*

| *Clerical* | *Lay* |
|---|---|
| Bergbusch, J. E. | Graf, Alexander |
| Dahle, Heinz | Becker, Henry |
| Sedo, R. G. | Shep, Adolf |
| Rosenquist, E. S. | Minchau, H. |
| Becker, Gerhardt | |
| Koss, Leonard J. | |

* Manitoba Synod prior to June 22, 1947.

## 27. Pacific Synod

*Organized September 26, 1901*

| *Clerical* | *Lay* |
|---|---|
| Steinhoff, L. H., D.D. | Randall, Alvin H. |
| Johnson, Edwin J. | Stixrud, Chester |
| Cauble, John L. | Moore, Clarence |
| Sawyer, John L., D.D. | Strecker, Walter |

## 28. Nova Scotia Synod

*Organized July 10, 1903*

| *Clerical* | *Lay* |
|---|---|
| Whitteker, C. H., D.D. | Wamboldt, Earl |

## 29. Synod of West Virginia

*Organized April 17, 1912*

| *Clerical* | *Lay* |
|---|---|
| Schillinger, George W., D.D. | Lindow, Oscar H. |
| Cline, W. P., D.D. | Browne, F. R. |

## 30. Slovak Lutheran "Zion" Synod

*Organized June 10, 1919*

| *Clerical* | *Lay* |
|---|---|
| Adamcik, Daniel J. | |
| Kavalek, Joseph | |

### 31. Synod of Florida

*Organized September 24, 1928*

| *Clerical* | *Lay* |
|---|---|
| Yount, Royall A. | Brubaker, C. M. |
| Fesperman, Francis I. | Hinck, J. H. |

### 32. Kentucky-Tennessee Synod

*Organized June 6, 1934*

| *Clerical* | *Lay* |
|---|---|
| Busch, Gerard D. | Feldkircher, A. L. |
| Werts, Day B., S.T.M. | Wood, James |
| Keister, John T., Jr. | Kraft, Nellis H. |

### 33. Synod of New Jersey*

*Organized June 20, 1950*

| *Clerical* | *Lay* |
|---|---|
| Knudten, Edwin H., D.D. | Beisler, Henry, LL.D. |
| Tamke, George R. F., D.D., Th.D., LL.D. | Schaediger, Alvin H. |
| Wuchter, Robert Z. | Spalding, J. H. |
| Stauderman, Albert P. | Kiefer, Alfred W. |
| Behrens, William F., Jr. | Stockfish, C. H. |
| Haas, Harold | Corneth, A. J. |
| Warfield, Paul T. | Waitz, H. M., Jr. |
| Hagenau, Herbert W. | Drach, Mrs. Robert |
| Alberti, Godfrey E. | Brinkman, William |
| Milleman, Floyd P. | Weber, Mrs. Paul |
| Heft, C. Donald | Ziegler, Paul |
| Laudenslager, Wilbur M. | Walker, H. Torrey, L.H.D. |

## ASSOCIATE SYNODS**

### Andhra Evangelical Lutheran Church

*Organized April 1927*

| *Clerical* | *Lay* |
|---|---|
| Benze, W. T. | Alexander, B. Isaac, M.Sc., L.T. |

### Evangelical Lutheran Church in Japan

*Organized April 1927*

| *Clerical* | *Lay* |
|---|---|
| Aoyama, Shiro | Yamada, Kiyoshi |

### Evangelical Lutheran Church in British Guiana

*Organized July 15, 1943*

| *Clerical* | *Lay* |
|---|---|
| Hayner, C. S. | Parkinson, J. A. |

### United Evangelical Lutheran Church (Argentina)

*Organized January 7, 1948*

| *Clerical* | *Lay* |
|---|---|
| Guequierre, Earl D. | Guequierre, Mrs. Eva |

### Evangelical Lutheran Church in Liberia

*Organized May 20, 1948*

| *Clerical* | *Lay* |
|---|---|
| Flora, George R. | |

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* The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of New Jersey was received into membership in The United Lutheran Church in America as a constituent synod by action of this convention. See p. 22.

** Designation changed to Affiliated Churches by 1950 Convention of the Church, cf. p. 43.

The president read the convention's Rules of Procedure as established by the By-laws.

The president presented the official preconvention bulletin containing the reports of boards, commissions and committees, and other agencies, together with a first (printed) supplementary report and a second (mimeographed) supplementary report from the Executive Board. He dclared that the reception of such reports in no way implied approval of total content and that the action of the convention, with reference to the reports in the form submitted, was limited to the privilege of expunging objectionable sections. He also declared that the submission of proposals for amendments to the By-laws, in these documents, was proper notice to the convention for subsequent action.

The secretary recommended that the order of business for the *business sessions,* as shown on pages 16 to 21 inclusive, be at this time declared the program of the convention.

The recommendation was adopted.

## PROGRAM OF THE CONVENTION

All meetings will be held at KRNT Radio Theater, 10th Street and Pleasant Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa, except as indicated in this program.

The offerings at special services will be for Lutheran World Action.

Page numbers refer to the printed Bulletin of Reports.

The Convention is scheduled on Central Standard Time

**CONVENTION THEME: "For Christian Leaders Tomorrow"**
(The theme of Christian Higher Education Year, 1950)

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4**—Morning, 10-12 o'clock, St. John's Lutheran Church, Sixth Avenue and Keosauqua Way, the Rev. Fred J. Weertz, Pastor, and the Rev. Alfred J. Beil, Associate Pastor

The Service of Holy Communion. Sermon by the Rev. Franklin Clark Fry, President; Celebrant, the Rev. F. Eppling Reinartz, Secretary; Assistants in the service, the Presidents of four constituent synods:

The Rev. Reno R. Frobenius, Kansas Synod
The Rev. G. Lawrence Himmelman, Pittsburgh Synod
The Rev. J. Luther Mauney, Virginia Synod
The Rev. Harmon J. McGuire, Illinois Synod

Music by the quartette of St. John's Lutheran Church
Choir Director: Mr. Kenneth Gfeller
Organist: Mr. George Trissel

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4**—Afternoon, 2 to 5 o'clock, KRNT Radio Theater

Convention Chaplain: The Rev. Paul H. Roth, President Emeritus, Northwestern Lutheran Theological Seminary, Minneapolis, Minnesota

Convention Organist: Maestro Giuseppe Moschetti, St. John's Lutheran Church, Allentown, Pennsylvania

1. Devotions, the Convention Chaplain
2. Formal Opening of the Convention
3. Organization of the Convention:
    (a) Roll (Official Report, Morning Session, Saturday, October 7)
    (b) Order of Business
    (c) Special Item from Report of Executive Board—Reception of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of New Jersey
    (d) Appointment of Special Committees
    NOTE: (c) and (d), above, were transposed by convention action, cf. p. 22.
4. Addresses of Welcome, etc.
5. Approval of Minutes of 1948 Convention
6. Report of President
    Election of President
7. Report of Secretary
    Election of Secretary
8. Special Item from Report of Executive Board—Reception of Affiliated Churches
9. Report of Treasurer
    Election of Treasurer

10. Nominations
    - (a) Report of Committee on Nominations
    - (b) Nomination of the Editor of *The Lutheran* by Committee on Church Papers

11. Report of Executive Board

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER** 4—Evening, 7:45 to 10:00 o'clock

1. Devotions
2. Report of Committee of Reference and Counsel
3. Report of Common Service Book Committee including report of Joint Commission on the Hymnal, and Joint Commission on the Liturgy

   Special Participants:

   The Rev. Samuel Salzmann
   American Lutheran Church
   The Rev. Gabriel Tweet
   The Evangelical Lutheran Church
   The Rev. Conrad Bergendoff
   Augustana Evangelical Lutheran Church
4. Continuation of action on the Executive Board's Report

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER** 5—Morning, 8:45 to 12 o'clock

1. Memorial Service including Report of Necrologist
2. Report of Committee of Reference and Counsel
3. Report of Committee on Faith and Life—Transmitted through Report of Executive Board
   - The General Item
   - The Text of 1949-1950 Report
4. Continuation of action on Executive Board's Report

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER** 5—Afternoon, 2 to 5 o'clock

1. Devotions
2. Report of Committee on Minutes
3. Report of Committee of Reference and Counsel
4. Special item from Executive Board's report—The National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America
   - The General Item
   - The Recommendations
5. Report of Commission to the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America
6. Report of Archivist
7. Continuation of action on Executive Board's Report

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER** 5—Evening, 7 o'clock, Hotel Fort Des Moines

Dinner of Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship
Address: Mr. Frank Egner
President, Funk and Wagnalls Company, Publishers
New York, New York
Theme: "Writing your Biography"

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER** 6—Morning, 8:45 to 12 o'clock

(Before the opening of the morning session, each delegate must procure his or her own ballots at the Registration Desk for elections which are to be held this day at noon.)

1. Devotions
2. Report of Committee of Reference and Counsel
3. Report of Executive Committee of Laymen's Movement, including premiere of film "For Good or Evil"
4. Report of Board of Social Missions

(Immediately after the close of the session, the election will be held for Editorship of *The Lutheran* and for membership on all Elective Agencies. Polls close at 2:00 o'clock.)

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6**—Afternoon, 2 to 5 o'clock

1. Devotions
2. Report of Committee on Minutes
3. Report of Committee of Reference and Counsel
4. Report of Board of American Missions
5. Report of Board of Deaconess Work

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6**—Evening, 7:45 o'clock, Assembly, KRNT Radio Theater

The World Work of Lutherans
    New Voices
    New Needs
    New Resources

Presiding: The Rev. Abdel Ross Wentz, Vice President, Lutheran World Federation

Speakers:
    The Rev. Sylvester C. Michelfelder
        Executive Secretary, Lutheran World Federation, Geneva, Switzerland
    The Rev. Fredrik A. Schiotz
        Executive Secretary, National Lutheran Council Commission on the Younger Churches and Orphaned Missions, New York, New York
    The Rev. Paido Tua Sarumpaet, Sumatra
        studying at the Theological Seminary of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, St. Paul, Minnesota
    Mr. Fuad Nucho, Palestine
        studying at the Lutheran Theological Seminary, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania

Music by the Choir of St. John's Lutheran Church, Des Moines, Iowa

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7**—Morning, 8:45 to 12 o'clock

1. Devotions
2. Report of Secretary on Roll
3. Report of Committee of Reference and Counsel
4. Report of Committee on Conduct of Elections
5. Report of Women's Missionary Society
6. Report of Board of Education—including Report on Christian Higher Education Year Appeal
7. Unfinished business

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7**—Afternoon, 2:00 o'clock

Outing, sponsored by Iowa Synod Committee, Varied Industries Building, State Fair Grounds

Music by the bands of Luther College, Decorah, Iowa, a college of The Evangelical Lutheran Church, and Wartburg College, Waverly, Iowa, a college of The American Lutheran Church

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8**—Morning, services in Des Moines churches

11:00 A.M.—Service of Consecration of Deaconesses, St. John's Lutheran Church, 6th Avenue and Keosauqua Way

Student deaconesses to be consecrated: Sister Bertha Becker, St. James Lutheran Church, New Dundee, Ontario, Canada; Sister Evelyn Houlroyd, Lutheran Church of our Saviour, Trenton, New Jersey; Sister Marion L. Maurer, Grace Lutheran Church, Shamokin, Pennsylvania; Sister Esther Mae Shepperson, Trinity Lutheran Church, Danville, Pennsylvania

Sermon: The Rev. Harry F. Baughman, President, Board of Deaconess Work

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8**—Afternoon, 3:30 o'clock (Organ Prelude, 3:00 o'clock, Maestro Giuseppe Moschetti)

Mass Meeting, KRNT Radio Theater

Christian Higher Education Year Program, Sponsored by the Board of Education

Theme: "Men for the Ministry"

Speaker: The Rev. Walter H. Traub, Pastor, Kountze Memorial Lutheran Church, Omaha, Nebraska

Music by the choirs of Carthage College, Carthage, Illinois, and Midland College, Fremont, Nebraska, and the choir of St. John's Lutheran Church, Des Moines, Iowa

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8**—Evening, 8 o'clock

Youth Program, St. John's Lutheran Church, 6th Avenue and Keosauqua Way

Sponsored by Luther League of America, delegates and visitors invited to attend.

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 9**—Morning, 8:45 to 12 o'clock

(Before the opening of the morning session, each delegate must procure his or her own ballots at the Registration Desk for elections which are to be held this day at noon.)

1. Devotions
2. Report of Committee of Reference and Counsel
3. Report of Luther League of America
4. Report of Parish and Church School Board
5. Report of Special Commission on Revision of Titles of Officers of U.L.C.A.
6. Unfinished business

(Immediately after the close of the session, the election will be held for membership on all Elective Agencies. Polls close at 2:00 o'clock.)

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 9**—Afternoon, 2 to 5 o'clock

1. Devotions
2. Report of Committee on Minutes

3. Report of Committee of Reference and Counsel
4. Report of Board of Publication
5. Report of Representative on the Advisory Council of the American Bible Society
6. Report of Committee on German Interests
7. Report of Committee on Army and Navy Work

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 9**—Evening, 7:45 o'clock, KRNT Radio Theater

Foreign Missions Service

*Greetings from the Fields:*
Argentina—The Rev. Earl Guequierre
British Guiana—Mr. John A. Parkinson
China—Miss Mary Ann Sung
India—Mr. B. I. Alexander
Japan—Rev. Shiro Aoyama
Liberia—Mrs. Mae Keller
*Premiere of Film:* "Senior Partner"

*Special item in the service:* Commissioning of six Foreign Missionaries:
The Rev. and Mrs. Paul Parker Anspach, Jr., Springfield, Ohio
for service in Japan
Miss Esther Barnhart, Albuquerque, New Mexico
for service in Japan
Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Burrall, Wheeling, West Virginia
for service in India
Miss Elizabeth Huddle, New Haven, Connecticut
for service in Japan

Music by the choir of St. John's Lutheran Church, Des Moines, Iowa

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10**—Morning, 8:45 to 12 o'clock

1. Devotions
2. Report of Committee of Reference and Counsel
3. Report of Committee on Conduct of Elections
4. Report of Board of Foreign Missions
5. Report of Board of Deaconess Work, continued
6. Report of Committee on Report of the President

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10**—Afternoon, 2 to 5 o'clock

1. Devotions
2. Report of Committee on Minutes
3. Report of Special Commission on Relations to American Lutheran Church Bodies
4. Commission to National Lutheran Council
    (a) Domestic Activities
    (b) National Committee in the USA—Lutheran World Federation (Lutheran World Action)
5. National Committee in Canada—Lutheran World Federation (Lutheran World Action)
6. Special Item from Report of Executive Board—World Council of Churches
    Address by the Rev. Robert S. Bilheimer, Program Secretary for North America, World Council of Churches
7. Unfinished business

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10**—Evening, 7:45 to 10 o'clock

1. Devotions
2. Report of Commission of Adjudication
3. Report of Committee on Memorials
4. Report of Committee on Place of Next Convention

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11**—Morning, 8:45 to 12 o'clock

1. Devotions
2. Report of Committee of Reference and Counsel
3. Report of Board of Pensions and Relief
4. Special Item from Executive Board Report—Budget of U.L.C.A.
   The General Item
   The Budget for 1952 and for 1953

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11**—Afternoon, 2 to 5 o'clock

1. Devotions
2. Report of Committee on Minutes
3. Report of Committee of Reference and Counsel
4. Report of Committee on Church Papers
5. Report of Brotherhood
6. Report of Committee on Church Music
7. Report of Committee on Church Statistics
8. Unfinished business

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11**—Evening, 7:45 to 10 o'clock

1. Devotions
2. Report of Committee of Reference and Counsel
3. Report of Investment Commission
4. Report of Committee on Transportation
5. Report of Committee on Publicity
6. Unfinished business

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12**—Morning, 8:45 to 12:30 o'clock

1. Devotions
2. Report of Committee on Minutes
3. Report of Committee of Reference and Counsel
4. Address: The Rev. Paul Ehrman Scherer, New York, New York
   Theme: "The Grace of God,—in Vain?"
5. Report of Committee on Leave of Absence
6. Unfinished business
7. Printing of Minutes
8. Minutes of Final Sessions
9. Formal Close of the Convention

The permission of the convention was requested and granted to transpose (c) and (d) of 3. in the convention program for Wednesday, October 4, afternoon session, in order that members of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of New Jersey might be appointed to membership in special committees of the convention.

The recommendation was adopted.

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The president recognized the Honorable Charles B. Zimmerman, member of the Executive Board, who presented the following recommendation:

The Executive Board RECOMMENDS to the convention that the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of New Jersey be received into membership in The United Lutheran Church in America and that its elected delegates be seated in the 1950 convention.

The recommendation was adopted by a rising vote.

The Rev. G. Morris Smith was recognized by the president.

Dr. Smith hailed the formation of the new Evangelical Lutheran Synod of New Jersey as a significant achievement in the sphere of Lutheran unity, representing, as he said, the merger of at least four historic elements in the life of the Lutheran Church in America. Dr. Smith remarked his joy in the fact that in the negotiations which produced the New Jersey Synod, the frequent deterrent to merger, namely loyalty to institutions, was not allowed to weigh unduly in the thought of those who did the planning.

The president invited the officers of the newly admitted synod to come to the platform. Dr. Fry greeted President Edwin H. Knudten and his colleagues.

The president requested the delegates of the New Jersey Synod to rise. The convention greeted the delegates with a round of applause.

The president requested the secretary to certify that the credentials of the delegates of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of New Jersey were in proper order. This certification was given. The president declared the delegation seated.

President Fry recognized Dr. Edwin H. Knudten, president of the New Jersey Synod, who addressed the convention. President Knudten declared that while the new synod led by him is the infant among the constituent synods of the ULCA, by an interesting paradox it was born having something of the maturity of the synods from which it stemmed; and that he hoped his synod would be able "to stand alongside of the other synods in doing the work of the Church."

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The president announced the appointment of the following special convention committees:

# SPECIAL COMMITTEES

## Committee on Report of the President

*Clergy*

Pflum, Henry J., Chairman
Goede, Henry
Heft, C. Donald
Homrighausen, Tom B.
Miller, J. Bender
Reaser, Paul L.
Renz, Paul J.
Romeis, Robert S.
Gieschen, G.
Trunk, Charles F., Jr.
Welchert, Werner P.
Whittecar, G. R.

*Lay*

Berhenke, Jasper
Downing, L. V.
Ebert, Sister Anna
Wagner, E. F.
Loa, J. A.
Mauney, W. K.
Nissly, Alvin R.

## Committee on Leave of Absence

*Clergy*

Jaxheimer, David G., Chairman
Caughman, Carl B.
Leisey, Elmer L.
Tilberg, Cedric W.

*Lay*

Bowman, Neal F.
Cummings, Robert
Eyler, Edgar P.
Hess, Walter E.

## Committee on Memorials from Constituent Synods

*Clergy*

Zeidler, Clemens H., Chairman
Albert, Harold R.
Becker, G.
Bock, Walter E.
Freed, W. B.
Johnson, Edwin J.
Little, George E.
Mauney, J. Luther
Moyer, William O.
Cline, W. P.
Rhoads, L. H.
Syre, R. R.

*Lay*

Carr, John W.
Hagan, Peter P.
Kraft, Nellis H.
Schust, Clarence L.
Sten, John A.
Weber, Mrs. Paul
Wieboldt, Gustav W. M.

## Committee of Reference and Counsel

*Clergy*

Wendt, Erwin
Belles, Alfred G.
Berkemeyer, William C.
Derrick, C. K.
Eller, William R.
Falkenstein, E. S.
Gaenzle, Russel S.
Leubin, William G.
Sawyer, John L.
Warfield, P. T.
Whetstone, John W.
Zimman, William C.

*Lay*

Kinard, James C., Chairman
Esser, Charles H.
Linsenmayer, John K.
Oberly, H. Sherman
Snyder, Harold C.
Thompson, Edward
Warner, C. H.

## Committee on Nominations

*Clergy*

Putman, Dwight F., Convener
Anderson, Lauri J.
Bagger, Henry H.

*Lay*

Drinhaus, Fred
Goos, E. J.
Isenhour, Harry E.

Baughman, Harry F.
Brandt, F. William
Lange, Melvin S.
Lotz, A. W.
Mahl, Herbert H.
Rahn, Earl F.
Rilling, John W.
Satre, Carl W.
Tambert, Carl V.
Young, Alfred W.

Konemann, Fred W.
Peterson, Clarence P.
Schultz, Carl

### Committee on Minutes of the Convention

*Clergy*

Erb, Earl S., Chairman
Berkheimer, George H.
Stuff, John C.

*Lay*

Krauss, H. F.

### Committee on Conduct of Elections

*Lay*

Doub, Virgil W., Chairman

*Group No. 1*

Cummings, Earl S., Subchairman
Arnesen, Alfred
Foltz, J. L.
Friedeman, Karl

Horn, John C.
Johnston, Leo S.
Leitzel, Paul
Sedler, Arthur W.

*Group No. 2*

Spalding, J. H., Subchairman
Ashford, Leonard
Harman, H. Odelle
Hunt, Roy S.

Reich, Otto
Menges, William H.
Smith, William M.
Swanson, Henry

*Group No. 3*

Breneman, LeRoy, Subchairman
Becker, Jacob E.
Greiner, Claude R.
Olson, Carl

Loa, J. A.
Walters, John G.
Whisnant, E. E.
Wright, Ralph F.

### Committee on Place of Next Convention

*Clergy*

Miley, George W., Chairman
Adamcik, Daniel J.
Beasom, James P., Jr.
Belter, R. R.
Bergbusch, J.
Bishop, Paul E.
Boldt, Frederick D.
Burns, Lyle C.
Busch, Gerard D.
Conrad, F. L.
Fafnis, E. H.
Fife, J. Frank
Fischer, E. E.
Frobenius, Reno R.
Hanes, F. M.
Himmelman, G. Lawrence

Kinard, Karl W.
Knubel, Frederick R.
Knudten, Edwin H.
Weeks, Thomas H.
Mauney, J. Luther
McGuire, Harmon J.
Putman, Dwight F.
Reble, J. H.
Schillinger, George W.
Schuldt, T. J. C.
Speaker, Lewis P.
Steinhoff, L. H.
White, Ralph J.
Whitteker, C. H.
Wolff, Harold A.
Wolff, Lorin J.
Yount, Royall A.

### Chaplain

Paul H. Roth

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The chair recognized the Rev. F. D. Boldt, president of the host synod, the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Iowa, who made a brief address of welcome and introduced for further remarks the chairman of the convention committee of the Iowa Synod, Attorney Alex M. Miller.

President Fry, on behalf of the convention, responded appropriately to the greetings of Dr. Boldt and Attorney Miller.

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The official copy of the minutes of the 1948 convention of the Church, duly signed by the president and the secretary was presented. The secretary announced that this copy of the minutes would be deposited in the archives of the Church immediately after the close of this convention.

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The president presented his report to the 17th biennial convention of the Church and indicated that in accordance with the regular procedure of the convention, the report was submitted to the convention's special Committee on Report of the President. (For committee's report and action thereon, see pp. 1064-1065.)

# REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

Fathers and Brethren:

The choice of my theme for the 1950 President's Report is an inevitable one: the interchurch relationships of The United Lutheran Church in America today. It is safe to say that, as we assemble here in Des Moines, this complex of issues is uppermost in most of our minds. More eyes are focused anxiously on these aspects of our church life than on any other. There is not a United Lutheran anywhere, pastor or layman, who ought not to be vitally concerned. The President would feel derelict in his duty if he were to adopt a more cautious course and remained silent.

A thorough discussion of interchurch relationships is plainly called for on many counts at this juncture in our history. The character of the biennium under review provides one convincing reason. These two years have bustled with almost constant developments along every external boundary of our Church. Some of these events have been momentous and others frustrating. All of them have had one quality in common: they have been heavily demanding.

### Along the Borders

Your officers have felt the weight of it—naturally! A far larger share of their time and vitality has been absorbed in negotiations on all the frontiers of our Church in 1949-1950 than has ever been demanded before. The Executive Board has also reflected this accelerated activity to an almost equal degree, as its voluminous report to this convention will clearly show. Under the pressure of events the studies and recommendations of its Committees on Inter-Lutheran Interests and Interdenominational Relationships have grown extraordinarily in importance. It is hard to realize that only four brief years have passed since they attained full stature as standing committees of the board, so central is the role which they have suddenly assumed.

The added fact that several of the gravest decisions at this 1950 convention will deal with these same questions is the crowning justification for this survey. As we meet here in the presence of the Holy Spirit, a whole array of interchurch issues of historic bulk and consequence will loom up across our path during these next eight days, ranging all the way from a Common Liturgy and Hymnal with many American Lutherans to possible membership in the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A. As every delegate ought to be humbly aware, they will require the utmost of consecrated and intelligent understanding from us all. It seems to be a part of God's providence in the mid-twentieth century that Christian churches everywhere are being compelled to make up their minds anew about their contacts with each other and their obligations for each other. This call comes imperatively to the United Lutheran Church in a double measure in October 1950.

### As One Watchman Sees

In order to avoid any misconceptions in advance, it may be discreet to remark quietly at once that the simple exploration of principles which lies ahead in the following paragraphs is not designed to supersede in any way the report of the Special Commission on Relations with American Lutheran Church bodies or the relevant sections of the report of the Executive Board. It is intended only as the President's highly personal and yet official commentary on the context in which our beloved Church finds itself in these eventful days.

### Relationships With Other Lutherans

First in our affections are always our brother Lutherans in North America and the United Lutheran Church's first concern rightly has to do with our relationships with them. Our Church was born with a prayer on its lips and a hope in its heart for Lutheran unity. Before our fathers composed even the first article of the United Lutheran Church's constitution, they had thrown wide their arms in an earnest invitation "to all Evangelical Lutheran congregations and synods in America, one with us in the faith." This longing has been reiterated memorably at Savannah in 1934 and repeatedly at later conventions. It still reigns in all our visions of the future.

The unwelcome truth, however, is that the prospects of any broad Lutheran merger including The United Lutheran Church in America are dim and discouraging in 1950. In spite of all the exertions of past decades and the premature optimism of early 1949, our hopes are likely to be deferred for many years to come and probably for a full generation.

### RETARDING FACTORS

The President believes that the most constructive contribution which he can make in the present half-impasse is to analyze candidly the basic factors which retard Lutheran church union as he sees those factors conscientiously in his own mind and heart. All accidentals in our American Lutheran situation, like divisive nationalistic loyalties and sociological traits arising out of different environments in North America, will be omitted deliberately from this diagnosis; also, any non-confessional variations in interpretations of doctrine which may exist. The sole intention behind this probing will be to lead all of us to look deeply and searchingly at fundamental failings which are shared in varying degrees by us all. Every reader has my word as a Christian that the comments which follow are not meant to be censorious or unfraternal. I offer this assurance in utter sincerity especially to any brethren of other Lutheran church bodies who may read this report.

If any comments strike home and are turned into criticisms by our own consciences, let us United Lutherans be the first to profit from them and amend our ways. If any new light dawns, may we be the promptest to walk in it.

### DEFECTIVE IN INWARD LONGING

1. The primary, subtle weakness which hampers all endeavors for Lutheran solidarity in North America is a **lack of zeal for the visible unity of Christ's Church.** Our American Lutheran commitment to this ideal is not fervent enough. Often we have been only feebly concerned and even tepid about it. This stricture was brought home gently but sternly to the President himself during the annual meeting of the Executive Committee of the Lutheran World Federation at Castle Hoekelum in the Netherlands in August 1948. It has remained indelibly stamped on my conscience ever since. That meeting occurred on the eve of the formation of the World Council of Churches and the committee was properly taking sober counsel together about every aspect of this new phenomenon. Many justified cautions and more reservations were being expressed, most of them by the writer. Then one of the wisest and most irenic churchmen present, Bishop Sandegren of the Tamil Church in India, spoke quietly. He said with a mild rebuke that although his mind consented to every hesitation that had been expressed, he felt that he detected a chill, a lack. Loyal Lutheran that he is, Bishop Sandegren went on to confess that he feared that this attitude is pervasive throughout all of Lutheranism. Our Church's theological convictions about church unity are formally correct; underneath them and frequently vitiating them is a coolness of spirit. We are in danger of being defective in inward longing. We Lutherans seldom feel ardent eagerness for Christian unity, almost never an ache in our hearts. Who can deny that our divergent synods in America share this malady to a serious degree?

### BURDEN OF PROOF

We need to realize anew that the burden of proof is always on Christians who advocate continued division in the Church of Christ, not on those who would disturb the status quo for the sake of unity. This does not mean that separateness is always or even usually unjustified. It does mean that the present broken front of Christian believers must never be accepted with complacency and above all never approved with relish or in a spirit of self-righteousness.

As long as there is a material disagreement in faith, we Lutherans must be apart from other Christians and even from each other. We believe, in the forthright words of Bishop Anders Nygren, President of the Lutheran World Federation, "The Gospel of God has a quite definite content, and one can speak truly of it in only one way . . . . Other churches can here be quite pliable and accommodating but our Lutheran Church has always known that when one is speaking of the Gospel, he cannot both say it thus and also say it another way." This negative side of our convictions has long been emphasized strongly among us, especially here in America. The pity is that in all our church bodies we have asserted it so often with contentiousness and without even a twinge of sorrow.

A heavier charge is laid on our consciences by the positive opposite which we have failed to stress equally. Christ's visible Church is ideally, even normally, one. The burden of proof is on those who consent to its continued divisions. The weight of this burden is immensely increased when the continued separateness is between Christians who believe and teach the same confessions.

Martin Luther counted it a grave thing to see a breach in the visible Church of God. He endured the sorrow of it only under the most flagrant provocation. Is it not equally grave to perpetuate divisions when they have ceased to have a warrant in essential, doctrinal fact? God give us a kindling zeal to end them!

### A Disparaging Inflection

2. Another damper on Lutheran consolidation in North America is **the chronic and widespread habit of many almost never to mention union except in contrast to unity, always to the sharp disparagement of the former.** One might almost think from their tone that the two concepts were antagonistic. Unity is exalted vis-a-vis church union so highly as to make any combining of synods at most a matter of indifference, and even to justify separatism. An influential voice recently declared plainly, "We must make a fundamental distinction between unity and union. Unity is a divinely imposed responsibility; union is a question of expediency. The end to be sought is not organizational unity but a union of hearts in Christ by the Holy Spirit." This view is so deeply ingrained that a sincerely respected staff officer of the National Lutheran Council has echoed in print, "Lutheran unity, not church union should be our aim."

### One and Indivisible

The coupling of these two worthy goals with any such inflection is greatly to be deplored. It is a false antithesis. Unity must always be paramount but union ought to be its organic result. To be complete, they must be vitally joined together. Granted the prior gift of community in faith, the power of the Holy Spirit in the Church will always strive also for a community of life and fellowship. It is not enough to confess that the spiritual Church of God, which the Holy Spirit founded, is essentially one. The outward, institutional structure which we also call by that holy name is His concern too. In its imperfect way, the visible Church represents the invisible Church in this world. The discrepancy between them is painfully apparent but we ought not to add to it by unnecessary disunion. One point at which we need to be more alert is in the implications of our speech.

One of the most blessed results of Lutheran World Action all around the earth is that our brethren in the faith in many lands have gained an increasing consciousness of Lutheran solidarity. Love's Working Arm has given a powerful impetus to Lutheran unity movements on three continents. This stimulus has been all the stronger because it was unpremeditated. It grew organically out of a common faith in common action. We American Lutherans above all should gain new light on Church union and a new appreciation of it as an emerging act of God from this epochal experience. O Lord, set a watch over our mouths and keep the door of our lips.

### Search the Scriptures

3. In all our thinking about Lutheran union, **we should search the Scriptures discriminatingly.** In many men's approach to this issue, there has been an almost

intentional avoidance of what the Bible says. Their reasoning is declarative and direct: Church bodies are human devices. They are only optional, temporal arrangements. It is impossible to find Scripture passages, several observers have reminded us, to which one can point and say with confidence, "There God commands Lutheran general bodies to unite." But can the relevance of the inspired Word to this question be dismissed as simply as that?

When St. Paul exhorts the Christians in Ephesus to endeavor "to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace," he sees the unity of that primitive congregation as originating with the Holy Spirit. Any breach of it would be an offense against Him. He was the One who had drawn them into one body of which He was the one Spirit. The unity which He created was the basis in fact for their walking in lowliness and meekness. Christian long-suffering and forbearance were to be its godly results. The Holy Spirit had called them in one hope of their calling to worship one Lord, to embody one faith and to receive one baptism. Who can maintain that such unity ought not to exist and be manifested in our outward congregation of congregations? Can anyone contend that this unity ought not to be visible in the visible Church?

Similarly, although many reverent students of the Scriptures among us have been troubled at the artificial way in which John 17:21-23 has been overstrained by extremists, dare we say that the Saviour's prayer "that they all may be one" has nothing to do with our American Lutheran situation? Remember, the unity for which the Son besought the Father was clearly to be a unity which would be apparent to all men. Its purpose was "that the world may know that Thou has sent me." Before the world can know, it must see. That is the nature of the world's stubborn, spiritual blindness. How will unredeemed men behold our testimony to their redeeming Lord with their physical eyes except through a visible unity based on a whole-souled unity in faith? This one Lutheran believer knows no equally effective way.

### A CONTRITE HEART, O GOD, THOU WILT NOT DESPISE

4. The sad disunity of American Lutheranism should awaken in all of us **the spirit of contrition.** One of the most disturbing traits in our inner life is that this is so seldom evident. Instead, our separate church bodies typically assume a defensive posture whenever the question of church union is broached. The instinctive mood in every quarter is one of self-justification and a readiness to exonerate ourselves rather than to search our own hearts. Brethren, this ought not to be! In spite of the constant protestations that we all desire and seek Lutheran unity, the sense of having to give an accounting to God for its long delay is altogether too rare. Penitence is as becoming in a Christian church as in a Christian individual. The day is overdue when we American Lutherans ought to feel twinges in our consciences about our persistent divisions.

Such a devout contrition will deter us, as we ought to be deterred, from lightly laying off the responsibility for further postponements of our unification on God Himself. As Christian disciples saved by His grace, we have the inexpressible privilege of laying off our guilt on Him—but not our responsibility! Am I alone in feeling that far too many of us have unconsciously made this attempt in the past? The monotonously recurring assertion that Lutheran unity will come in God's good time is an instance in point. We must wait until God's hour strikes. The implication is that he is doing the delaying. Isn't this a too bold and self-assured, almost presumptuous, use of the name of God? Doesn't it identify God too confidently with our existing alignments? Just because we have settled down in them contentedly does not mean that He is content. In the frequent references to a God-pleasing union which Lutherans must approach with a maximum of deliberateness, we ought never to forget that there may be God-displeasing disunion which we are in danger of perpetuating.

### SELF-MUFFLED WITNESS

Contrition ought to rise in us, too, at the serious way in which our American Lutheran habit of living in fractions enfeebles our witness to our fellow-men in these fluid and frightened days. Far off future unity, a generation or more away, can never repair that loss. No secular crisis ought ever to stampede churches into a compromise of their essential faith for the sake of mere artificial, outward combinations. A deceptive solidarity of that type would prove to be only an empty facade. True strength is not obtained and the true God is not rightly served by such maneuvers. But when long-separated forces of Christians are already one in their allegiance to common confessions as we American Lutherans are, we ought not to deprive a hard-pressed generation of our united confession. In prolonging synodical divisions which blur and weaken the voice of our Gospel, we take a sobering burden on ourselves. Like all the rest of the King's business, Lutheran unity demands haste for the good of the millions within the sound of our voices.

### More Aware of Each Other

5. One familiar and formidable obstacle from former years, thank God, is visibly crumbling under the pressure of events and of the Holy Spirit. It is **complacency.** The old days when each segment of Lutheranism lived smugly within its own boundaries are permanently gone. The once common inclination of each independent unit to identify itself in practice, if not in theory, with the whole Lutheran Church in America has perceptibly decreased. We are even becoming less preoccupied with the motes in each other's eyes. That is a gratifying advance. A communion like the Lutheran Church which is staunchly conservative in doctrine is strongly tempted to be equally inflexible in its organized life. The subtle swing of thought between these two realms is likely to carry even the most consecrated men from one to the other unawares.

This is particularly true when synodical barriers are heightened by nationalism. No other combination of factors is so apt to produce complacency as piety plus patriotism. Since all American Lutheran church bodies, including our own, arose originally out of distinctive European blood strains, this tendency is one to which we have all been prone. In the face of such major adverse influences the fact that old attitudes of self-sufficiency are clearly beginning to wane is genuinely creditable.

### New Rebuff Discouraging

At the same time, it would be misleading to pretend that this set of mind has wholly disappeared. The reluctance of much of American Lutheranism to take even a small half-step forward by agreeing to transform the National Lutheran Council into a Lutheran federation with narrowly restricted powers, is a symptom of the strong hesitations which still remain. The outspoken reasons for opposition to this proposal, namely, that it involves little more than formalizing a fact which already exists, are especially discouraging. The yearning for a united Lutheranism in America still faces a deeply entrenched attitude of reserve which is not likely to be overcome for many years.

In the meantime we American Lutherans, in our homogeneous synods, will continue to have a besetting peril. It is the disposition to equate one cherished set of religious habits, a single spiritual coloration, with the universal Gospel and the eternal Church. We shall have to resist the temptation to demand identity not only in doctrinal convictions but in manifestations of piety and inherited customs. May God give us that grace!

### A Calculating Spirit

6. Embarrassing as it is, a frank and complete analysis like this cannot end without admitting that **prudential motives** also play a part in retarding Lutheran union. These motives are usually silent, hidden, invisible particularly to the persons who are influenced by them. But they are still almost insuperable impediments. They often exert a more tenacious influence over us than nobler considerations, just because we are so intensely human.

No sooner is a merger proposed, either an inclusive one or an exclusive one, than a calculating spirit can be depended upon to rear its head both in official church papers and in private conversations. Will the projected new church body represent a loss or a gain for our own synod? nearly everyone will immediately ask. An appraising attitude will glint out through unintentional accents in men's speech and in the arrangement of their thoughts when they write. It would be illuminating—and depressing—to discover exactly which concerns some synods would cling to in preference to union, or even to list the points at which others would feel an impulse to demur or hesitate.

### CHRIST'S CHURCH OR OURS?

Many individuals would do so simply out of a blend of weariness, timidity and an instinctive preference for comfortable old ways and time-hallowed associations. It is cozier to live with intimate lifelong friends—even in Christ's Church. Some small synods would feel a surge of conflicting emotions. On the one hand, they would intuitively recoil from bigness out of a subconscious dread of being swallowed up, and at the same time they would be attracted by the larger supporting constituency for their institutions that a merger would produce. Larger church bodies would be more likely to have an unspoken but determined reservation in the backs of their minds about the form of church government which the new united church should adopt. All in all, it is a disappointing commentary on American Lutherans' zeal for unity to see the comparative triviality of some of the interests which are allowed to weigh heavily against it.

A spreading good will in the years ahead will aid American Lutherans to surmount these passive but persistent deterrents eventually. My prayer is that "eventually" may not be too late for a unified Lutheran Church in North America to exert a formative influence on this continent. To that end, all of us American Lutherans should pledge a more upright and downright and outright commitment to the ideal of unity "in this our day." Above all, we need to be scrupulously sincere.

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This survey has not been a critique of others. It has been a chastened examination of the present state of health of all of American Lutheranism, including the United Lutheran Church, in terms of one of its most sensitive indicators. If anyone leaves these paragraphs with a sense of resentment, he has basically misinterpreted their spirit. If he feels a sense of disappointment, he has read the diagnosis correctly. If he is stimulated to purify and improve his own approach to Lutheran unity, this section of the President's Report will have achieved its aim.

## Relationships With Other Evangelical Christians

By a strange historical coincidence, the biennium 1948-1950, which ends with the United Lutheran Church's inter-Lutheran relationships at such a disappointing standstill, has simultaneously been marked with notable developments in the wider field of our dealings with other evangelical Christians. The proposals of the Executive Board in favor of our Church's membership in the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A. reveal the far-reaching character of the studies and conversations which have taken place. None of us United Lutherans would have chosen the present order of events. Our strong preference would have been for the ranks of American Lutheranism to have closed into a solid phalanx first, with our position vis-a-vis the rest of Protestantism to be determined later. Unhappily this more desirable procedure has been denied to us. The question which confronts this 1950 convention is: Shall the United Lutheran Church take the step toward Christian co-operation which is possible today?

The President believes that the issue of membership in the National Council of Churches should be viewed strictly on its own merits. Any admixture of other considerations with it will inevitably becloud and confuse our judgment. In this conviction he asks the privilege of laying down a few basic theses.

### TWO UNVARYING PRINCIPLES

1. The co-operation of the United Lutheran Church with other Protestants always ought to rest on **sound and elemental principles**, never on mere expedi-

ency. Our Church has steadily held this ground and it must never deviate from it. If we ever do so, we shall forfeit our heritage and our consistency. From the earliest years of our Church, two criteria have governed all decisions regarding any working partnership or formal association with other Protestants: the evangelical principle and the representative principle. Both are as valid and timely today as at any time in the past three decades.

a) The Washington Declaration of 1920 enunciated the **evangelical principle** in clear and ringing words which have embodied the true spirit and unchanging policy of our Church ever since. Speaking impressively on the subject of "co-operative movements among the Protestant Churches," the United Lutheran Church solemnly declared as early as its second convention: "That it is our earnest desire to co-operate with other Church Bodies in all such works as can be regarded as works of serving love, through which the faith of Christians finds expression; provided, that such co-operation does not involve the surrender of our interpretation of the Gospel, the denial of conviction, or the suppression of our testimony to what we hold to be the truth."

The Declaration continues, "We cannot enter into any co-operative movement or organization which denies any of the doctrines or principles" which had been defined in earlier passages as essential to the faith. Furthermore, "Our attitude toward any such organization or movement must be determined by a consideration of . . . . (c) The effect which our participation will produce upon the independent position of our Church as a witness to the truth of the Gospel which we confess."

### GUARDING THE FAITH

In its commentary upon relations with the Federal Council of Churches, the Executive Board's report to the 1922 convention (1922 minutes, p. 85) gave even sharper clarity and distinctness to the evangelical principle when it wrote:

"The United Lutheran Church cannot authorize any relationship on the part of Synods, Boards, pastors, congregations or societies which would compromise loyalty to its confessional position or imply any abatement of its jealous guardianship of the faith. The Executive Board believes that to co-operate in good faith with others in any organization which purposely works with eyes closed to confessional differences, would necessarily involve in practice that which would amount to 'the surrender of our interpretation of the Gospel, the denial of conviction, or the suppression of our testimony to what we hold to be the truth.'"

In practice over the years, this evangelical principle has meant as a minimum that the United Lutheran Church has been willing to enter into official connection only with such interdenominational agencies as are composed exclusively of evangelical churches. Although this policy has frequently been misunderstood as ungracious and over-rigid by others, the United Lutheran Church has held to it unvaryingly.

### WITH EVANGELICALS ALONE

Friendly pressure has repeatedly been exerted upon the leaders of our Church to overlook the presence of a few "harmless" non-evangelicals in a given interchurch group or even to be content because recognized evangelicals were in an overwhelming majority. In reply we have patiently explained that a compromise on any such basis would by-pass the principle involved. Principles are simply not determined by a show of hands or by counting a majority or minority on a membership roll.

The fact that sister denominations do not insist on any similar standard has complicated our position. It has repeatedly made our inflexibility all the more embarrassing. This has been particularly true when no non-evangelicals have actually been received as yet into the group under consideration but the United Lutheran Church has still hesitated because their membership has not been explicitly excluded in the agency's constitution. Knowing the looseness that is always lying at the door of every American interdenominational body, our Church has regularly held back from full affiliation under those circumstances, feeling that our principles would be in constant jeopardy. We are convinced that anything less than such a stand would endanger our consistency and eventually dilute our testimony. The United Lutheran Church remains firm in the evangelical principle.

### CHURCH MUST MEET CHURCH

b) Ever since 1922 our Church has also applied another searching test to every proposed interdenominational relationship, which we commonly call the **representative principle.** In fact, we have advocated this second criterion with such courteous tenacity that the name of the United Lutheran Church has become almost synonymous with it both in America and abroad, thanks especially to the wise churchmanship of President F. H. Knubel. His strong influence in this matter has made a wholesome and lasting impression upon councils of churches on every level. Many Protestant leaders gratefully acknowledge the indebtedness of the whole ecumenical movement to him and to our Church under his leadership at this essential point.

The same report of the Executive Board to the Buffalo convention, which was quoted above, is still a true guide for us in 1950, when it declared:

"All representatives of agencies of the United Lutheran Church are urged to do their utmost so that the representative principle be strongly maintained in all co-operative organizations. This applies to the tendency at present in such organizations themselves to add to the representatives of denominations increasing numbers of individuals, under various designations as members (co-opted, at large, corresponding, advisory, affiliated, etc.) and with varying powers."

This rule of action was immediately applied to the interdenominational contacts of the Parish and Church School Board in the following clear-cut direction: "In any relationships established, the representatives of the Parish and Church School Board are to understand that the representative principle must be maintained in co-operative organizations and that co-operation on the part of the Parish and Church School Board shall depend upon the maintenance of this representative principle." The same injunction has, of course, been laid upon every other agency of the United Lutheran Church from that day until this.

### REPRESENTATIVES WHO REPRESENT

Our Church believes and contends that the official representatives of churches should never be expected to sit on a parity in interdenominational associations with individuals who represent only themselves or at most organizations which are less than churches. One of the most vitiating weaknesses in many so-called councils of churches is found right there. They are not truly councils of churches at all because a vocal and influential fraction of their membership cannot rightly claim to speak for any church at all. This anomaly is widespread and persistent to this day. Before the United Lutheran Church raised its voice forcefully against this practice, it went almost unchallenged.

The fundamental malady behind the habit of co-opting members in interdenominational groups is the gravely disturbing carelessness which it manifests about the doctrine of the Church. Until recently it sometimes seemed as if many of our Protestant colleagues were almost unaware of the distinction between a church and a council or agency. That obliviousness in itself must arouse our anxiety. As long as it exists, it will impair true inter-church co-operation.

In all negotiations with the Planning Committee of the National Council of Churches, your officers and the Executive Board have upheld these two basic concepts without any sacrifice of principle and without any yielding. The proposals before this convention regarding membership in the new, merged National Council must be judged according to these standards exactly as the previous relationships of several of our boards and auxiliaries to its component parts have been judged in the past.

### READY TO FOLLOW

2. As surely as we accept the basic premise that the co-operation of our Church with other evangelical Christians ought to be guided entirely by solid and unchang-

ing principles, there is a necessary corolary. It is this: **The United Lutheran Church must be prepared to go where these correct principles lead.** That is such an obvious implication that one hesitates to spell it out for fear of appearing pedantic. My only justification in sounding this caution is that some of us will be tempted not to do so. That is a bold and candid statement but everyone will recognize instantly that it is true of others and ought to suspect also that it may be equally true of himself. The odd part is that consecrated and intelligent men with diametrically opposed opinions will find themselves exposed to the same peril.

The common danger which besets all of us is a temptation to try to lead these vital principles to the conclusions which we have prejudged as desirable, rather than to allow the principles to lead us. A minority may be so strongly predisposed in favor of the United Lutheran Church joining the National Council of Churches that it subconsciously adheres to these principles only because it expects them to lead to that result. Some delegates with this view may even be inwardly distrustful of our Church's standards until they are sure that the outcome will be the one that they desire. Another minority may find upon self-examination that it has approved and applauded these principles in the past only because they have led to separation from other Protestants. Such men will feel an impulse to raise a complaint if that direction is reversed.

As this convention faces the momentous decision before it, loyal United Lutherans in the spirit of our Church should be mentally, emotionally and spiritually prepared to go where its true principles guide —wherever that may be.

### No Conscious "Broadening"

3. Conscientious delegates will seriously examine the recommendations of the Executive Board concerning the National Council of Churches in this light and in this spirit. In that process many questions will rise in all minds.

a) In what respects does this proposal consciously represent the reversal, or even the "broadening," of the past policies of our Church? As one who has taken part in all the conversations with the representatives of the Planning Committee of the National Council of Churches as well as in all meetings of the Executive Board where this issue has been discussed with minute thoroughness, the President can honestly answer, None at all. The significant change from the past, as he sees it, is to be found in a new willingness on the part of our fellow-evangelical Christians to recognize the principles of the United Lutheran Church even to the extent of remoulding almost every article of the constitution of the National Council of Churches in accordance with them, rather than in any abandonment of our principles by our Church itself. Every delegate will have the responsibility of satisfying himself as to the accuracy of this judgment by a careful study of the full documents which are being laid before this convention. It will be a total misconception for anyone to interpret this proposed action as an intentional break with the historic position of our Church.

### *A Fortiori* Reasoning Faulty

b) Has the United Lutheran Church been inconsistent in belonging to the World Council of Churches and still showing hesitancy about membership in the National Council of Churches, and even more so about relationships with state and local councils of churches? The reply of this one man is simply, No. Occasional observers outside our Church have audibly expressed perplexity at the readiness of the United Lutheran Church to associate with others on the world plane while still holding back on the "local level." If the character and constitution of the World Council were identical with the character and constitution of its counterparts in the United States and Canada, in the separate states and provinces, and in individual localities, we would be guilty. But that is not so. The truth is that our Church's principles are much more congenial to the churches in Europe than to our nearer neighbors. The whole body of world Protestantism and Orthodoxy feels much more of an immediate and natural affinity with our position than its North American segment does. The logic and conviction which persuaded the United Lutheran Church to enter the World Council of Churches will extend validly to national, state and local councils only when the resemblance is convincing and close.

### No *Carte Blanche* APPROVAL OF STATE COUNCILS

c) If the United Lutheran Church assumes membership in the National Council of Churches, will this action give *carte blanche* approval to constituent synods to join state councils regardless of their evangelical or representative character? Again, as you would anticipate from the preceding paragraphs, the answer is, No. Indiscriminate affiliation like that would be a complete negation of everything that the spokesmen for the United Lutheran Church have upheld in relation to the National Council of Churches. As all of us ought to remember, the outstanding feature of these negotiations is not their result but the United Lutheran Church's steadfast adherence to consistent principles from beginning to end. If the day is past when Lutherans should reject inter-church cooperation automatically, the day must never come when we deny our faith by entering into a working partnership in any sphere without exercising a penetrating discrimination.

The entrance, if it happens, of our Church into the National Council of Churches will not relieve any synod or congregation of the strict duty of judging every additional interdenominational relationship with equal scrupulousness. Superficial reasoning from "top to bottom," from the National Council of Churches to state units, will not justify the affiliation of any synod with a regional interdenominational council. As each is examined on its own merits, it will be seen at once that some are far more compatible with our standards than others. At present most state councils are looser in practice in both essentials, the evangelical and representative principles, than the National Council of Churches.

The attention of all is earnestly called to the fact that no decision of this convention, either for or against association with the National Council, will abrogate Article VIII, Section 1, of the constitution of the United Lutheran Church: "To secure uniform and consistent practice, no Synod, Conference or Board, or any official representative thereof, shall have power of independent affiliation with general organizations and movements."

### NO TRIAL BY EPITHET

d) Is this attitude on the part of the United Lutheran Church "ecumenical"? As one who has undeservedly been elevated to a central role in the world-wide Christian movement of that name, the President answers unqualifiedly, Yes. True ecumenicity does not consist in ignoring profound Christological differences, in slurring over the faith or in reducing the dignity of the Church. The right way to evangelical Christian unity will not lie through dilution of all confessions into a colorless solution. The World Council of Churches openly acknowledges and proclaims this fact. Its Central Committee affirmed it most recently and impressively during this past summer in its clear-headed statement on "The Church, The Churches and The World Council of Churches."

In channelling straight thinking to straight conclusions, we must not allow ourselves to be intimidated or charmed by any word, not even by "ecumenical." Calling every interdenominational contact by this widely used and abused adjective does not make it sacrosanct. The United Lutheran Church will continue to make its most distinctive and immense contribution to ecumenicity by adhering staunchily to its principles.

### EVERYBODY'S RESPONSIBILITY

e) Whose concern is it whether the United Lutheran Church joins the National Council of Churches or not? The obvious and yet necessary reply is, Everyone's. The fact that a portion of our Church's constituency consists of Canadians ought not to lessen their intense interest in this issue or excuse them from voting their convictions about it. Under the constitution of the United Lutheran Church, all external relationships are the responsibility of the Church-at-large, of which the convention is the supreme authority. No delegate can waive this duty. Our principles are the common and equal possession of us all and we must show a common and equal resoluteness in upholding them.

### SIGNAL FOR RE-EXAMINATION

4. For the sake of final and complete clearness in everybody's mind, three **possible, mistaken deductions** may need to be guarded against.

a) The participation of our Church in the National Council of Churches, as has been plainly stated already, would not give an implicit sanction to synods or congregations to affiliate themselves with state and local councils. What it ought to prompt them to do is twofold. Affirmative action by this convention ought to be a signal for the re-examination of all existing inter-church connections on every level. The implication is not by any means that all of them ought to be "liberalized." It is highly probable that some present relationships ought to be suspended or strongly modified because they do not square with our evangelical and representative principles.

Whenever a synod or congregation explores any new interdenominational contact in the future, the United Lutheran conferees ought to be spurred by the example which the Church-at-large has set in its dealings with the National Council of Churches. They should strive with vigor to effect a similar transformation in state or local councils of churches by insisting courteously and firmly upon our Church's standards.

### COMITY NOT IMPLIED

b) Even though the Church-as-whole joins the National Council, this step must definitely not be construed as an official endorsement of comity on any plane. By comity, in this technical sense, is meant a mutual agreement among several denominations to divide a city or a county, district by district, among themselves. All churches in such a comity pact renounce their rights and Christian responsibility to establish or relocate congregations in territory "assigned" to another.

The position of the United Lutheran Church on this question needs to be plain and distinct to everybody, and particularly to ourselves. Although our Church deplores the seeming antagonism and the actual wastefulness which are to be found in many "over-churched" communities as heartily as anyone else, we can not participate in formal comity arrangements. We hope that all our brethren will understand that this settled conviction does not reflect an unbrotherly mood. It rises straight from conscience.

### AN EQUALS SIGN

When denominations accept comity among themselves anywhere, each one of them in effect makes a public declaration that the others possess and teach the Gospel in such purity and completeness that its own communicants moving into the comity areas will find the churches doctrinally interchangeable. A denomination cannot agree officially to leave its believers to the care of another communion under any other assumption. Its willingness must always rest upon the premise that the teaching of the Word of God and the administration of the Sacraments which its members will receive in their new congregational connection will be equally adequate for their souls.

To our joy, we Lutherans of the National Lutheran Council have reached this lofty height of doctrinal unity among ourselves. In the operation of the regional home mission committees of the Council, all eight sister church bodies confess publicly that they are substantially identical in faith. This is still conspicuously not true of the United Lutheran Church as compared with other Protestants. The bare acknowledgment of Jesus Christ as Divine Lord and Saviour in the preamble of the constitution of the National Council of Churches may be a sufficient minimum for the kind of restricted co-operation for limited objectives which is proposed in the National Council, but no consistent Lutheran can be satisfied with it as the basis for comity.

If this inescapable conclusion is explained to our brother evangelical Christians in a conciliatory and cordial spirit, it will be sympathetically received.

### Where the Word is Rightly Preached

c) Our age-old Lutheran principles regarding common worship with other Christians will obviously not be repealed by the proposal of membership in the National Council of Churches. How irrational it would be to protect our people from being exposed to a strange Gospel in mission districts and at the same time to throw the flood-gates wide open in our established congregations! The forthright admonition of the 1940 convention of our Church will still stand unaltered no matter what the verdict of this convention will be:

"Pastors and Congregations shall not practice indiscriminate pulpit and altar fellowship with pastors and churches of other denominations, whereby doctrinal differences are ignored or virtually made matters of indifference. Especially shall no religious fellowship whatsoever be practiced with such individuals and groups as are not basically evangelical."

In this connection, one amendment to the constitution of the National Council which our negotiators insisted upon with success is especially eloquent and welcome. It consisted simply of the striking out of the adjective "devotional" from the fourth "object" of the Council, which previously read: "To encourage devotional fellowship and mutual counsel concerning the spiritual life and religious activities of the Churches." The prior draft of the constitution had seemed to permit the National Council to foster mixed worship on an unselective basis; the revised draft does not do so.

### The Soul of Our Church

5. The steady, guiding star above every decision of the United Lutheran Church in all its approaches to others outside our fellowship must be the star of **testimony.** May all of us follow the Holy Spirit's leading reverently, with erect heads and obedient hearts! Frequently our Church will give its most effective witness to Christ by infusing its virile faith into the whole stream of evangelical Christian life in the United States and Canada. On other occasions, we hope less and less often, our Church will be constrained either to abstain or even to withdraw from co-operation in order to preserve the purity of its faith. Our trumpet must never give an uncertain sound. At all times the redeeming and risen Christ alone, the Eternal Son of God, must be our all in all.

My fervent prayer is that in all its relationships the United Lutheran Church will walk worthy of the calling wherewith it is called.

Franklin Clark Fry

The Report of the President was submitted to the Convention's Committee on the Report of the President for study and report at the morning session, Thursday, October 12, see pp. 1064, 1065.

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President Fry declared that the next order of business was the election of a president, and called upon the chairman of the Committee on Conduct of Elections, Mr. Virgil W. Doub, to distribute blanks for casting the first ballot for president. The ballots were distributed.

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The president called for the presentation of the secretary's report.

# REPORT OF THE SECRETARY

### 1. Amendments to Constitution of The United Lutheran Church in America

The 1948 convention of the Church, by the constitutionally required two-thirds vote (U.L.C.A. Constitution, Artice XV, Section 2) approved for submission to the then thirty-two constituent synods amendments to three Articles of the Constitution of the Church, as follows:

(a) *Concerning Commission of Adjudication*

Article XII. Commission of Adjudication

Section 1: Substitute the following for the present Section 1 of Article XII: (1948 Minutes, pp. 319, 344)

> "*Section 1.* A Commission of Adjudication shall be established to which shall be referred, for interpretation and decision ,all disputed questions of doctrine and practice. The Commission shall constitute a court for the decision of those questions of principle or action which arise within The United Lutheran Church in America and which are properly referred to it by resolution OF THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA OR BY RESOLUTION of any of the synods. ANY CONVENTION OF THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA OR OF ANY SYNOD, WHICH HAS PROPERLY REFERRED ANY QUESTION TO THE COMMISSION, MAY COMMIT TO ITS OWN AD INTERIM EXECUTIVE BODY THE PRECISE AND FORMAL STATEMENT OF SUCH QUESTION. SUCH EXECUTIVE BODY MAY ALSO, FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA, OR FOR AND ON BEHALF OF ITS SYNOD, MAKE DIRECT AND APPROPRIATE REFERENCE TO THE COMMISSION OF ADJUDICATION OF ANY JUDICABLE QUESTION WHICH HAS ARISEN AFTER THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE LATEST CONVENTION OF THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA OR OF ITS SYNOD AND WHICH DEMANDS PROMPT ADJUDICATION."

Section 3: Substitute the following for the present Section 3 of Article XII: (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 768)

> "*Section 3.* The Commission shall elect its own officers, and shall meet at least ANNUALLY for the transaction of business. When it holds meetings, or renders decision, due notice of the time and place of meeting shall be given by its secretary to all persons interested, and notice of the time and place of SUCH meetings shall be published in the OFFICIAL Church papers."

Thirty-two synods have certified to the secretary their ratification of these amendments. Upon declaration by the president that these amendments have been ratified by the required two-thirds of the constituent synods, they will be in force.

(b) *Concerning Boards*

Article XIII. Boards

Section 2: Strike the period at the end of the first sentence thereof and insert a comma in its place, and add to the sentence the following words: "except that, of the number to be elected to the Board of Pensions and Relief each biennium, two of the lay members thereof shall be nominated and elected by the Executive Board of the Church." Section 2, after amendment, would read as follows: (1948 Minutes, pp. 756, 757)

> "*Section 2.* All members of boards shall be elected by The United Lutheran Church in America EXCEPT THAT, OF THE NUMBER TO BE ELECTED TO THE BOARD OF PENSIONS AND RELIEF EACH BIENNIUM, TWO OF THE LAY MEMBERS THEREOF SHALL BE NOMINATED AND ELECTED BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE CHURCH. Vacancies occurring in any board ad interim shall be filled by the Executive Board of the Church on nomination of the board in which the vacancy exists. No person shall be a member of more than one board at one and the same time. No member of any board, including the Executive Board, shall be a member of the Commission of Adjudication; but the President of the United Lutheran Church shall at all times have a seat and a voice in all the boards and in the Commission of Adjudication."

Thirty-two synods have certified to the secretary their ratification of this amendment. Upon declaration by the president that the amendment, has been ratified by the required two-thirds of the constituent synods, it will be in force.

(c) *Concerning Affiliated Churches*

Article XV. Affiliated Churches

Add the following new Article XV to the Constitution and renumber the present Article XV as Article XVI: (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 112, 336)

> *Article XV Affiliated Churches*
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> "*Section 1.* Any Evangelical Lutheran Church which has been fostered by the Board of Foreign Missions of The United Lutheran Church in America, and which has accepted this Constitution with its Doctrinal Basis as set forth in Article II, and whose constitution has been approved by the Executive Board, may be received into relationship with The United Lutheran Church in America as an Affiliated Church by a majority vote at any regular convention.
>
> "*Section 2.* Each Affiliated Church shall be entitled to representation at the conventions of The United Lutheran Church in America by two representatives chosen in such manner as the constitution of the Affiliated Church may specify. These representatives shall be entitled to seat and voice but shall have no vote in the conventions of The United Lutheran Church in America.
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> "*Section 3.* (a) Affiliated churches shall welcome and receive the counsel of The United Lutheran Church in America as such counsel is offered to them through the United Lutheran Church in convention assembled, the Executive Board, or the Board of Foreign Missions.
>
> "(b) The United Lutheran Church in America shall manifest interest and solicitude in the life and development of the Affiliated churches with concern for their special problems, aspirations and needs."

Thirty-two synods have certified to the secretary their ratification of this amendment. Upon declaration by the president that the amendment, has been ratified by the required two-thirds of the constituent synods, it will be in force.

NOTE: An amendment to the U.L.C.A. Constitution, Article XV, Affiliated Churches (above), is being proposed to this convention by the Board of Foreign Missions. See its Recommendation No. 1.

**2. Memorials**

The following memorials have been certified to the secretary of the Church by the secretaries of several synods for submission to this convention of the Church:

FROM THE CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA SYNOD—*Adopted May 25, 1949*

(1) "That the Central Pennsylvania Synod memorialize The United Lutheran Church in America that at future Conventions of the U.L.C.A. all special appeals shall receive final approval only at the time of adoption of the total budget, and that all approved special appeals shall be included under the heading, Part II, of the total budget."

(2) "That the Central Pennsylvania Synod memorialize The United Lutheran Church in America to direct the Board of American Missions to seek out those established churches which might find it possible to assist financially in supporting new missions by direct gifts or by loans from endowment funds and seek out those churches whose pastors might assist in the establishment of chapel churches in developing communities."

*Adopted May 25, 1950*

(3) "That the Central Pennsylvania Synod memorialize The United Lutheran Church in America that the Board of Pensions and Relief be requested to devise ways and means by which the minimum pension may be raised to $1,200.00."

FROM THE NEW YORK SYNOD—*Adopted June 8, 1950*

(1) "In view of the fact that The United Lutheran Church in America has given no clear definition of the Office of the Ministry for the guidance of its synods and in the light of the conflicting and the confusing positions which its various synods have taken upon this matter, be it therefore RESOLVED, That Synod memorialize The United Lutheran Church in America to give special study to this issue through a commission of seven appointed by the president, and to present

a clear definition of the Office of the Ministry for the guidance of the Church in the light of our truest Evangelical Christian thought."

(2) "That the Synod memorialize the U.L.C.A. to request its Board of Pensions and Relief to devise ways and means whereby a minimum annual pension of $600.00 might be guaranteed retired ministers."

FROM THE OHIO SYNOD—*Adopted May 2, 1949*

"That the Synod of Ohio request The United Lutheran Church in America to authorize a restudy of the whole problem of youth work within our church, especially in relation to its support, scope, and relationship to the various boards and agencies of the church."

NOTE: Correspondence between the officers of the Ohio Synod and the secretary of the Church has established the fact that the Ohio Synod desires that this request be considered as a *Memorial* to the 1950 Convention.

FROM THE MINISTERIUM OF PENNSYLVANIA—*Adopted May 22-25, 1950*

(1) "That Synod memorialize The United Lutheran Church in America to make available to all congregations and pastors a comprehensive, and, if possible, classified summary of all its rules, regulations, recommendations, and resolutions now in force, pertaining to the pastor and congregation, thus promoting a greater uniformity in pastoral and parish practice throughout the church."

(2) "That the newly formed Radio Committee of the U.L.C.A.'s Executive Board be urged to investigate the possibilities of some kind of U.L.C.A. radio program of national scope."

(3) "That the Ministerum of Pennsylvania memorialize the United Lutheran Church to formulate and declare a church policy and pastoral procedures with reference to the problem of mixed marriages."

FROM THE WARTBURG SYNOD—*Adopted June 1, 1950*

"Inasmuch as The United Lutheran Church in America has always believed that the ultimate authority is vested in its constituent synods and congregations, the Wartburg Synod memorialized The United Lutheran Church in America to effect that membership in the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A. be referred for study and approval or disapproval of the constituent synods of The United Lutheran Church in America before actual entry of The United Lutheran Church in America into the proposed National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A."

These memorials have been placed in the hands of the chairman of the Committee on Memorials, who, with his committee will frame and recommend to the convention appropriate replies.

**3. Church House Management**

By the close of 1950 the National Lutheran Council hopes to vacate its offices on the fourth floor of the Lutheran Church House and move to its new headquarters in 50 Madison Avenue. The space made available by this move will allow for some necessary expansion of several of the boards and agencies now maintaining offices in the Church House, and will provide office space for the new Department of Church Architecture. Practically every operation in the U.L.C.A. headquarters building is now cramped for space. There is some likelihood that within the coming biennium extensive remodeling and perhaps some enlargement of our New York buildings will have to take place.

Real estate values throughout the Murray Hill area, in which our Church House stands, have appreciated greatly within the biennium under review. Attractive and well built office and apartment buildings are being erected all about us . The many visitors who call at our offices are pleased to find their Church's international headquarters situated so favorably. They also like the noncommercial atmosphere of our building.

The Office Service Department continues its effectiveness in unifying mailing and mimeographing procedures and in dispatching the mails. This Department has established, under the informed direction of Comptroller Carl A. Warden, a purchasing arrangement whose financial and operational benefit to all occupants of the Church House is steadily increasing.

As the report of the treasurer of the Church indicates, it has been possible for us to make annual allocations to the Depreciation Reserve Fund of the Lutheran Church House. This is one indication that the management is keeping expenditures well within its fixed income from maintenance contributions. The aid of the Board of Publication in the gradual liquidation of the capital indebtedness on the Church House helps greatly toward keeping the Church House operation in the good state of financial health reported to this convention.

### 4. Change of Address Service

There has been a vigorous development of the change of address service within the last year. Through the co-operation of the Stewardship Department, the National Lutheran Council, and the United Lutheran Publication House, final clearance of changes of address is made through the office of the secretary. No change of address is officially reported until it has been certified by the person affected or by the secretary of his synod. Some insight into the volume of these reports can be gained from the fact that in the months of July and August, 1950, over 500 changes of address were being processed. Prompt, full, and accurate reporting of all changes of address to the office of the secretary will save time, energy and money for the boards and agencies of synods and the U.L.C.A., and will make possible undelayed delivery of important mailings to pastors and churches.

### 5. Membership Transfer and Contact Department

Leaders of the Evangelism forces of our Church have been greatly alarmed by the study of the "losses otherwise" column in our statistics. It is hard to find some of the reasons for the tragic loss of these thousands of church members. But one reason for their loss is crystal clear. It comes from the failure of pastors and church council secretaries to notify other pastors and church council secretaries of the removal to their parishes of prospective members. The so-called "good members" are usually transferred from one parish to another with a commendable degree of care and promptness. The sad truth is, however, that the fringe families and individuals who most need early anchoring in the Church of their new community are usually the most neglected. On the other hand when such lukewarm participants in congregational life are given devoted shepherding as they move to a new area, they often become more faithful Christian disciples.

None of us dares plead that the business of forwarding notice of the coming of a prospective member to a new community is too difficult to keep current. Nothing more demanding than the making of a few accurate statements on a postal card notification form, provided by this Department for the asking, will put at any pastor's disposal the person-minded service of the Department. That little postal card notice gives the pastor the assurance that prompt and vigorous efforts will be made regularly to establish the new congregational relationship at the earliest possible date.

The demonstration that our present system works helpfully, when given a chance, is available in practically every day's mail. When we are provided full and accurate information on the transferring persons, and when that information comes to us promptly, the percentage of favorable results is well over 50 per cent.

The deeply earnest plea of all of us whose general service has to do with Evangelism (and whose, at long last, doesn't?) is that all pastors and others charged with this responsibility give themselves to it with renewed zest and consecration in the coming years.

### 6. The Record of Executive Board Actions

There has been a significant development in the volume of the actions of the Executive Board during the last two biennia. The record of Executive Board actions for the biennium 1945-1946 includes 449 mimeographed pages. The record for the 1949-1950 biennium, using the same editorial policies as in the past biennia, will require more than 1050 pages. The principal expansions have been in the realms of relationships—inter-Lutheran and interdenominational — financial administration, and review procedures concerning constitutions and budgets of boards, agencies and synods. The report of the Executive Board to this convention required 1,075 manuscript pages.

**7. Preparations for Biennial Convention**

This assignment requires much attention throughout the biennium. As early as the end of June 1949 a fully detailed exhibit of convention facilities, personnel and assisting agencies was circulated to the boards, agencies and synods of the Church. There are 116 major matters concerning our biennial conventions for which the office of the secretary is responsible. There is easily an equal number on the second level of importance.

Throughout our preparations for this convention we have had superb co-operation from the president of the Iowa Synod, the Rev. Frederick D. Boldt, D.D., from the chairman of the Iowa Synod Convention Committee, Attorney Alex M. Miller, from the pastors of St. John's Lutheran Church, the Rev. Frederick J. Weertz, D.D. and the Rev. Alfred J. Beil, D.D., the manager of KRNT Theater, Mr. D. C. Peterson, and the Convention Committee's promotion agent, Mr. Bert Stolpe.

**8. The U.L.C.A. Year Book**

The current issue of the Year Book is Number 100 in the unbroken series of annuals published by the U.L.C.A. and its predecessor bodies. In its earlier years the Year Book was practically the product of its editor. The issues of the present time require a quantity and quality of teamwork matched by few, if any, functions of the Church in a given year. This is especially true of the statistical sections of the publication. There hangs over this annual the hazard which threatens all teamwork—the capacity of even one delinquent to delay seriously the progress of the whole enterprise. We have occasionally had to suffer that embarrassment. However, it has never allowed us to lose sight of the vast array of those who help us promptly and efficiently. Our gratitude for assistance extends to every pastor who carefully prepares his parochial report and sends it in on time.

**10. Other Services**

Inasmuch as most of the other departments of service committed to the secretary of the Church are reported in some detail elsewhere in these minutes it seems sufficient merely to list them here:

(a) Publicity — see report of U.L.C.A. Committee on Publicity, and the items concerning that Committee in the Executive Board report.

(b) Transportation—see report of U.L.C.A. Committee on Transportation, and the items concerning that Committee in the report of the Executive Board.

(c) Necrological Service—see the report of the Necrologist.

(d) Knubel-Miller Lecture Committee —see the report of that Committee presented as a part of the Executive Board report.

(e) Scheduling and providing presentation materials for the U.L.C.A. representatives to the conventions of constituent synods.

(f) Preparations for the biennial Conference of Synodical Presidents—see the items concerning that Conference in the report of the Executive Board.

(g) Editing and distributing biennial convention bulletin or reports, and minutes.

**11. The Daily Mail**

Much of the ministry given to the secretary of the Church has to do with routines allowing the injection of only a little creativity. This is not true of the steady stream of mail flowing to and from his desk. While pressures often cause replies to be limited to a few sentences, such contacts with the whole Church never lose their fascination. As our personal acquaintances grow more numerous the mail ministry correspondingly increases its hold on our enthusiasm. This devotion to the daily mail is fully shared by my secretary, Mrs. Frank Wilwol, to whom, with her aides, I owe sincerest gratitude for loyal help and unfailing good spirit.

Respectfully submitted,
F. Eppling Reinartz

Following the reading of Article XII, "Commission of Adjudication," Sections 1 and 3, in their amended form, and certification by the secretary that these amendments had been ratified by 32 constituent synods, President Fry declared Sections 1 and 3 as amended to be adopted and in force.

The secretary read Article XIII, "Boards," Section 2 in its amended form. Following certification by the secretary that the amendment had been ratified by 32 constituent synods, the president declared Section 2 in its amended form to be adopted and in force.

The secretary read the ULCA Constitution's new Article XV, "Affiliated Churches," Sections 1, 2 and 3, and indicated that the present Article XV would be numbered XVI. After certification by the secretary that 32 constituent synods had ratified the new Article XV, the president declared it to be adopted and in force.

The secretary drew attention to the memorials which had been officially submitted by certain constituent synods, and reported that these memorials had been deposited with the chairman of the convention's Committee on Memorials, which committee would report concerning them in due course.

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The president recognized the Rev. Oscar F. Blackwelder, member of the Executive Board, who presented the following recommendation of the Executive Board:

The Executive Board recommends that the 1950 convention receive into relationship with the United Lutheran Church as Affiliated Churches the following:

The United Evangelical Lutheran Church (Argentina)
The Evangelical Lutheran Church in British Guiana
The Andhra Evangelical Lutheran Church (India)
The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Japan
The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Liberia

The recommendation was adopted by a rising vote.

The president declared the recommendation unanimously adopted.

The president requested the representatives of the affiliated churches to present themselves on the platform. The representatives were:

*The United Evangelical Lutheran Church (Argentina)*
The Rev. Earl D. Guequierre
Mrs. Earl D. Guequierre

*The Evangelical Lutheran Church in British Guiana*
The Rev. C. S. Hayner
Mr. J. A. Parkinson

*The Andhra Evangelical Lutheran Church (India)*
The Rev. W. T. Benze
Mr. B. J. Alexander

*Evangelical Lutheran Church in Japan*
The Rev. Shiro Aoyama
Mr. K. Yamada

*The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Liberia*
The Rev. George R. Flora
Mrs. May Keller

President Fry addressed remarks to the representatives of each Affiliated Church. In the course of his comments, the president said in effect that it is the desire of The United Lutheran Church in America, through this act of reception, to indicate to its sister churches, which had formerly been Associate Synods, our Church's recognition of their full autonomy.

The president invited the representatives of the Affiliated Churches to exercise thoroughly their constitutional privileges.

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Mr. Virgil W. Doub, chairman of the Committee on Conduct of Elections, presented the results of the first ballot for the president.

The Rev. Franklin Clark Fry received 511 votes out of the 536 votes cast. (Election on the first ballot for president requires a unanimous vote.)

The president declared that there was no election and instructed the Committee on Conduct of Elections to distribute blanks for the second ballot. The blanks were distributed.

Dr. Fry recognized Dr. Henry Beisler, treasurer, for the presentation of his report.

Dr. Beisler guided the convention through the divisions of his report pointing out items of interest. He gave the delegates the startling and gratifying information that the United Lutheran Church's total receipts for benevolence had been practically quadrupled since 1941.

# REPORT OF THE TREASURER

## Balance Sheet

*June 30, 1950*

## GENERAL CHURCH TREASURY

EXHIBIT "A"

### *Assets*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *Apportionment Fund:* | | |
| Cash in bank and on hand (Note A) | $ 67,485.37 | |
| Investments at cost (Market value $199,979.32) (Note A) | 199,979.32 | |
| | | $267,464.69 |
| *Building and Equipment Fund:* | | |
| Cash in bank | $ 491.04 | |
| Real Estate owned in fee, 231 Madison Avenue, N.Y. | 367,288.60 | |
| Furniture and equipment, 231 Madison Avenue, N.Y. | 27,512.25 | |
| Investments at cost (Market value $17,012.41) | 17,012.41 | |
| | | 412,304.30 |
| *Depreciation Reserve Fund:* | | |
| Cash in bank | $ 1,893.75 | |
| Investments at cost (Market value $11,718.00) | 12,000.00 | |
| | | 13,893.75 |
| *Trust Funds:* | | |
| General trust funds, principal (Note B): | | |
| Cash in bank | $ 878.04 | |
| Investments at market value (Cost $91,319.20) | 89,086.34 | |
| | $ 89,964.38 | |

### *Liabilities and Funds*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *Apportionment Fund:* | | |
| Undistributed balance: | | |
| Part II Apportionment—1949 | $200,000.00 | |
| Apportionment receipts—1950 | 67,464.69 | |
| | | $267,464.69 |
| *Building and Equipment Fund:* | | |
| Mortgage payable, The Board of Pensions and Relief of The United Lutheran Church in America | 140,000.00 | |
| Building and equipment fund | 254,800.85 | |
| Building Repair Fund (formerly Chapel Fund) | 17,503.45 | |
| | | 412,304.30 |
| *Depreciation Reserve Fund:* | | |
| Depreciation reserve fund | $ 13,893.75 | |
| | | 13,893.75 |
| *Trust Funds:* | | |
| General trust funds, principal | $ 95,709.10 | |
| Less: Depreciation in value of investments at June 30, 1950 from original cost and realized losses on investments to that date | 5,744.72 | |
| | $ 89,964.38 | |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Other trust funds, principal (Note C): | | | |
| Investment at cost (Market value $523.91) | | 500.00 | |
| Knubel-Miller Foundation: | | | |
| Principal: | | | |
| Cash in bank | $ 89.90 | | |
| Investments at cost (Redemption value $5,930.20) | 6,200.00 | | |
| | $6,289.90 | | |
| Income: | | | |
| Cash in bank | 5,538.03 | | |
| | | 11,827.93 | |
| | | | 102,292.31 |
| *Other Funds:* | | | |
| Cash in bank | | $ 6,800.00 | |
| | | | 6,800.00 |
| Total assets | | | $802,755.05 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Other trust funds: | | | |
| Principal | | 500.00 | |
| Knubel-Miller Foundation: | | | |
| Principal | $6,289.90 | | |
| Unexpended income | 5,538.03 | | |
| | | 11,827.93 | |
| | | | 102,292.31 |
| *Other Funds:* | | | |
| Radio Fund | | $ 6,600.00 | |
| Department of Church Architecture Fund | | 200.00 | |
| | | | 6,800.00 |
| Total liabilities and funds | | | $802,755.05 |

## EXECUTIVE BOARD TREASURY

| *Assets* | | |
|---|---|---|
| Cash in bank and on hand | $ 72,261.20 | |
| Investments at cost (Market value $169,055.59) | 169,055.59 | |
| Advance for expenses | 5,000.00 | |
| | | $246,316.79 |

| *Liabilities and Funds* | | |
|---|---|---|
| Administration Fund | $ 16,844.35 | |
| U.L.C.A. Committees and Appropriations Fund | 17,832.87 | |
| Stewardship Fund | 34,519.64 | |
| Biennial Convention Fund | 97,634.33 | |
| Committee of Executive Secretaries Fund | 245.03 | |
| Motion picture reserve fund | 79,240.57 | |
| | | $246,316.79 |

## CHILDREN OF THE CHURCH TREASURY

| *Assets* | |
|---|---|
| Cash in bank | $ 6,799.73 |

| *Liabilities and Funds* | |
|---|---|
| Undistributed balance | $ 6,799.73 |

See attached notes to the Balance Sheets

## Balance Sheet

*June 30, 1949*

## GENERAL CHURCH TREASURY

EXHIBIT "B"

### *Assets*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *Apportionment Fund:* | | | |
| Cash in bank and on hand (Note A) | | $215,618.06 | |
| Investments at cost (Market value $349,476.45) | | 349,476.45 | |
| Loan receivable, building and equipment fund | | 25,000.00 | |
| Advance for CHEY Appeal expenses | | 10,000.00 | |
| Advance for 1949 stewardship motion picture | | 40,000.00 | |
| | | | $640,094.51 |
| *Building and Equipment Fund:* | | | |
| Cash in bank | | $ 199.28 | |
| Real estate owned in fee, 231 Madison Avenue, New York | | 367,288.60 | |
| Fixtures and equipment, 231 Madison Avenue, New York | | 27,083.66 | |
| | | | 394,571.54 |
| *Depreciation Reserve Fund:* | | | |
| Cash in bank | | $ 3,206.25 | |
| Investments at cost (Market value $5,839.50) | | 6,000.00 | |
| | | | 9,206.25 |
| *Trust Funds:* | | | |
| General trust funds, principal (Note B): | | | |
| Cash in bank | $(666.49) | | |
| Investments at market value (Cost $85,011.66) | 82,972.28 | $82,305.79 | |
| Other trust funds, principal (Note C): | | | |
| Investments at cost (Market value $508.91) | | 500.00 | |

### *Liabilities and Funds*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *Apportionment Fund:* | | |
| Undistributed balance | $640,094.51 | |
| | | $ 640,094.51 |
| *Building and Equipment Fund:* | | |
| Mortgage payable, The Board of Pensions and Relief of The United Lutheran Church in America | $150,000.00 | |
| Loan payable, apportionment fund | 25,000.00 | |
| Building and equipment fund | 219,372.26 | |
| Chapel fund | 199.28 | |
| | | 394,571.54 |
| *Depreciation Reserve Fund:* | | |
| Depreciation reserve fund | $ 9,206.25 | |
| | | 9,206.25 |
| *Trust Funds:* | | |
| General trust funds, principal | $ 89,108.15 | |
| Less: Depreciation in value of investment at June 30, 1949 from original cost | 6,802.36 | |
| | $ 82,305.79 | |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Knubel-Miller Foundation: | | | |
| Principal: | | | |
| Cash in bank | $ (9.00) | | |
| Investments at cost (Redemption value $5,906.60) | 6,200.00 | | |
| | $ 6,191.00 | | |
| Income: | | | |
| Cash in bank | 4,142.41 | | |
| | | 10,333.41 | |
| | | | 93,139.20 |
| Total assets | | | $1,137,011.50 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Other trust funds: | | | |
| Principal | | 500.00 | |
| Knubel-Miller Foundation: | | | |
| Principal | $ 6,191.00 | | |
| Unexpended income | 4,142.41 | | |
| | | 10,333.41 | |
| | | | 93,139.20 |
| Total liabilities and funds | | | $1,137,011.50 |

## EXECUTIVE BOARD TREASURY

*Assets*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Cash in bank and on hand | $103,006.51 | |
| Investments at cost (Market value $104,842.86) | 104,842.86 | |
| Total assets | | $ 207,849.37 |

*Liabilities and Funds*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Administration Fund | $ 29,384.38 | |
| U.L.C.A. Committees and Appropriations Fund | 80,640.75 | |
| Stewardship Fund | 12,916.76 | |
| Biennial Convention Fund | 43,990.69 | |
| Committee of Executive Secretaries Fund | 1,374.55 | |
| Motion Picture Reserve Fund | 39,543.24 | |
| Christian Higher Education Year Fund—deficit | (1.00) | |
| Total funds | | $ 207,849.37 |

## CHILDREN OF THE CHURCH TREASURY

*Assets*

| | |
|---|---|
| Cash in bank | $ 6,697.72 |

*Liabilities and Funds*

| | |
|---|---|
| Undistributed balance | $ 6,697.72 |

See attached notes to the Balance Sheets

Brackets ( ) denote red figures

## *Notes to the Balance Sheets*

Note A—Cash in bank includes $68,110.34 of Canadian funds at par, deposited with the Canadian Bank of Commerce, Toronto, Canada at June 30, 1950. Investments include $50,000.00 par value Government of Canada Notes, 1¾%, due 11/1/51 at a cost of $50,162.73. At free exchange rates Canadian dollars were quoted at $0.90 1/16 United States at June 30, 1950, representing a loss of 9.938% on conversion.

At June 30, 1949, Canadian funds totaled $17,977.63 which at the then current exchange rate were quoted at $0.945 United States. There is no intent of the Treasurer of The United Lutheran Church in America to convert these funds to United States dollars; disbursements will be made from these funds for activities of The United Lutheran Church in Canada.

Note B—The investment in securities held in the General Trust Funds is carried at market value pursuant to an action of the Executive Board. This action was effective with the year ended June 30, 1943. A reserve reflecting the losses on the disposal of securities from June 30, 1943, and the depreciation in the value of securities held at June 30, 1950, amounted to $5,744.72 at June 30, 1950, and $6,802.36 at June 30, 1949.

Note C—The investment of $500.00 in United States Bonds in the Lars W. Lunda Fund is held by the Union Trust Company, Madison, Wisconsin. Income from this fund is distributed by the trustee every six years. The next distribution of income should be received in 1952.

Note D—Transactions effecting the President's Fund have been omitted from this report in accordance with the action taken by the Executive Board at its meeting on October 12, 1949.

## GENERAL CHURCH TREASURY

SCHEDULE "A-I"

### Investments

*June 30, 1950*

*Apportionment Fund*

| Par Value | | Interest Rate | Maturity Date | Cost or Book Value | Market Value 6/30/50 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| $ 50,000 | United States Treasury Notes, Series "C" | 1¼% | 7/ 1/51 | $ 50,113.59 | $ 50,113.59 |
| 100,000 | United States Treasury Bills, 91 days | | 9/21/50 | 99,703.00 | 99,703.00 |
| 50,000 | Government of Canada (Note A) | 1¾% | 11/ 1/51 | 50,162.73 | 50,162.73 |
| | | | | $199,979.32 | $199,979.32 |

*Building Repair Fund*

| Par Value | | Interest Rate | Maturity Date | Cost or Book Value | Market Value 6/30/50 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| $ 12,000 | United States Treasury Notes, Series "C" | 1¼% | 7/ 1/51 | $ 12,027.26 | $ 12,027.26 |
| 5,000 | United States Treasury Bills, 91 days | ........ | 9/21/50 | 4,985.15 | 4,985.15 |
| | | | | $17,012.41 | $ 17,012.41 |

### *Depreciation Reserve Fund*

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| $ 3,000 | United States Savings Bonds, Series "G" | 2½% | 4/ 1/59 | $ 3,000.00 | $ 2,853.00• |
| 1,500 | United States Savings Bonds, Series "G" | 2½% | 8/ 1/59 | 1,500.00 | 1,434.00• |
| 1,500 | United States Savings Bonds, Series "G" | 2½% | 4/ 1/61 | 1,500.00 | 1,467.00• |
| 3,000 | United States Savings Bonds, Series "G" | 2½% | 7/ 1/61 | 3,000.00 | 2,964.00• |
| 3,000 | United States Savings Bonds, Series "G" | 2½% | 5/ 1/62 | 3,000.00 | 3,000.00• |
| | | | | $ 12,000.00 | $ 11,718.00 |

### *General Trust Funds*

| | Bonds | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| $ 2,000 | Missouri Pacific Railroad Company, Series "F", First and Refunding | 5% | 3/ 1/77 | $ 1,785.00 | $ 1,940.00 |
| 3,000 | Philadelphia Reading Terminal Railroad Company, First Mortgage, Sinking Fund | 3½% | 3/ 1/66 | 3,037.50 | 3,120.00 |
| 6,000 | United States Treasury Notes, Series "A" | 1¼% | 10/ 1/51 | 6,000.00 | 6,000.00 |
| 7,000 | United States Treasury Bonds | 2½% | 6/15/67-72 | 7,000.00 | 7,234.06 |
| 7,500 | United States Treasury Bonds | 2½% | 12/15/67-72 | 7,545.31 | 7,582.03 |
| 2,000 | United States Savings Bonds, Series "G" | 2½% | 10/ 1/54 | 2,000.00 | 1,928.00• |
| 9,000 | United States Savings Bonds, Series "G" | 2½% | 6/ 1/56 | 9,000.00 | 8,595.00• |
| 5,000 | United States Savings Bonds, Series "G" | 2½% | 4/ 1/59 | 5,000.00 | 4,755.00• |
| 6,000 | United States Savings Bonds, Series "G" | 2½% | 5/ 1/59 | 6,000.00 | 5,706.00• |
| | | | | $ 47,367.81 | $ 46,860.09 |

| Shares | Stocks | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 60 | Best Foods, Incorporated, common | ........ | ........ | $ 2,397.26 | $ 2,047.50 |
| 50 | Continental Can Company, $3.75 preferred | ........ | ........ | 5,336.25 | 5,275.00 |
| 100 | Corn Products Refining Company, common | ........ | ........ | 6,557.53 | 6,500.00 |
| 100 | Dayton Power and Light Company, common | ........ | ........ | 3,125.50 | 3,050.00 |
| 75 | Hershey Chocolate Company, common | ........ | ........ | 3,318.93 | 3,093.75 |
| 100 | National Biscuit Company, common | ........ | ........ | 3,690.81 | 3,437.50 |
| 100 | National City Bank, common | ........ | ........ | 4,405.38 | 4,275.00 |
| 50 | Southern California Edison Company, common | ........ | ........ | 1,742.55 | 1,650.00 |
| 50 | Standard Oil Company of California, common | ........ | ........ | 3,490.08 | 3,337,50 |
| 120 | Union Pacific Railroad Company, preferred | 4% | ........ | 6,444.60 | 6,135.00 |
| 120 | Virginia Electric and Power Company, common | ........ | ........ | 2,192.50 | 2,175.00 |
| | | | | $ 42,701.39 | $ 40,976.25 |

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• Denotes redemption value

| Par Value | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Mortgages | | | | |
| | N. Thomas, 2825 Decatur Avenue, Bronx, New York | 4½% | 1/23/51 | $ 1,250.00 | $ 1,250.00 |
| | Total general trust fund investments | | | $ 91,319.20 | $ 89,086.34 |
| | *Other Trust Funds* | | | | |
| $ 500 | United States Treasury Bonds<br>(Union Trust Company, Madison, Wisconsin) | 2½% | 1967-72 | $ 500.00 | $ 523.91 |
| | *Knubel-Miller Foundation* | | | | |
| $ 5,800 | United States Savings Bonds, Series "G" | 2½% | 6/ 1/56 | $ 5,800.00 | $ 5,539.00• |
| 400 | United States Savings Bonds, Series "G" | 2½% | 4/ 1/61 | 400.00 | 391.20• |
| | | | | $ 6,200.00 | $ 5,930.20 |
| | **EXECUTIVE BOARD TREASURY** | | | | |
| | *Biennial Convention Fund* | | | | |
| $ 37,000 | United States Treasury Notes, Series "A" | 1¼% | 10/ 1/51 | $ 37,000.00 | $ 37,000.00 |
| 45,000 | United States Treasury Notes, Series "C" | 1¼% | 7/ 1/51 | 45,034.08 | 45,034.08 |
| 10,000 | United States Treasury Notes, Series "E" | 1¼% | 8/ 1/51 | 10,029.53 | 10,029.53 |
| 5,000 | United States Treasury Bills, 91 days | ........ | 9/21/50 | 4,985.15 | 4,985.15 |
| | | | | $ 97,048.76 | $ 97,048.76 |
| | *Motion Picture Reserve Fund* | | | | |
| $ 3,000 | United States Treasury Notes, Series "C" | 1¼% | 7/ 1/51 | $ 3,006.83 | $ 3,006.83 |
| 7,000 | United States Treasury Notes, Series "A" | 1¼% | 10/ 1/51 | 7,000.00 | 7,000.00 |
| 62,000 | United States Treasury Notes, Series "A" | 1⅜% | 3/15/54 | 62,000.00 | 62,000.00 |
| | | | | $ 72,006.83 | $ 72,006.83 |
| | Total investments Executive Board Treasury | | | $169,055.59 | $169,055.59 |

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• Denotes redemption value

EXHIBIT "C"

## GENERAL CHURCH TREASURY

### Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

|  | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 |
|---|---|---|
| *Receipts:* |  |  |
| Apportionment fund | $5,104,249.86 | $4,535,555.09 |
| Specials, including Lutheran World Action | 3,291,549.95 | 2,952,286.83 |
| Building and equipment fund | 17,350.00 | 5,600.00 |
| Depreciation reserve fund | 4,687.50 | 4,612.50 |
| General trust funds | 48,296.04 | 18,622.03 |
| Other trust funds | 177.87 | 91.48 |
| Knubel-Miller Foundation | 5,178.35 | 4,894.50 |
| Radio fund | 7,622.88 | ........ |
| Department of Church Architecture fund | 200.00 | ........ |
| Total receipts | $8,479,312.45 | $7,521,662.43 |
| *Disbursements:* |  |  |
| Apportionment fund | $5,252,382.55 | $4,651,805.57 |
| Specials, including Lutheran World Action | 3,291,549.95 | 2,952,286.83 |
| Building and equipment fund | 17,058.24 | 5,645.46 |
| Depreciation reserve fund | 6,000.00 | 1,500.00 |
| General trust funds | 46,751.51 | 21,310.12 |
| Other trust funds | 177.87 | 91.48 |
| Knubel-Miller Foundation | 3,683.83 | 4,340.71 |
| Radio fund | 1,022.88 | .... |
| Department of Church Architecture fund | .... | .... |
| Total disbursements | $8,618,626.83 | $7,636,980.17 |
| *Summary:* |  |  |
| Cash balance, beginning of fiscal year | $ 222,490.51 | $ 337,808.25 |
| Receipts | 8,479,312.45 | 7,521,662.43 |
|  | $8,701,802.96 | $7,859,470.68 |
| Disbursements | 8,618,626.83 | 7,636,980.17 |
| Cash balance, end of fiscal year | $ 83,176.13 | $ 222,490.51 |
| *Apportionment Fund:* |  |  |
| Receipts: |  |  |
| Remittances from synods (Schedule I) | $3,409.899.53 | $3,574,621.94 |
| Interest on Church House loan | 147.26 | 279.46 |
| Interest on temporary investments | 5,006.57 | 4,285.69 |
|  | $3,415,053.36 | $3,579,187.09 |
| Executive Board Treasury for National Lutheran Council Budget deficiency | 1,936.11 | ... |
| Proceeds of temporary investments | 1,302,135.39 | 951,368.00 |
| Proceeds of bank loan | 50,000.00 | .... |
| Repayment of advances and loans: |  |  |
| Church House loan | 25,000.00 | 5,000.00 |
| 1949 Stewardship motion picture | 60,000.00 | .... |
| CHEY Appeal expenses advanced: |  |  |
| From Part II—1949 | 200,000.00 | .... |
| From Bank loan (with interest) | 50,125.00 | ... |
| Total receipts | $5.104.249.86 | $4.535.555.09 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Disbursements: | | |
| Distributions to Boards and Agencies (Schedule II): | | |
| Part I | $2,835,060.16 | $2,042,989.31 |
| Part II | 789,846.11 | 698,074.00 |
| Double Apportionment | 162,776.91 | 910,815.06 |
| | $3,787,683.18 | $3,651,878.37 |
| National Lutheran Council for budget deficiency | 1,936.11 | .... |
| Purchase of temporary investments | 1,152,638.26 | 949,927.20 |
| Repayment of bank loan (with interest) | 50,125.00 | .... |
| Advances made: | | |
| CHEY Appeal expenses | 240,000.00 | 10,000.00 |
| 1949 Stewardship motion picture | 20,000.00 | 40,000.00 |
| Total disbursements | $5,252,382.55 | $4,651,805.57 |
| Summary: | | |
| Balance, beginning of fiscal year | $ 215,618.06 | $ 331,868.54 |
| Receipts | 5,104,249.86 | 4,535,555.09 |
| | $5,319,867.92 | $4,867,423.63 |
| Disbursements | 5,252,382.55 | 4,651,805.57 |
| Balance, end of fiscal year | $ 67,485.37 | $ 215,618.06 |
| Investments and other assets | 199,979.32 | 424,476.45 |
| Fund balance, end of fiscal year | $ 267,464.69 | $ 640,094.51 |
| *Specials:* | | |
| Receipts: | | |
| Remittances from Synods and Agencies—(Schedule I): | | |
| Lutheran World Action | $1,504,081.01 | $1,969,647.75 |
| Christian Higher Education Year Appeal (CHEY) | 905,660.08 | 266.00 |
| Others | 881,808.86 | 982,373.08 |
| Total receipts | $3,291,549.95 | $2,952,286.83 |
| Disbursements: | | |
| Disbursed to Boards, Agencies and others—(Schedule II): | | |
| Lutheran World Action | $1,504,081.01 | $1,969,647.75 |
| Christian Higher Education Year Appeal (CHEY) | 905,660.08 | 266.00 |
| Others | 881,808.86 | 982,373.08 |
| Total disbursements | $3,291,549.95 | $2,952,286.83 |
| *Building and Equipment Fund:* | | |
| Receipts: | | |
| Contribution, Chapel fund | .... | $ 600.00 |
| Executive Board Treasury, Part II, 1948 | .... | 5,000.00 |
| Apportionment Part I — Extraordinary repairs—Church House | $ 17,350.00 | .... |
| Total receipts | $ 17,350.00 | $ 5,600.00 |
| Disbursements: | | |
| Apportionment fund, repayment of loan | .. | $ 5,000.00 |
| Purchase of equipment and supplies | $ 45.83 | 196.05 |
| Literature and folders | ... | 449.41 |
| Purchase of temporary investments | 17,012.41 | .... |
| Total disbursements | $ 17,058.24 | $ 5,645.46 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Summary: | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of fiscal year | $ 199.28 | $ 244.74 |
| Receipts | 17,350.00 | 5,600.00 |
| | $ 17,549.28 | $ 5,844.74 |
| Disbursements | 17,058.24 | 5,645.46 |
| Cash balance, end of fiscal year | $ 491.04 | $ 199.28 |
| Investments and other assets | 411,813.26 | 394,372.26 |
| Fund balance, end of fiscal year | $ 412,304.30 | $ 394,571.54 |

*Depreciation Reserve Fund:*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Receipts: | | |
| Lutheran Church House | $ 4,500.00 | $4,500.00 |
| Interest on bonds | 187.50 | 112.50 |
| Total receipts | $ 4,687.50 | $4,612.50 |
| Disbursements: | | |
| Purchase of investments | $ 6,000.00 | $1,500.00 |
| Total disbursements | $ 6,000.00 | $1,500.00 |
| Summary: | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of fiscal year | $ 3,206.25 | $ 93.75 |
| Receipts | 4,687.50 | 4,612.50 |
| | $ 7,893.75 | $4,706.25 |
| Disbursements | 6,000.00 | 1,500.00 |
| Cash balance, end of fiscal year | $ 1,893.75 | $3,206.25 |
| Investments | 12,000.00 | 6,000.00 |
| Fund balance, end of fiscal year | $13,893.75 | $9,206.25 |

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Principal | Income | Principal | Income |
| *General Trust Funds:* | | | | |
| Receipts: | | | | |
| Herbert T. Weber Estate | $ 6,100.95 | .... | $14,618.29 | .... |
| J. B. Finley Estate | 500.00 | .... | .... | .... |
| David L. Franciscus Estate | .... | .... | 170.78 | .... |
| Millie C. Maier Estate | .... | .... | 78.11 | .... |
| Rosa A. Geissenhainer Estate | 2,000.00 | .... | .... | .... |
| Rudolph Reichwald Estate | 2,358.11 | .... | .... | .... |
| Peter G. Bell Estate | 200.00 | .... | .... | .... |
| Payments on mortgage principal and interest | 550.00 | $ 79.53 | 400.00 | $ 94.70 |
| Proceeds from sale of securities | 33,644.87 | .... | 1,153.04 | .... |
| Interest on bonds | .... | 1,521.88 | .... | 1,499.60 |
| Dividends on stocks | .... | 1,340.70 | .... | 607.51 |
| Total receipts | $45,353.93 | $2,942.11 | $16,420.22 | $2.201.81 |
| Disbursements: | | | | |
| Purchase of securities | $39,251.29 | .... | $19,108.31 | .... |
| Postage and handling charges | .... | .... | .... | $ 3.86 |
| Distribution of bequests and income: | | | | |
| Board of Foreign Missions | 1,000.00 | $ 905.88 | .... | 737.20 |
| Board of American Missions | 1,000.00 | 722.29 | .... | 587.73 |
| Inner Mission Society of Brooklyn | .... | 87.97 | .... | 71.65 |
| Orphan Home of the South | .... | 83.85 | .... | 68.36 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Board of Pensions and Relief | 200.00 | 33.24 | .... | 27.03 |
| Board of Education | .... | 33.24 | .... | 27.03 |
| Board of Social Missions | .... | 36.19 | .... | 29.45 |
| Knubel-Miller Foundation | .... | 1,039.45 | .... | 649.50 |
| Lutheran World Action | 2,358.11 | .... | .... | .... |
| Total disbursements | $43,809.40 | $2,942.11 | $19,108.31 | $2,201.81 |
| Summary: | | | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of fiscal year | $ (666.49) | .... | $ 2,021.60 | .... |
| Receipts | 45,353.93 | $2,942.11 | 16,420.22 | $2,201.81 |
| | $44,687.44 | $2,942.11 | $18,441.82 | $2,201.81 |
| Disbursements | 43,809.40 | 2,942.11 | 19,108.31 | 2,201.81 |
| Cash balance, end of fiscal year | $ 878.04 | .... | $ (666.49) | .... |
| *Other Trust Funds:* | | | | |
| Receipts: | | | | |
| Income from Amelia R. Weaver Estate (Note) | .... | $ 177.87 | .... | $ 91.48 |
| Disbursements: | | | | |
| Distribution of income—Board of American Missions | .... | $ 177.87 | .... | $ 91.48 |
| Summary: | | | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of fiscal year | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| Receipts | .... | $ 177.87 | .... | $ 91.48 |
| | .... | $ 177.87 | .... | 91.48 |
| Disbursements | .... | 177.87 | .... | 91.48 |
| Cash balance, end of fiscal year | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| Investments | $ 500.00 | .... | $ 500.00 | .... |
| Fund balance, end of fiscal year | $ 500.00 | .... | $ 500.00 | .... |
| *Knubel-Miller Foundation:* | | | | |
| Receipts: | | | | |
| Contributions | .... | $ 185.00 | .... | $ 100.00 |
| Interest on bonds | .... | 155.00 | .... | 145.00 |
| Undesignated income from general trust funds | .... | 1,039.45 | .... | 649.50 |
| Royalties—1948-49 Lecture Books | $ 98.90 | .... | .... | .... |
| Double Apportionment | .... | .... | .... | 4,000.00 |
| Apportionment—Part II | .... | 3,700.00 | .... | .... |
| | $ 98.90 | $5,079.45 | .... | $4,894.50 |
| Disbursements: | | | | |
| Purchase of bonds | .... | .... | $ 400.00 | .... |
| Expenses of lecture committee | .... | $ 135.29 | .... | $ 289.11 |
| Printing and supplies | .... | 3,004.64 | .... | 2,678.85 |
| Honorarium to lecturer | .... | .... | .... | 600.00 |
| Lecturer's travel expense | .... | 483.90 | .... | 372.75 |
| Supply Preachers' expense | .... | 60.00 | .... | .... |
| | .... | $3,683.83 | $ 400.00 | $3,940.71 |

Note—Corpus held by the Norristown-Penn Trust Company, Norristown, Pennsylvania. Only income is received by The United Lutheran Church in America for distribution to the Board of American Missions.

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Brackets (   ) denote red figures

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| Summary: | | | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of fiscal year | $ (9.00) | $4,142.41 | $ 391.00 | $3,188.62 |
| Receipts | 98.90 | 5,079.45 | .... | 4,894.50 |
| | $ 89.90 | $9,221.86 | $ 391.00 | $8,083.12 |
| Disbursements | .... | 3,683.83 | 400.00 | 3,940.71 |
| Cash balance, end of fiscal year | $ 89.90 | $5,538.03 | $ (9.00) | $4,142.41 |
| Investments | 6,200.00 | .... | 6,200.00 | .... |
| Fund balance, end of fiscal year | $6,289.90 | $5,538.03 | $6,191.00 | $4,142.41 |

| | 7/1/1949 to 6/30/1950 | 7/1/1948 to 6/30/1949 |
|---|---|---|
| *Radio Fund:* | | |
| Receipts: | | |
| Apportionment—Part I | $7,000.00 | .... |
| Contributions | 622.88 | .... |
| Total receipts | $7,622.88 | .... |
| Disbursements: | | |
| Protestant Radio Commission | $1,022.88 | . |
| Summary: | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of fiscal year | .... | .... |
| Receipts | $7,622.88 | .... |
| | $7,622.88 | .... |
| Disbursements | 1,022.88 | .... |
| Cash balance, end of fiscal year | $6,600.00 | . |
| *Department of Church Architecture Fund:* | | |
| Receipts: | | |
| Board of Social Missions Contributions | $ 200.00 | |
| Disbursements | .... | .... |
| Summary: | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of year | .... | .... |
| Receipts | $ 200.00 | .... |
| Cash balance, end of year | $ 200.00 | .... |

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Brackets ( ) denote red figures

## Supporting Schedules

### Receipts from Synods and Agencies

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | TOTALS | | APPORTIONMENT FUND | | SPECIALS | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | | Lutheran World Action | | CHEY | | Others | |
| | 7/1/49 to 6/30/50 | 7/1/48 to 6/30/49 | 7/1/49 to 6/30/50 | 7/1/48 to 6/30/49 | 7/1/49 to 6/30/50 | 7/1/48 to 6/30/49 | 7/1/49 to 6/30/50 | 7/1/48 to 6/30/49 | 7/1/49 to 6/30/50 | 7/1/48 to 6/30/49 |
| Min. of Penna | $1,010,299.30 | $ 859,711.34 | $ 564,939.13 | $ 549,621.98 | $ 258,710.69 | $ 285,478.97 | $165,069.93 | .... | $ 21,580.05 | $ 24,610.39 |
| New York | 703,590.33 | 666,475.11 | 395,524.57 | 374,683.39 | 197,604.68 | 267,727.69 | 92,879.80 | .... | 17,581.28 | 24,064.03 |
| N. Carolina | 226,423.03 | 191,252.66 | 126,806,50 | 131,995.48 | 44,534.08 | 49,568.03 | 45,222.92 | .... | 9,859.53 | 9,689.15 |
| Maryland | 324,430.12 | 278,082.80 | 156,187.26 | 173,788.72 | 85,610.33 | 87,857.08 | 70,552.89 | .... | 12,079.64 | 16,437.00 |
| S. Carolina | 142,694.96 | 127,845.82 | 70,989.00 | 83,000.00 | 30,281.03 | 37,574.59 | 32,237.29 | .... | 9,187.64 | 7,271.23 |
| Cent. Penna. | 913,176.33 | 975,807.08 | 561,448.95 | 605,252.17 | 217,153.60 | 324,480.29 | 92,292.66 | .... | 42,281.12 | 46,074.62 |
| Virginia | 103,274.13 | 117,596.27 | 58,227.06 | 72,922.49 | 30,431.27 | 39,561.73 | 10,521.13 | $230.00 | 4,094.67 | 4,882.05 |
| Ohio | 415,273.36 | 456,686.34 | 241,956.03 | 295,046.94 | 118,423.65 | 146,999.15 | 42,971.77 | .... | 11,921.91 | 14,640.25 |
| Pittsburgh | 382,172.88 | 443,101.06 | 236,278.35 | 249,992.60 | 129,535.38 | 177,663.16 | 4,123.83 | .... | 12,235.32 | 15,445.30 |
| Indiana | 111,842.23 | 115,617.51 | 62,043.10 | 77,325.58 | 31,792.97 | 35,729.08 | 13,317.52 | .... | 4,688.64 | 2,562.85 |
| Illinois | 310,480.47 | 292,412.80 | 184,690.55 | 189,511.38 | 76,984.26 | 98,631.30 | 46,138.37 | 36.00 | 2,667.29 | 4,234.12 |
| Texas | 20,583.93 | 29,270.62 | 14,052.19 | 17,916.92 | 5,608.73 | 9,991.30 | 373.24 | .... | 549.77 | 1,362.40 |
| Mississippi | 2,240.63 | 3,420.96 | 1,103.79 | 1,882.73 | 491.50 | 1,485.44 | 620.34 | .... | 25.00 | 52.79 |
| Iowa | 92,848.17 | 83,206.80 | 57,250.00 | 54,000.00 | 23,702.13 | 28,142.71 | 11,317.20 | .... | 578.84 | 1,064.09 |
| Michigan | 66,086.95 | 59,073.30 | 25,805.78 | 36,421.58 | 14,162.33 | 21,285.97 | 24,007.38 | .... | 2,111.46 | 1,365.75 |
| Ga.-Alabama | 42,482.36 | 34,317.80 | 21,405.51 | 20,127.25 | 8,734.69 | 13,262.64 | 11,403.58 | .... | 938.58 | 927.91 |
| Canada | 110,649.71 | 85,267.16 | 42,680.86 | 52,495.32 | 7,000.00 | 28,372.94 | 57,152.05 | .... | 3,816.80 | 4,398.90 |
| Kansas | 40,831.51 | 51,164.55 | 28,661.76 | 33,457.41 | 11,745.42 | 16,557.90 | .... | .... | 424.33 | 1,149.24 |
| Nebraska | 97,315.02 | 72,564.40 | 44,619.00 | 39,661.00 | 20,596.74 | 30,179.30 | 29,524.37 | .... | 2,574.91 | 2,724.10 |
| Wartburg | 61,088.39 | 63,212.71 | 31,760.21 | 33,015.00 | 20,262.55 | 28,881.53 | 8,171.06 | .... | 894.57 | 1,316.18 |
| Icelandic | 1,500.00 | 3,900.00 | 1,000.00 | 2,390.00 | 500.00 | 1,500.00 | .... | .... | .... | 10.00 |
| Midwest | 83,526.78 | 67,506.35 | 27,483.00 | 38,688.00 | 21,378.50 | 26,568.00 | 33,139.32 | .... | 1,525.96 | 2,250.35 |
| California | 123,810.25 | 73,194.54 | 74,326.17 | 53,899.83 | 24,910.40 | 17,912.01 | 21,500.00 | .... | 3,073.68 | 1,382.70 |
| Rocky Mountain | 28,068.85 | 25,612.96 | 15,344.00 | 17,700.00 | 5,983.06 | 7,561.71 | 6,174.46 | .... | 567.33 | 351.25 |
| Northwest | 416,644.78 | 414,531.16 | 268,166.77 | 274,887.96 | 69,818.39 | 127,312.60 | 61,416.44 | .... | 17,243.18 | 12,330.60 |
| W. Canada | 16,784.76 | 24,237.11 | 5,000.00 | 12,000.00 | .... | 11,691.01 | 11,000.00 | .... | 784.76 | 546.10 |
| Pacific | 46,460.28 | 19,051.77 | 29,205.00 | 14,212.00 | 13,900.35 | 4,814.77 | 2,530.38 | .... | 824.55 | 25.00 |
| Nova Scotia | 9,354.67 | 12,691.16 | 8,758.70 | 6,938.18 | 433.09 | 5,329.19 | .... | .... | 162.88 | 423.79 |
| W. Virginia | 33,740.06 | 27,007.57 | 17,306.39 | 20,058.86 | 10,549.94 | 6,513.37 | 5,712.41 | .... | 171.32 | 435.34 |

|  | TOTALS |  | APPORTIONMENT FUND |  | Lutheran World Action |  | SPECIALS CHEY |  | Others |  |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|  | 7/1/49 to 6/30/50 | 7/1/48 to 6/30/49 | 7/1/49 to 6/30/50 | 7/1/48 to 6/30/49 | 7/1/49 to 6/30/50 | 7/1/48 to 6/30/49 | 7/1/49 to 6/30/50 | 7/1/48 to 6/30/49 | 7/1/49 to 6/30/50 | 7/1/48 to 6/30/49 |
| Slovak Zion....... | 16,405.15 | 19,244.28 | 6,502.42 | 6,282.70 | 6,771.63 | 9,410.53 | 1,533.60 | .... | 1,597.50 | 3,551.05 |
| Florida ............... | 20,098.59 | 21,730.47 | 10,357.25 | 13,525.65 | 2,991.70 | 5,540.95 | 4,756.14 | .... | 1,993.50 | 2,663.87 |
| Ken.-Tennessee | 30,199.49 | 34,229.37 | 19,020.23 | 20,970.82 | 10,615.89 | 12,349.48 | .... | .... | 563.37 | 909.07 |
| Puerto Rico Miss. Conf..... | 860.00 | 816.00 | 600.00 | 500.00 | 225.00 | 316.00 | .... | .... | 35.00 | .... |
| Virgin Islands Miss. Conf...... | 1,113.42 | 677.20 | 400.00 | 450.00 | 702.77 | 217.20 | .... | .... | 10.65 | 10.00 |
| Women's Miss. Society ........... | 677,573.63 | 737,971.10 | .... | .... | 1,280.13 | 282.75 | .... | .... | 676,293.50 | 737,688.35 |
| Luther League of America..... | 3,257.32 | 10,177.61 | .... | .... | 26.50 | 27.61 | .... | .... | 3,230.82 | 10,150.00 |
| Luth. Laymen's Movement ..... | 9,966.66 | 23,500.00 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 9,966.66 | 23,500.00 |
| Miscellaneous..... | 4,300.48 | 4,743.03 | .... | .... | 627.63 | 2,869.77 | .... | .... | 3,672.85 | 1,873.26 |
| Total receipts..... | $6,701,449.48 | $6,526,908.77 | $3,409,899.53 | $3,574,621.94 | $1,504,081.01 | $1,969,647.75 | $905,660.08 | $266.00 | $881,808.86 | $982,373.08 |

## Distribution of Apportionment and Specials

SCHEDULE "C-II"

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

|  | APPORTIONMENT |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | SPECIALS |  |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|  | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 |  |  |  | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Part I | Double | Part II | Total | Part I | Double | Part II | Total | 7/1/49 to 6/30/50 | 7/1/48 to 6/30/49 |
| Bd. Am. Mis.$ | 947,700.00 | $ 81,388.46 | $286,665.54 | $1,315,754.00 | $ 633,428.71 | $388,945.55 | $ 10,000.00 | $1,032,374.26 | $ 164,475.26 | $ 161,031.77 |
| Bd. Fr. Mis. | 751,800.00 | 81,388.45 | 125,000.00 | 958,188.45 | 564,000.00 | 165,201.51 | 233,744.04 | 962,945.55 | 610,859.98 | 711,986.51 |
| Bd. of Edu. | 165,600.00 | .... | .... | 165,600.00 | 172,699.98 | 15,000.00 | 19,830.00 | 207,529.98 | 10,008.27 | 10,797.06 |
| Bd. Soc. Mis. | 61,399.98 | .... | 21,092.43 | 82,492.41 | 40,000.00 | 29,518.00 | 31,238.00 | 100,756.00 | 11,695.84 | 10,421.87 |
| Bd. Pen.-Rlf. | 368,014.98 | .... | 155,000.00 | 523,014.98 | 274,750.00 | 87,350.00 | 144,050.00 | 506,150.00 | 14,064.88 | 14,228.08 |
| Bd. Dec. Wk. | 82,050.00 | .... | 12,000.00 | 94,050.00 | 54,000.00 | 16,000.00 | 15,000.00 | 85,000.00 | 6,922.67 | 5,964.84 |
| Par. & Chur. School Bd. | 66,319.98 | .... | 5,391.39 | 71,711.37 | 40,000.00 | 14,800.00 | 5,000.00 | 59,800.00 | 10,605.27 | 8,783.24 |
| Nt'lLuth.Co. Reg. Wk. | 110,471.04 | .... | .... | 110,471.04 | 36,000.00 | .... | 51,931.40 | 87,931.40 | 6,401.49 | 2,639.38 |

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Chr. App. to J'sh P'ple | 11,499.68 | .... | .... | 11,499.68 | 9,785.62 | .... | .... | 9,785.62 | .... | .... |
| Stu. Sr. Cr. | .... | .... | 57,745.75 | 57,745.75 | .... | 175,000.00 | .... | 175,000.00 | .... | .... |
| Ex. Bd. Tr.: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Adm. Fnd. | 78,517.50 | .... | .... | 78,517.50 | 69,075.00 | .... | 22,372.04 | 91,447.04 | .... | 4.00 |
| U.L.C.A. Com. | .... | .... | 1,500.00 | 1,500.00 | 8,250.00 | .... | 1,800.00 | 10,050.00 | .... | 25.00 |
| St'ds'p Fd. | 105.002.00 | .... | 60,000.00 | 165,002.00 | 35,000.00 | .... | 70,000.00 | 105,000.00 | 9,966.66 | 23,522.00 |
| Per. Mtgs. | 3,700.00 | .... | .... | 3,700.00 | 7,400.00 | .... | .... | 7,400.00 | .... | .... |
| B'n'l Conv. | 35,000.00 | .... | 22,500.00 | 57,500.00 | 20,000.00 | .... | 25,000.00 | 45,000.00 | .... | .... |
| Appropria. | 47,985.00 | .... | 22,030.00 | 70,015.00 | 78,600.00 | .... | 68,108.52 | 146,708.52 | .... | .... |
| Knu.-M'l'r Lectures | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 4,000.00 | .... | 4,000.00 | 10.00 | .... |
| Cldn. of Ch. | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 18,624.79 | 19,028.57 |
| Chris. H'g'r Ed. Yr. Ap. | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 905,660.08 | 266.00 |
| Am. Bbl. So. | .... | .... | 5,000.00 | 5,000.00 | .... | 15,000.00 | .... | 15,000.00 | 653.30 | 1,415.29 |
| Lu. Lg. Am. | .... | .... | 2,979.49 | 2,979.49 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 768.25 | 528.22 |
| Lu. Wld. Act. | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 1,504,081.01 | 1,969,647.75 |
| Luth. Wld. Relief, Inc. | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 4,747.27 | 4,973.65 |
| Wm. Mis. So. | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 5,341.13 | 5,545.59 |
| Luth. Lay. Mov'm't | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 645.45 | 338.47 |
| Misc. Luth. Organiza's | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 5,581.68 | 1,058.24 |
| Misc. Non-Luth. Org. | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 436.67 | 81.30 |
| Wld. Co. Ch. | .... | .... | 4,941.51 | 4,941.51 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| Fed. Co. Ch. | .... | .... | 8,000.00 | 8,000.00 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
|  | $2,835,060.16 | $162,776.91 | $789,846.11 | $3,787,683.18 | $2,042,989.31 | $910,815.06 | $698,074.00 | $3,651,878.37 | $3,291,549.95 | $2,952,286.83 |

EXHIBIT "D"

## Reconciliation of Funds

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 |
|---|---|---|
| *Building and Equipment Fund:* | | |
| Principal balance, beginning of fiscal year | $219,372.26 | $213,088.06 |
| Additions: | | |
| Part II—1948 | .... | 5,000.00 |
| Reduction of indebtedness: | | |
| Mortgage payable | 10,000.00 | .... |
| Loan payable | 25,000.00 | .... |
| Addition to furniture and fixtures: | | |
| Administration fund | 239.49 | 778.66 |
| Stewardship fund | 189.10 | 554.23 |
| Chapel fund | .... | 196.05 |
| | $254,800.85 | $219,617.00 |
| Deductions: | | |
| Transfer to Building Repair Fund (formerly Chapel Fund) | .... | 244.74 |
| Principal balance, end of fiscal year | $254,800.85 | $219,372.26 |
| *General Trust Funds:* | | |
| Principal balance, beginning of fiscal year | $ 89,108.15 | $ 74,240.97 |
| Additions: | | |
| Herbert T. Weber Estate | 6,100.95 | 14,618.29 |
| David L. Franciscus Estate | .... | 170.78 |
| Millie C. Maier Estate | .... | 78.11 |
| J. B. Finley Estate | 500.00 | .... |
| Principal balance, end of fiscal year | $ 95,709.10 | $ 89,108.15 |
| Consisting of following bequests and legacies: | | |
| Oscar S. Grim | $ 9,850.61 | $ 9,850.61 |
| Oscar V. Haubner | 7,987.90 | 7,987.90 |
| M. S. Hottenstein | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 |
| W. F. Hoffman | 7,625.00 | 7,625.00 |
| Dr. W. W. Buck | 3,014.84 | 3,014.84 |
| M. E. Smith | 500.00 | 500.00 |
| John S. Drew | 200.00 | 200.00 |
| Bertha Kreugel | 980.00 | 980.00 |
| Naomi Smoots | 892.71 | 892.71 |
| William S. Hildenbrand | 200.00 | 200.00 |
| Louis Stemple | 450.00 | 450.00 |
| Alice N. Noller | 1,175.68 | 1,175.68 |
| Emma K. Scotter | 9,808.25 | 9,808.25 |
| C. F. Pflaum, Jr. | 5,000.00 | 5,000.00 |
| Rev. R. A. Hafer | 5,040.00 | 5,040.00 |
| John Schmaus | 2,500.00 | 2,500.00 |
| Samuel Gastrock | 1,774.04 | 1,774.04 |
| Carl D. Bischoff | 8,075.65 | 8,075.65 |
| Millie C. Maier | 4,749.00 | 4,749.00 |
| Edward C. Parisi | 200.00 | 200.00 |
| Francis K. Thomas | 3,295.40 | 3,295.40 |
| Herbert T. Weber | 20,719.24 | 14,618.29 |
| David L. Franciscus | 170.78 | 170.78 |
| J. B. Finley | 500.00 | .... |
| | $ 95,709.10 | $ 89,108.15 |

EXHIBIT "E"

# EXECUTIVE BOARD TREASURY

## Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 |
|---|---|---|
| *Receipts:* | | |
| Administration Fund | $ 78,517.50 | $ 91,449.04 |
| U.L.C.A. Committees and Appropriations Fund | 202,136.00 | 179,183.52 |
| Stewardship Fund | 149,968.66 | 169,134.06 |
| Biennial Convention Fund | 87,875.00 | 80,320.37 |
| Committee of Executive Secretaries Fund | .... | .... |
| Children of the Church Account | .... | 15,580.85 |
| Motion Picture Reserve Fund | 168,513.44 | 31,400.37 |
| Christian Higher Education Year Fund | 5,514.37 | 266.00 |
| Total receipts | $692,524.97 | $567,334.21 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| Administration Fund | $ 91,057.53 | $ 76,153.52 |
| U.L.C.A. Committees and Appropriations Fund | 215,069.53 | 175,778.72 |
| Stewardship Fund | 133,365.78 | 159,620.36 |
| Biennial Convention Fund | 101,248.79 | 74,030.76 |
| Committee of Executive Secretaries Fund | 1,129.52 | 35.40 |
| Children of the Church Account | .... | 19,156.35 |
| Motion Picture Reserve Fund | 175,885.76 | 24,937.18 |
| Christian Higher Education Year Fund | 5,513.37 | 267.00 |
| Total disbursements | $723,270.28 | $529,979.29 |
| *Summary:* | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of fiscal year | $103,006.51 | $ 65,651.59 |
| Receipts | 692,524.97 | 567,334.21 |
| | $795,531.48 | $632,985.80 |
| Disbursements | 723,270.28 | 529,979.29 |
| Cash balance, end of fiscal year | $ 72,261.20 | $103,006.51 |
| *Administration Fund:* | | |
| Receipts: | | |
| Apportionment—Part I | $ 78,517.50 | $ 69,075.00 |
| Apportionment—Part II | .... | 22,372.04 |
| Contribution | .... | 2.00 |
| Total receipts | $ 78,517.50 | $ 91,449.04 |
| Disbursements: | | |
| Salaries, Pensions and Allowances (Schedule E-I) | $ 62,747.85 | $ 53,286.52 |
| Operating expenses (Schedule E-II) | 15,930.07 | 14,890.48 |
| Furniture and equipment | 239.49 | 778.66 |
| Travel and meeting expense: | | |
| Executive Board | 7,465.41 | 4,953.22 |
| Executive Board committees | 246.36 | 108.23 |
| Synodical visitations | 2,492.24 | 2,136.41 |
| General Church Treasury for National Lutheran Council budget deficiency | 1,936.11 | .... |
| Total disbursements | $ 91,057.53 | $ 76,153.52 |

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|---|---|---|
| Summary: | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of fiscal year | $ 29,384.38 | $ 14,088.86 |
| Receipts | 78,517.50 | 91,449.04 |
| | $107,901.88 | $105,537.90 |
| Disbursements | 91,057.53 | 76,153.52 |
| Cash balance, end of fiscal year | $ 16,844.35 | $ 29,384.38 |

*U.L.C.A. Committees and Appropriations:*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Receipts: | | |
| Apportionment Part I | $ 51,685.00 | $ 94,250.00 |
| Apportionment Part II | 44,451.00 | 69,908.52 |
| Double Apportionment | .... | 15,000.00 |
| Contribution | .... | 25.00 |
| Proceeds of investments | 89,771.55 | .... |
| Interest on investments | 228.45 | .... |
| The United Lutheran Publication House—Contribution for Church House mortgage | 16,000.00 | .... |
| | $202,136.00 | $179,183.52 |
| Disbursements: | | |
| Purchase of temporary investments | $ 39,897.20 | $ 49,874.35 |
| Committee and commission expenses (Schedule E-III) | 11,530.98 | 9,781.51 |
| Appropriations (Schedule E-IV) | 163,412.90 | 116,122.86 |
| Investment income to Apportionment Fund | 228.45 | .... |
| Total disbursements | $215,069.53 | $175,778.72 |
| Summary: | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of fiscal year | $ 30,766.40 | $ 27,361.60 |
| Receipts | 202,136.00 | 179,183.52 |
| | $232,902.40 | $206,545.12 |
| Disbursements | 215,069.53 | 175,778.72 |
| Cash balance, end of fiscal year | $ 17,832.87 | $ 30,766.40 |
| Investments | .... | 49,874.35 |
| Fund balance, end of fiscal year | $ 17,832.87 | $ 80,640.75 |

*Stewardship Fund:*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Receipts: | | |
| Apportionment: | | |
| Part I | $105,002.00 | $ 35,000.00 |
| Part II—1948 | .... | 70,000.00 |
| Part II—1949 advanced | 20,000.00 | 40,000.00 |
| Appropriations from Lutheran Laymen's Movement for: | | |
| Salary | 9,966.66 | 8,500.00 |
| 1947 motion picture | .... | 5,000.00 |
| 1948 motion picture | .... | 10,000.00 |
| 1949 motion picture | 15,000.00 | ... |
| Contribution | .... | 25.00 |
| Receipts from recording sales | .... | 609.06 |
| Total receipts | $149,968.66 | $169,134.06 |
| Disbursements: | | |
| Salaries, Pensions and Allowances (Schedule I) | $ 31,134.64 | $ 33,086.22 |
| Operating expenses (Schedule E II) | 40,443.80 | 43,159.33 |
| Furniture and equipment | 189.10 | 554.23 |
| Travel | 4,070.97 | 3,647.20 |

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|---|---|---|
| Major meetings | (148.68) | 3,145.98 |
| Motion pictures: |  |  |
| "And Now I See"—1947 | .... | 76.19 |
| "Salt of the Earth"—1948 | 80.02 | 35,477.03 |
| "Like a Mighty Army"—1949 | 31,983.75 | 40,411.73 |
| "For Good or Evil"—1950 | 20,600.93 | .... |
| Film strips and records | 11.25 | 186.75 |
| Every member visitation | .... | (124.30) |
| Advance for Stewardship conference expense | 5,000.00 | .... |
| Total disbursements | $133,365.78 | $159,620.36 |
| Summary: |  |  |
| Cash balance, beginning of fiscal year | $ 12,916.76 | $ 11,545.93 |
| Less: Transfer to motion picture reserve fund | .... | 8,142.87 |
|  | $ 12,916.76 | $ 3,403.06 |
| Receipts | 149,968.66 | 169,134.06 |
|  | $162,885.42 | $172,537.12 |
| Disbursements | 133,365.78 | 159,620.36 |
| Cash balance, end of fiscal year | $ 29,519.64 | $ 12,916.76 |
| Advance for expenses | 5,000.00 | .... |
| Fund balance, end of fiscal year | $ 34,519.64 | $ 12,916.76 |
| *Biennial Convention Fund:* |  |  |
| Receipts: |  |  |
| Apportionment: |  |  |
| Part I | $ 35,000.00 | $ 20,000.00 |
| Part II—1950 Convention | 5,000.00 | 7,500.00 |
| Part II—1952 Convention | 17,500.00 | 17,500.00 |
| Interest on investments | 343.67 | 167.27 |
| Proceeds of temporary investments | 30,031.33 | 35,153.10 |
| Total receipts | $ 87,875.00 | $ 80,320.37 |
| Disbursements: |  |  |
| 1948 Philadelphia Convention: |  |  |
| Pre-Convention arrangements | .... | $ 135.91 |
| Nominating Committee | .... | 868.12 |
| Auditorium expense | .... | 4,475.99 |
| Organ and Organist | .... | 90.00 |
| Delegates travel | .... | 22,317.89 |
| Officers and staff | .... | 1,139.08 |
| Telephone, telegrams, postage and express | .... | 158.51 |
| Supplies | .... | 71.76 |
| Publicity | .... | 905.74 |
| Recording | .... | 76.00 |
| Ballots and voting | .... | 779.14 |
| Programs and hymnals | .... | 801.29 |
| Daily minutes and bulletins | .... | 441.57 |
| Printing | .... | 1,186.10 |
| Convention minutes | $ 3,802.99 | 10,015.00 |
| Miscellaneous | .... | 537.33 |
| 1950 Des Moines Convention: |  |  |
| Auditorium expense | 300.00 | .... |
| Pre-Convention arrangements | 97.04 | .... |
| Purchase of temporary investments | 97,048.76 | 30,031.33 |
| Total disbursements | $101,248.79 | $ 74,030.76 |

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Brackets (  ) denote red figures

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|---|---|---|
| Summary: | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of fiscal year | $ 13,959.36 | $ 7,669.75 |
| Receipts | 87,875.00 | 80,320.37 |
| | $101,834.36 | $ 87,990.12 |
| Disbursements | 101,248.79 | 74,030.76 |
| Cash balance, end of fiscal year | $ 585.57 | $ 13,959.36 |
| Investments | 97,048.76 | 30,031.33 |
| Fund balance, end of fiscal year | $ 97,634.33 | $ 43,990.69 |

*Committee of Executive Secretaries:*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Receipts | .... | .... |
| Disbursements: | | |
| Printing and mimeographing | $ 1,129.52 | $ 35.40 |
| Summary: | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of fiscal year | $ 1,374.55 | $ 1,409.95 |
| Receipts | .... | .... |
| | $ 1,374.55 | $ 1,409.95 |
| Disbursements | 1,129.52 | 35.40 |
| Cash balance, end of fiscal year | $ 245.03 | $ 1,374.55 |

*Children of the Church Account:*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Receipts: | | |
| From Synods | .... | $ 15,580.85 |
| Disbursements: | | |
| Children of the Church Treasury for administration | .... | $ 2,000.00 |
| Distribution: | | |
| Board of American Missions | .... | 3,959.29 |
| Board of Foreign Missions | .... | 3,959.29 |
| Board of Deaconess Work | .... | 1,319.62 |
| Board of Pensions and Relief | .... | 1,451.63 |
| Board of Education | .... | 1,319.62 |
| Board of Social Missions | .... | 1,319.62 |
| Parish and Church School Board | .... | 1,187.62 |
| National Lutheran Council, Inc. | .... | 2,639.66 |
| Total disbursements | .... | $ 19,156.35 |
| Summary: | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of fiscal year | .... | $ 3,575.50 |
| Receipts | .... | 15,580.85 |
| | .... | $ 19,156.35 |
| Disbursements | .... | 19,156.35 |
| Cash balance, end of fiscal year | .... | .... |

NOTE—Effective January 31, 1949 a separate account was established for the Children of the Church, transactions covering the period from February 1, 1949 to June 30, 1949 and July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 are reported in Exhibit "F" of this report.

*Motion Picture Reserve Fund:*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Receipts: | | |
| Rental and sale of motion pictures: | | |
| "And Now I See"—1947 | $ 25,937.42 | $ 19,137.62 |
| "Salt of the Earth"—1948 | 10,639.67 | 12,262.75 |
| "Like a Mighty Army"—1949 | 2,681.09 | .... |
| | $ 39,258.18 | $ 31,400.37 |
| Income on investments | 439.15 | .... |
| Proceeds of temporary investments | 128,816.11 | .... |
| Total receipts | $168,513.44 | $ 31,400.37 |
| Disbursements: | | |
| Purchase of temporary investments | $175,885.76 | $ 24,937.18 |
| Summary: | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of fiscal year (July 1, 1948 balance transferred from Stewardship Fund) | $ 14,606.06 | $ 8,142.87 |
| Receipts | 168,513.44 | 31,400.37 |
| | $183,119.50 | $ 39,543.24 |
| Disbursements | 175,885.76 | 24,937.18 |
| Cash balance, end of fiscal year | $ 7,233.74 | $ 14,606.06 |
| Investments | 72,006.83 | 24,937.18 |
| Fund balance, end of fiscal year | $ 79,240.57 | $ 39,543.24 |

*Christian Higher Education Year (CHEY) Fund:*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Receipts: | | |
| Contributions from Synods | $ 1,062.42 | $ 266.00 |
| Refund of net expenses from CHEY Account | 4,451.95 | .... |
| Total receipts | $ 5,514.37 | $ 266.00 |
| Disbursements: | | |
| Appeal expenses advanced | $ 5,513.37 | $ 267.00 |
| Summary: | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of fiscal year | $ (1.00) | .... |
| Receipts | 5,514.37 | $ 266.00 |
| | $ 5,513.37 | $ 266.00 |
| Disbursements | 5,513.37 | 267.00 |
| Fund balance, end of fiscal year | | $ (1.00) |

Brackets ( ) denote red figures

NOTE—In accordance with the action taken by the Executive Board a separate CHEY Account was established as of August 12, 1949. All of the above transactions are reflected in the statement covering that account.

SCHEDULE "E-I"

## Salaries, Pensions and Allowances

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 |
|---|---|---|
| *Administration Fund:* | | |
| President, Rev. Franklin Clark Fry, D.D.: | | |
| Salary | $ 10,125.00 | $ 9,000.00 |
| Residence allowance | 2,062.54 | 2,250.00 |

Brackets ( ) denote red figures

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Secretary, Rev. F. Eppling Reinartz, D.D.: | | |
| Salary | 7,500.00 | 7,500.00 |
| Residence allowance | 1,900.02 | 1,600.00 |
| Former Secretary, Rev. W. H. Greever, D.D.: | | |
| Retirement allowance | 3,000.00 | 3,000.00 |
| Assistant to the President, Rev. George F. Harkins: (From June 1, 1949) | | |
| Salary | 5,000.00 | 416.71 |
| Residence allowance | 1,200.00 | 100.00 |
| Comptroller, Carl A. Warden, salary | 6,500.00 | 6,125.04 |
| Office secretarial and clerical personnel, salaries | 23,641.16 | 22,069.38 |
| Pension contributions: | | |
| Officers | 1,132.19 | 814.00 |
| Lay workers | 686.94 | 411.39 |
| | $ 62,747.85 | $ 53,286.52 |

*Stewardship* **Fund:**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Executive Secretary, Dr. Clarence C. Stoughton (to August 31, 1949): | | |
| Salary | $ 1,416.66 | $ 8,500.00 |
| Expense allowance | 333.32 | 2,000.00 |
| Executive Secretary, Henry Endress: (From September 1, 1949): | | |
| Salary | 6,999.99 | .... |
| Expense allowance | 249.99 | .... |
| Associate Secretary, Henry Endress (to August 31, 1949): | | |
| Salary | 1,166.66 | 6,749.98 |
| Expense allowance | 166.66 | 1,000.00 |
| Associate Secretary, Z. B. Trexler: | | |
| Salary | 6,000.00 | 5,749.98 |
| Associate Secretary, John R. Weaver (from January 1, 1950): | | |
| Salary | 3,000.00 | .... |
| Office secretarial and clerical personnel, salaries | 10,800.63 | 7,950.12 |
| Pension contributions | 1,000.73 | 1,136.14 |
| | $ 31,134.64 | $ 33,086.22 |

SCHEDULE "E-II"

## Operating Expenses

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | Administration Fund | | Stewardship Fund | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 7/1/49 to 6/30/50 | 7/1/48 to 6/30/49 | 7/1/49 to 6/30/50 | 7/1/48 to 6/30/49 |
| Maintenance | $ 6,106.20 | $ 5,708.70 | $ 3,007.56 | $ 3,007.56 |
| Telephone and telegraph | 1,156.51 | 1,185.26 | 846.51 | 459.04 |
| Printing and stationery | 3,234.91 | 4,250.50 | 21,089.80 | 25,977.49 |
| Postage and express | 1,231.99 | 1,143.54 | 9,347.76 | 7,114.33 |
| I.B.M. rental and service | .... | 694.63 | .... | .... |
| Auditing | 950.00 | 900.00 | .... | .... |
| Fidelity Bond (3-year policy) | .... | 328.86 | .... | 75.00 |
| Miscellaneous | 2,218.06 | 678.99 | 550.76 | 508.14 |
| Addressograph service | .... | .... | .... | 1,254.00 |
| Statistics and Year Book | 595.82 | .... | .... | .... |
| Moving expense—staff | 436.58 | .... | .... | .... |
| Packing and shipping | .... | .... | 5,601.41 | 4,763.77 |
| | $15,930.07 | $14.890.48 | $40,443.80 | $43,159.33 |

SCHEDULE "E-III"

## Commission and Committee Expenses

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 |
|---|---|---|
| *Commissions:* | | |
| Allocation | $ 1,176.47 | $ 1,811.94 |
| Adjudication | 28.72 | 544.37 |
| Investment | 967.98 | 497.22 |
| Relations to American Lutheran Bodies | 323.18 | 986.52 |
| Federal Council of Churches | 1,247.81 | 1,469.70 |
| For the Study of Titles of U.L.C.A. Officers | 164.08 | .... |
| *Committees:* | | |
| Church Papers | 668.18 | 785.53 |
| Army and Navy Work | 12.94 | 243.08 |
| Church Architecture | 861.41 | 591.01 |
| Church Music | 638.92 | .... |
| Church Statistics and Year Book | 239.00 | .... |
| Common Service Book | 2,898.70 | 2,458.07 |
| German Interests | 271.12 | 194.57 |
| Publicity | 185.88 | 173.60 |
| Transportation | 52.80 | 13.21 |
| Faith and Life | 1,793.79 | 12.69 |
| | $ 11,530.98 | $ 9,781.51 |

SCHEDULE "E-IV"

## Appropriations

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 |
|---|---|---|
| Luther League of America | $ 8,302.00 | $ 9,600.00 |
| Luther League of America—1949 Loyalty program | 2,979.49 | 1,912.82 |
| Children of the Church Administration, Parish and Church School Board | | 3,249.96 |
| Children of the Church Treasury for Administration | 4,500.00 | 4,500.00 |
| *Kirchliches Monatsblatt* | 1,650.00 | 2,066.62 |
| To reduce indebtedness on building fund loan and mortgage | 35,250.00 | 5,000.00 |
| The *Lutheran* | | 7,500.00 |
| American Bible Society | 15,001.96 | 20,000.00 |
| Federal Council of Churches | 11,333.33 | 8,000.00 |
| British and Foreign Bible Society | 200.00 | 200.00 |
| World Council of Churches | | 11,779.26 |
| Lutheran World Federation | 1,405.80 | 3,160.00 |
| National Lutheran Council—Student Service Centers | 27,500.00 | 27,500.00 |
| Publicity | 4,841.00 | 1,314.02 |
| Extraordinary repairs—Church House | 17,350.00 | 5,150.00 |
| World Council of Churches | 22,162.24 | ... |
| Knubel-Miller lectures | 3,700.00 | .... |
| Radio Work | 5,000.00 | .... |
| Protestant Radio Commission | 2,000.00 | .... |
| Periodic Meetings: | | |
| World Council of Churches | 237.08 | 5,212.99 |
| National Lutheran Council | .... | (22.81) |
| | $163,412.90 | $116,122.86 |

Brackets ( ) denote red figures

EXHIBIT "F"

## CHILDREN OF THE CHURCH TREASURY

### Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

*February 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | Febr'y 1, 1949 to June 30, 1949 |
|---|---|---|
| *Receipts* | | |
| From Synods | $ 18,624.79 | $ 3,447.72 |
| Apportionment—Part I for administration | 4,500.00 | 4,500.00 |
| Executive Board Treasury for administration | .... | 2,000.00 |
| Total receipts | $ 23,124.79 | $ 9,947.72 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| For Administration: | | |
| Children of the Church Treasury Parish and Church School Board | $ 6.497.96 | $ 3,250.04 |
| Distribution: | | |
| Board of American Missions | 3,812.27 | .... |
| Board of Foreign Missions | 3,812.27 | ... |
| Board of Deaconess Work | 1,394.69 | .. . |
| Board of Pensions and Relief | 1,269.10 | .... |
| Board of Education | 1,269.10 | .... |
| Board of Social Missions | 1,269.10 | .... |
| Parish and Church School Board | 1,156.73 | .... |
| National Lutheran Council, Lutheran World Action | 2,541.52 | .... |
| Total disbursements | $ 23,022.74 | $ 3,250.04 |
| *Summary:* | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of period | $ 6,697.68 | .... |
| Receipts | 23,124.79 | $ 9,947.72 |
| | $ 29,822.47 | $ 9,947.72 |
| Disbursements | 23,022.74 | 3,250.04 |
| Cash balance, end of period | $ 6,799.73 | $ 6,697.68 |

NOTE—Transactions for the period from July 1, 1948 to January 31, 1949 are included in the statement of the Executive Board Treasury under the heading "Children of the Church Account."

## ACCOUNTANT'S CERTIFICATE

The United Lutheran Church in America
New York, New York

We have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of The United Lutheran Church in America for the years ended June 30, 1950 and June 30, 1949. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying balance sheets and statements of cash receipts and disbursements present fairly the financial position of the Treasurer of The United Lutheran Church in America as at June 30, 1950 and June 30, 1949, and the results of its operations for the years then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding biennium.

TAIT, WELLER & BAKER
*Certified Public Accountants*

New York, New York
July 18, 1950

The treasurer moved that the report of the auditors be adopted. The motion was carried.

The president then recognized the Rev. Dwight F. Putman, chairman, to present the report of the Committee on Nominations:
(For elections, see pp. 725-727, 877, 878)

### EXECUTIVE BOARD

Term expiring 1954, 3 clerical and 3 lay members to be elected

| NAME | ADDRESS | OCCUPATION | SYNOD |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Clerical** | | | |
| Boliek, Wynne C. | Columbia, S. C. | Pastor | SC |
| Brown, P. D. | Salisbury, N. C. | Pastor | NC |
| Putman, Dwight F. | Harrisburg, Pa. | Synod President | CP |
| Scherer, J. J., Jr. | Richmond, Va. | Pastor | Va |
| Schmieder, John H. | Kitchener, Ont., Canada | Pastor | Cn |
| Speaker, Lewis P. | Austin, Tex. | Synod President | Tx |
| **Lay** | | | |
| Bischoff, Norman E. | Toledo, Ohio | Attorney | O |
| Hare, B. B. | Saluda, S. C. | Attorney | SC |
| List, Erwin H. | Chicago, Ill. | Real Estate Broker | Il |
| Rights, Eugene H. | Denver, Colo. | Partner—Acetylene Service Co. | RM |
| Wolf, Herman B. | Charlotte, N. C. | Operating Supt. Duke Power Co | NC |
| Zimmerman, William F. | Greenville, Pa. | College President | Pg |

### COMMISSION OF ADJUDICATION

Term expiring 1956, 2 clerical and 1 lay member to be elected

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Clerical** | | | |
| Billheimer, Stanley | Palmyra, Pa. | Retired Pastor | CP |
| Pershing, Benjamin H. | Springfield, Ohio | College Professor | O |
| Rinde, Thomas D. | Fremont, Nebr. | Seminary Professor | Ia |
| Sutter, Frederic | Staten Island, N. Y. | Pastor | NY |
| **Lay** | | | |
| Baldwin, George A. | Rochester, Pa. | Attorney | Pg |
| Orth, Charles E., Sr. | Baltimore, Md. | Attorney | Md |

### BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

Term expiring 1956, 4 clerical and 3 lay members to be elected

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Clerical** | | | |
| Erb, Earl S. | Philadelphia, Pa. | Synodical Secretary | PM |
| Kahlenberg, Henry V. | St. Petersburg, Fla. | Pastor | Fla |
| Keck, A. H., Sr. | Richmond, Ind. | Pastor | Ind |
| Lotz, Albert W. | Kitchener, Ont., Can. | Pastor | Cn |
| Rudisill, Jacob E. | Harrisburg, Pa. | Pastor | CP |
| Schillinger, George W. | Charleston, W. Va. | Pastor | WV |
| Yost, John L., Sr. | Columbia, S. C. | Seminary President | GA |
| Zeidler, C. H. | Appleton, Wis. | Pastor | Nw |
| **Lay** | | | |
| Bischoff, John C. W. | Charleston, S. C. | Real Estate Broker | SC |
| Boozer, Herman W. | Atlanta, Ga. | Vice-Pres., Georgia Power Co. | GA |
| Kleitz, Miss Dorothy M. | Wilmington, Del. | Synodical Treas., W.M.S. | PM |
| Mauney, Aubrey | Kings Mountain, N. C. | Textile Manufacturer | NC |
| Metzger, Alvin | Hanover, Ont., Canada | Pres. and Mgr. Wm. Knechtel & Son Ltd. Milling Company | Cn |
| Moller, M. P., Jr. | Hagerstown, Md. | Pipe Organ Manuf. | Md |

## BOARD OF AMERICAN MISSIONS AND WEST INDIES MISSION BOARD

Term expiring 1956, 4 clerical and 3 lay members to be elected

| NAME | ADDRESS | OCCUPATION | SYNOD |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Clerical** | | | |
| Hanson, Henry W. A. | Gettysburg, Pa. | College President | CP |
| Hoh, Paul J. | Philadelphia, Pa. | Seminary President | PM |
| Jacobi, Albert G. | Waterloo, Ont., Can. | Pastor | Cn |
| Ludwig, Frederick R. | Postville, Iowa | Pastor | Ia |
| Madsen, Frank P. | Detroit, Mich. | Pastor | Mh |
| Mahl, Herbert H. | Fort Plain, N. Y. | Pastor | NY |
| Morack, E. Ray | Racine, Wis. | Pastor | Wg |
| Rasmussen, H. T. | Minneapolis, Minn. | Pastor | Nw |
| **Lay** | | | |
| Denny, Lucius A. | Columbia, S. C. | Real Estate & Ins. | SC |
| Downing, L. V. | Minneapolis, Minn. | Dentist | Nw |
| Drinhaus, Fred W. | Chicago, Ill. | Real Estate & Ins. | Wg |
| Fuss, Merwyn C. | Taneytown, Md. | Funeral Director | Md |
| Korn, John C. | Rutherford, N. J. | Investment Broker | NJ |
| Schust, Clarence L. | Fort Wayne, Ind. | President, Industrial Roofing Co. | Ind |

## BOARD OF SOCIAL MISSIONS

Term expiring 1956, 4 clerical and 3 lay members to be elected

| NAME | ADDRESS | OCCUPATION | SYNOD |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Clerical** | | | |
| Curran, George J. | Dixon, Ill. | Pastor | Il |
| Dozer, Reginald E. | Washington, Pa. | Pastor | Pg |
| Kulman, Ray E. | Schenectady, N. Y. | Pastor | NY |
| Lehmann, H. T. | Waterloo, Ont., Can. | College President | Cn |
| Rhoads, Luke H. | Altoona, Pa. | Pastor | CP |
| Ruoss, G. Martin | Philadelphia, Pa. | Pastor | PM |
| Whittecar, George R. | Tulsa, Okla. | Pastor | Ks |
| Zimman, William C. | Dayton, Ohio | Pastor | O |
| **Lay** | | | |
| Evjen, Victor H. | Washington, D. C. | Asst. Chief, U.S. Probation System | Md |
| Graber, Harvey J. | Kitchener, Ont., Can. | Merchant | Cn |
| Grede, Arthur L. | Wauwautosa, Wis. | Vice-Pres., Grede Foundries | Nw |
| Hamer, Robert C. | Washington, D. C. | Chief, Housing Quality & Facilities Section, Bureau of Census | Md |
| Patrick, William H., Jr. | Philadelphia, Pa. | Transportation and Shipping Exec. | CP |
| Smith, Mrs. G. Morris | Selinsgrove, Pa. | Home-maker | CP |

## BOARD OF DEACONESS WORK

Term expiring 1956, 2 clerical and 3 lay members to be elected

| NAME | ADDRESS | OCCUPATION | SYNOD |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Clerical** | | | |
| Auman, Russell Frank | New York, N. Y. | Pastor | NY |
| Baughman, Harry F. | Gettysburg, Pa. | Seminary Professor | CP |
| McCreary, George B. | Sheboygan, Wis. | Pastor | Nw |
| Trede, Eldred H. | Peoria, Ill. | Pastor | Il |
| **Lay** | | | |
| Boliek, Luther G. | Hickory, N. C. | Merchant | NC |
| Burroughs, Sister Louise | Philadelphia, Pa. | Faculty Member, Lankenau Hospital School of Nursing | PM |
| Dysinger, Miss Frances | Philadelphia, Pa. | Promotional Sec'y—WMS | PM |
| Freese, Sister Marie | Mont Clare, Pa. | Director, River Crest Preventorium | PM |
| Hanzlik, Charles J. | Baltimore, Md. | Vice-Pres. & Treas., Equitable Trust Co. | Md |
| Schulz, Otto F. | Chicago, Ill. | Manufacturer—Pres. Autom. Typewriter Co. | Il |

## BOARD OF PENSIONS AND RELIEF

Term expiring 1956, 3 lay members to be elected by the convention

| NAME | ADDRESS | OCCUPATION | SYNOD |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Lay** | | | |
| Henninger, James F. | Allentown, Pa. | Judge | PM |
| Martin, John W. | Washington, D. C. | Executive Southern Railroad | Md |
| Mueller, Fred C. | Minneapolis, Minn. | Sec'y. & Ass't Treasurer Lutheran Brotherhood Insurance | Nw |
| Rice, John S. | Biglerville, Pa. | Vice-Pres. & Gen. Mgr. Rice, Trew & Rice | CP |
| Schulz, Carl | Chicago, Ill. | Attorney | Il |
| Spong, Harper W. | Harrisburg, Pa. | President-Director Dauphin Deposit Trust Co. | CP |

## BOARD OF EDUCATION

Term expiring 1956, 4 clerical and 3 lay members to be elected

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Clerical** | | | |
| Folkemer, Lawrence D. | Bethesda, Md. | Professor | Md |
| Lesher, Leland H. | Lincoln, Nebr. | Pastor | Nb |
| Schulz, Rudolph G. | Knoxville, Tenn. | Pastor | Va |
| Tambert, Carl V. | Glendale, Calif. | Pastor | Cf |
| Whetstone, John W. | Muncy, Pa. | Pastor | CP |
| White, Paul C. | New York, N. Y. | Synodical Secretary | NY |
| Yoder, Henry O. | Ann Arbor, Mich. | Pastor | Mh |
| Young, D. Bruce | Shelby, Ohio | Pastor | O |
| **Lay** | | | |
| Dokmo, Rolf E. | Park Ridge, Ill. | Attorney & Mgr. Book Publishing Firm | Il |
| Gladfelter, Millard E. | Philadelphia, Pa. | University Executive | PM |
| Hartung, Miss Helene | New York, N. Y. | University Professor | NY |
| Hess, Walter E. | Bethesda, Md. | Managing Editor Publications for secondary school principals in N. E. A. | Md |
| McAllister, R. Brown | Concord, N. C. | Supt. Public Schools | NC |
| Schaediger, Alvin | Cliffside Park, N. J. | Public School Teacher | NJ |

## PARISH AND CHURCH SCHOOL BOARD

Term expiring 1956, 3 clerical and 1 lay member to be elected

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Clerical** | | | |
| Doll, Donald G. | Wynnewood, Pa. | Pastor | CP |
| Freed, Walter Bitner | Charlotte, N. C. | Pastor | NC |
| Hann, Harold L. | Fairmont, W. Va. | Pastor | WV |
| Himmelman, G. Lawrence | Pittsburgh, Pa. | Synod President | Pg |
| Mueller, Frederick F. | Springfield, Ohio | Pastor | O |
| Renz, Paul J. | Hammond, Ind. | Pastor | Id |
| **Lay** | | | |
| Geisel, Horace | Harrisburg, Pa. | Supt. of Health and Physical Ed. | CP |
| Olson, Carl | Fremont, Nebr. | Promotional Developer | Nb |

## BOARD OF PUBLICATION

Term expiring 1956, 4 clerical and 3 lay members to be elected

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Clerical** | | | |
| Deitz, Reginald C. | Columbia, Pa. | Pastor | PM |
| Harman, J. Paul | Greensburg, Pa. | Pastor | Pg |
| Lange, Melvin S. | Staunton, Va. | Pastor | Va |

| NAME | ADDRESS | OCCUPATION | SYNOD |
|---|---|---|---|
| Puls, Charles A. | Madison, Wis. | Pastor | Nw |
| Rasmussen, C. C. | Gettysburg, Pa. | Seminary Professor | Md |
| Schmidt, John | Toledo, Ohio | Pastor | O |
| Stuff, John C. | Baltimore, Md. | Pastor | Md |
| Tappert, Theodore G. | Philadelphia, Pa. | Seminary Professor | PM |

**Lay**

| NAME | ADDRESS | OCCUPATION | SYNOD |
|---|---|---|---|
| Derrick, Noah E. | Columbia, S. C. | C.P.A. | SC |
| Fisher, James L. | Salisbury, N. C. | Pres, Wachovia Bank and Trust Co. | NC |
| Hanke, O. A. | Mount Morris, Ill. | Publisher of Farm Magazines | Il |
| Keiner, Harry C. | Kew Gardens, L. I., N. Y. | Pres., Keiner-Williams Stamping Co. | NY |
| Walker, Herbert T. | Shaker Heights, Ohio | Gen'l. Mgr., Newspaper Enterprise Asst. | O |
| Weber, Carl N. | Kitchener, Ont., Canada | President, Weber Hardware Co., Ltd. | Cn |

## COMMITTEE ON CHURCH PAPERS

Term expiring 1956, 2 clerical and 1 lay member to be elected

**Clerical**

| NAME | ADDRESS | OCCUPATION | SYNOD |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cooper, David F. | Hickory, N. C. | Pastor | NC |
| Horn, Edward T. | Allentown, Pa. | College Professor | PM |
| Venable, Charles Leslie | Harrisburg, Pa. | Pastor | CP |
| Walborn, E. Rudolph | West Carrollton, Ohio | Pastor | O |

**Lay**

| NAME | ADDRESS | OCCUPATION | SYNOD |
|---|---|---|---|
| Heissenbuttel, Ernest G. | Greenville, Pa. | College Professor | Pg |
| Reck, W. Emerson | Springfield, Ohio | Vice-President, Wittenberg College | O |

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE LAYMEN'S MOVEMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP

Term expiring 1952, 10 laymen to be elected by the convention

**Lay**

| NAME | ADDRESS | OCCUPATION | SYNOD |
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| Anderson, Walker A. | Hamilton, Ont., Canada | Owner, Tire Company | Cn |
| Bodie, B. T. | Columbia, S. C. | Merchant (Vice-Pres., Treas. & Mgr. | SC |
| Cummings, Robert | Pasadena, Calif. | Businessman | Cf |
| Erb, Frederick G. | Elverson, Pa. | Bank President | PM |
| Esser, Charles H. | Kutztown, Pa. | Owner-Publisher, Kutztown Pub. Co. | PM |
| Folkemer, Paul I. | Baltimore, Md. | Owner, Photo Supplies | Md |
| Graf, Alexander | Saskatoon, Sask., Canada | Stewardship Sec'y. Synod | WC |
| Hagan, Peter P. | Philadelphia, Pa. | Chairman of Board, Carpet Mfg. Co. | PM |
| Hickman, Thomas P. | Washington, D. C. | Vice-Pres., Bank | Md |
| Landis, Harold U. | Lebanon, Pa. | Owner, Lumber and Petroleum Co. | CP |
| Markward, Theodore | Toledo, Ohio | Attorney | O |
| Mauney, W. K. | Kings Mountain, N. C. | Textile Manufacturer | NC |
| Nissly, Alvin R. | Hanover, Pa. | Realtor | CP |
| Roe, Clarence E. | Minneapolis, Minn. | Accountant | Nw |
| Schust, Clarence L. | Fort Wayne, Ind. | President, Industrial Roofing Co. | Id |
| Speckman, Lawrence F. | Louisville, Ky. | Judge | KT |
| Stackel, William H. | Rochester, N. Y. | Vice-Pres. & Trust Officer of Bank | NY |
| Telleen, S. Frederick | Ridgewood, N. J. | Treas. Board of American Missions | NY |
| Walter, Henry G. | Chicago, Ill. | President—Steel Corp. | Il |
| Zehr, Edward G. | St. Albans, L. I., N. Y. | Accountant | NY |

The following nominations were presented from the floor:

*Board of Foreign Missions*
The Rev. Lorin J. Wolff, Lincoln, Nebraska, Synod President, Midwest Synod
The Rev. Walter D. Spangler, Park Ridge, Illinois, Pastor, Illinois Synod
The Rev. T. Benton Peery, Wichita, Kansas, Pastor, Kansas Synod
Mr. Fred G. Kraft, Bellaire, New York, Banker, New York Synod

*Board of American Missions*
The Rev. Daniel J. Adamcik, Minneapolis, Minnesota, Synod President, Pastor, Slovak-Zion Synod
The Rev. Richard W. Albert, Lawrence, Kansas, Pastor, Kansas Synod
The Rev. Wilfried C. H. Tappert, Mt. Vernon, New York, Pastor, New York Synod

*Board of Social Missions*
The Rev. Harold Haas, Jersey City, New Jersey, Pastor, New Jersey Synod

*Board of Publication*
The Rev. Donald Heft, Oaklyn, New Jersey, Pastor, New Jersey Synod
The Rev. Luther W. Strickler, Norfolk, Virginia, Pastor, Virginia Synod

*Executive Committee of Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship*
Mr. Luther C. Boliek, Hickory, North Carolina, Merchant, North Carolina Synod
Dr. Clarence C. Stoughton, Springfield, Ohio, College President, Ohio Synod
Mr. C. H. Warner, Austin, Texas, Merchant, Texas Synod

It was moved and seconded that the nominations be closed. The motion was carried, and the president declared the nominations closed. (For elections, see pp. 725-727, 877, 878)

Mr. Virgil W. Doub, chairman of the Committee on Conduct of Elections, reported that the Rev. Franklin Clark Fry, having received 517 votes out of 531 votes cast for *President*, had received the required number of votes for election on the second ballot.

The secretary declared that the Rev. Franklin Clark Fry, having received more than three quarters of the votes cast, as required for election on this ballot, was elected president for the biennium 1951-1952.

The election of President Fry was greeted with sustained applause by the convention.

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The president announced that the next order of business was the election of a secretary and instructed the Committee on Conduct of Elections to distribute the blanks for the first ballot. The blanks were distributed.

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The chair recognized the Rev. Robert D. Hershey, secretary of the Committee on Church Papers, who, in accordance with By-laws, Section V, (d), (6), presented the committee's nominee for the editorship of *The Lutheran*. The committee's nominee was the Rev. G. Elson Ruff.
(For elections, see p. 727)

President Fry declared that the ballot for this office would be a "Yes-No" ballot, and, should the nominee fail of election, the Committee on Church Papers would be responsible to present a new nomination.

Mr. Virgil W. Doub, chairman of the Committee on Conduct of Elections, reported that the Rev. F. Eppling Reinartz had received 504 of the 525 votes cast for secretary.

The chair declared that the Rev. F. Eppling Reinartz, having received the majority of the votes cast, was elected Secretary of the Church for the biennium 1951-1952. The election of the secretary was greeted with applause.

The report of the Executive Board was taken up for consideration in the order of the items presented as special information, or for action.

## REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

(*Outline of Reports, see page 4*)

NOTE: An asterisk immediately preceding an item number in this report designates the item as one on which the Executive Board made a direct verbal report to the 1950 convention. See pages 75, 76 for a list of such items.

### I. CONCERNING THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

**1. Members**

President, Rev. Franklin Clark Fry; Secretary, Rev. F. Eppling Reinartz; Treasurer, Henry Beisler.

Term expires 1952: Rev. Henry H. Bagger; Rev. Oscar F. Blackwelder; Rev. F. R. Knubel; Otto K. Jensen; Virgil B. Sease; Robbin B. Wolf.

Term expires 1950: Rev. P. D. Brown; Rev. J. J. Scherer, Jr.; Rev. G. Morris Smith; A. L. Bulwinkle (resigned, October 12, 1949); James F. Henninger; Erwin H. List (elected, October 13, 1949); Charles B. Zimmerman.

**2. Committees of the Executive Board**

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board, the president reported his appointment of standing committees as follows:

*Committee on Boards and Committees*

Rev. Henry H. Bagger, Chairman
Rev. Frederick R. Knubel
Rev. J. J. Scherer, Jr.
Virgil B. Sease

*Committee on Constituent Synods*

Rev. G. Morris Smith, Chairman
Rev. Oscar F. Blackwelder
A. L. Bulwinkle (resigned, October 12, 1949)
Charles B. Zimmerman
Erwin H. List (elected, October 13, 1949)

*Finance Committee*

Henry Beisler, Chairman
Otto K. Jensen
Rev. F. Eppling Reinartz
Virgil B. Sease

*Legal Committee*

James F. Henninger, Chairman
A. L. Bulwinkle (resigned, October 12, 1949)
Robbin B. Wolf
Charles B. Zimmerman

*Committee on Interdenominational Relationships*

Rev. P. D. Brown, Chairman
Rev. Frederick R. Knubel
Rev. F. Eppling Reinartz
Robbin B. Wolf

*Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests*

Rev. Franklin Clark Fry, Chairman
Rev. Henry H. Bagger
Rev. Oscar F. Blackwelder
James F. Henninger

### 3. Suggestions to the 1950 Committee on Nominations

The Executive Board, at its meeting June 1950, voted to avail itself of the opportunity offered by the By-laws of the United Lutheran Church to suggest names for Executive Board vacancies to the 1950 convention's Committee on Nominations. The secretary was authorized to transmit the Executive Board's suggestions to the Committee on Nominations.

### 4. Preparation of report of Executive Board; assignment of starred items

At the meeting of the Executive Board, June 1950, the secretary of the Church was instructed to prepare the report of the Executive Board to the 1950 convention of the Church. At the same meeting it was agreed that the starring of items in the report for special presentation to the convention should take place at the October 3, 1950 meeting of the Executive Board in Des Moines, Iowa. Assignment of these starred items to members of the Board for presentation to the convention was also scheduled for the October 3, 1950 meeting.

At the October 3, 1950, meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report of starred items in the report of the Executive Board to the convention and RECOMMENDED the assignment of board members to make the presentation as indicated in the report below:

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| * 1. | III, 15, (b), pp. 126-127<br>The Rev. F. Eppling Reinartz | Knubel-Miller Lectures, proposal to raise $100,000 Endowment Fund. |
| † 2. | III, 33, (c), pp. 163-164<br>Dr. Otton K. Jensen | Proportion of U.L.C.A. budgets to be placed in Part II in future U.L.C.A. budgets |
| § 3. | III, 33, (d), pp. 164-165<br>S.B. of R., pp. 26-27<br>Dr. Henry Beisler | 1952 and 1953 U.L.C.A. budgets. |
| † 4. | IV, 1, pp. 171-173<br>Dr. Virgil B. Sease | Extension of "Special Pensions" for the years 1952 and 1953. |
| ‡ 5. | IV, 2, p. 173<br>Dr. Otto K. Jensen | Closing of U.L.C.A. Non-Contributory Pension Plan. |
| ‡ 6. | IV, 3, pp. 174-178<br>Dr. Robbin B. Wolf | Family Protection Plan. |
| † 7. | V, A, 2, pp. 187-189, 206-208<br>Hon. James F. Henninger | Linguistic Policy of U.L.C.A. in relation to new missions. |
| § 8. | V, B, 23, (f), 202-205<br>Hon. Charles B. Zimmerman | Application of Evangelical Lutheran Synod of New Jersey to become a constituent synod of The United Lutheran Church in America. |
| * 9. | V, B, 43, (a), (1) & (2), pp. 208-209<br>The Rev. F. Eppling Reinartz | Amendments of constitution of Evangelical Lutheran Church in Liberia in accordance with recommendations to that Church from the 1948 convention of the U.L.C.A. |

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| § 10. | V, B, 44, pp. 20-211<br>The Rev. O. F. Blackwelder | Reception of Associate Synods as Affiliated Churches. |
| ‡ 11. | VI, B, v, 5, pp. 246-248<br>The Rev G. Morris Smith | Revision of Proposed Article XV of the U.L.C.A.'s Constitution (Board of Foreign Missions). |
| * 12. | VI, C, v, 1, pp. 275-276<br>The Rev. F. Eppling Reinartz | New U.L.C.A. By-law regarding Common Service Book Committee to be reported at a future convention of the Church. |
| † 13. | VI, C, vii, 11, p. 290<br>Mr. Erwin H. List | Possible restudy of responsibility for producing and distributing audio-visual aids. |
| † 14. | VI, C, xi, 7, p. 301<br>The Rev. J. J. Scherer, Jr. | Proposal that "Committee on Radio and Television become By-law Standing Committee (Section VI, Item 1, h) of the U.L.C.A. By-laws." |
| † 15. | VIII, C, 1, pp. 427, 438-439<br>The Rev. Henry H. Bagger | Executive Board to have power, under certain circumstances, to concur or object to applications for membership in the World Council of Churches. |
| § 16. | VIII, D, 2, (a), pp. 479-482<br>The Rev. F. R. Knubel | Recommendations concerning the U.L.C.A. and the proposed NCCCUSA. |
| † 17. | VIII, E, 1, (i), Recomendations (4) & (5), pp. 486-502<br>The Rev. F. Eppling Reinartz | Survey of Interdenominational Relationships of U.L.C.A. synods; congregations and ministers; boards and agencies, including: *recommendation* asking the U.L.C.A. to ratify the action of the Executive Board setting up a procedure for review of proposals by synods to establish relationships with state and/or regional councils of churches and other interdenominational agencies. |
| † 18. | IX, 2, (c), pp. 528-534 | Faith and Life Report. |
| † 19. | IX, 14, pp. 554-555<br>The Rev. Henry H. Bagger | Fuller information on nominees to elective boards and agencies for biennial conventions. |
| * 20. | XI, 1, pp. 569-572<br>Dr. Virgil B. Sease | Auditor's report, Lutheran Church House. |

* To be reported to the convention, no action recommended
§ Scheduled in the official order of business
‡ Executive Board concurrence
† Stated recommendations

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board

**5. Resignation of the Hon. A. L. Bulwinkle from Executive Board**

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the president presented the following report and recommendation:

"Our esteemed colleague, the Hon. A. L. Bulwinkle, has been much in the prayers of the Executive Board during his protracted and painful illness. Although Congressman

Bulwinkle has now been able to return to his home after many months of confinement in the Naval Hospital at Bethesda, Maryland, he writes that his ability to attend future meetings of the Executive Board is problematical. For that reason and because he wants 'to do what is best' for the Church, he has submitted his resignation as a member of this board with a heavy heart on September 20, 1949. The letter of resignation follows:

> " 'My dear Dr. Fry:
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> " 'On account of my physical disabilities, I hereby tender my resignation as a Member of the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America.
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> " 'It is with deep regret that it has become necessary for me to resign from the Executive Board.
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> " 'Sincerely yours,
> (Signed)
> " ' A. L. Bulwinkle'

"RECOMMENDED that the Executive Board accept the resignation of the Hon. A. L. Bulwinkle as a member of this board with sincere regret and express to him our high appreciation of his exemplary faithfulness during his years of service on this board.

"And further that the secretary of the Church be instructed to convey to Congressman Bulwinkle the assurance of our continuing esteem and affection for him, together with our prayers that his life may be spared and his joy increased for many years to come."

The recommendations were adopted by the Executive Board.

The Executive Board took this further action: "Moved and carried that a special order be set for 9:00 A.M., October 13th for the election of a successor to the Hon. A. L. Bulwinkle, term expiring 1950."

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary presented the following report:

"In response to the official letter informing him of the Executive Board's acceptance with great regret of his resignation from membership on this Board, the Hon. A. L. Bulwinkle wrote as follows:

> " 'HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
> Washington, D. C.
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> " 'Gastonia, N. C.
> November 16, 1949
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> " 'Dear Dr. Reinartz:
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> " 'Your letter of November 10 has been received and much appreciated.
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> " 'I am deeply grateful for the kind expressions of the Members of the Board concerning my service with the Board.
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> " ' The prayers and kindness of all of you at the Church House are appreciated deeply. I regret that it is not possible for me to see more of each of you.
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> " 'Again thanking you, and with my very best wishes, I remain
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> " 'Sincerely yours,
> " '/s/ A. L. Bulwinkle' "

This item was received as information.

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Honorable Charles B.

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Zimmerman presented the following statement on the death of Congressman A. L. Bulwinkle:

> "The Executive Board has learned with sorrow of the death of Major Alfred L. Bulwinkle, on August 31, 1950, at his home in Gastonia, North Carolina. Major Bulwinkle was a valued member of this board from January 11, 1945 until his resignation on October 12, 1949, due to physical disabilities. A lawyer by profession, he devoted much of his time and talents to public service and was elected to the United States House of Representatives in 1921, where he served with distinction for many years, gaining national prominence as an able and conscientious legislator. He was a member of Congress at the time of his death. He was also interested in military affairs and for some eight years prior to World War I held the rank of captain in the North Carolina National Guard. During World War I he was a major commanding the 2nd Battalion of the 113th Field Artillery, 30th Division, A.E.F. To know Major Bulwinkle was to love him. He was a kindly, thoughtful person who loved and served his God, his Church and his fellow-men. His departure will be sincerely mourned by all those who came within the sphere of his life and influence."

After additional tributes were spoken informally by members of the Executive Board, the above expression of esteem and sorrow was adopted by a rising vote.

### 6. Election of Mr. Erwin H. List as member of Executive Board and his assignment to Committee on Constituent Synods

The minutes of the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board record the election of Mr. Erwin H. List to membership on the Executive Board as follows:

"The special order set to elect a successor to Executive Board member, the Hon. A. L. Bulwinkle, was the first order of business.

" A secret ballot was cast. Mr. Erwin H. List of Chicago, Illinois, a member of St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Park Ridge, Illinois, received a majority of the votes.

"The president declared Mr. Erwin H. List elected as a member of the Executive Board to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of the Hon. A. L. Bulwinkle, for the term expiring 1950."

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary presented the following report:

"In response to the official notification letter telling him of his election to membership on the Executive Board, Mr. Erwin H. List wrote as follows:

> " 'Dear Dr. Reinartz:
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> " 'Your official letter of the 14th advising that I had been elected to the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church reached me just as I was about to leave for Philadelphia to attend a stated meeting of our Board of Publication, in whose service I have found great satisfaction, and association with its Board members and Administrative Staff most congenial.
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> " 'For this reason I contemplate my resignation from that Board with real regret, but realize full well that as a member of the Executive Board it shall be my even greater privilege and true pleasure to serve our Lord through "the Whole Work of the Whole Church." I am therefore accepting the election to membership on the Executive Board of our beloved United Lutheran Church, with deeply felt appreciation of the honor and confidence extended to me by the Board and the officers of the Church.
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> " 'As I advised you during our telephone conversation of Tuesday, I am deeply conscious of and concerned over my definite limitations for effective participation in the manifold and complex activities of the Executive Board, but pledge you my best and unflagging efforts and pray that with God's help,

and a bit of forbearance on the part of the President, I may in time be able to be of some creditable help in the great task to which we are all committed.

" 'My sincere thanks again to you personally for the kind and generous sentiments expressed in your letter, as well as your comforting and truly encouraging words over the telephone;—they helped me tremendously in arriving at a prompt and joyful decision.

" 'With all good wishes,

" 'Very sincerely yours,

" '/s/ Erwin H. List' "

This item was received as information.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the president presented the following report:

"At this meeting we welcome Mr. Erwin List into the working fellowship of the Executive Board. The president has appointed Mr. List to serve on the Committee on Constituent Synods for the remainder of this biennium."

This item was received as information.

### 7. Assistant to the president

#### *(a) Assignment of Duties*

At the January 1949 meeting the president offered the following comments and recommendations concerning the assistant to the president:

"The 1948 convention authorized the Executive Board 'to engage an assistant to the president with such duties as may be prescribed by the Executive Board.' Since the intended purpose and duties of an assistant to the president are plainly implied in the title given to this new staff member,

"RESOLVED, That, aside from specific tasks laid upon the assistant to the president by action of the Executive Board from time to time, the president be entrusted with the assignment of duties to this assistant and with the full deployment of his time."

The resolution was adopted by the Executive Board.

#### *(b) Term of Office of Assistant to President*

"Since the president of the Church and the assistant to the president must live and work in close collaboration, both officially and personally, they must be compatible and congenial to an unusual degree for the sake of effective service. That fact argues that their terms of office should be identical in length. On the other hand, it will be desirable for a number of reasons for the assistant to the president to remain in office until April 1, three months after the beginning of each biennium. This arrangement will make it possible for the incoming president of the Church to be consulted by the Executive Board in the selection of the assistant to the president who is to work with him. It will also make it possible for the newly elected Executive Board for each biennium to elect this staff member at its first regular meeting. Under normal circumstances an individual invited to become assistant to the president in January would not be able to assume his post until April 1. In the event of a change of presidents, the successor president would undoubtedly appreciate having the outgoing experienced assistant to the president available for information and counsel during the first three months of his term even though he would intend to nominate another incumbent to aid him from April 1 on.

"RECOMMENDED that the term of the assistant to the president extend from April 1 in the first year of a U.L.C.A. biennium to April 1 in the first year of the following biennium."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

*(c) To Attend Meetings of the Executive Board*

"Since the assistant to the president will be a staff member of the Executive Board and since his service will touch so many departments of the Church's life,

"RECOMMENDED that the assistant to the president be invited to attend the meetings of the Executive Board."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

*(d) Consultant on Executive Board Committees*

"RECOMMENDED that............................................the assistant to the president shall be a consultant of Executive Board Committees as assigned by the president."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

*(e) To Attend Meetings of Other Boards and Agencies and Receive Minutes*

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board, on the recommendation of the president the following recommendations were adopted:

"(1) Since the clear intention of the 1948 convention in establishing the office of assistant to the president was to afford effective aid to the president of the Church in performing his manifold duties, and since intimate contact with the boards of the Church and a constant knowledge of their operations are among the most important of such duties,

"The president RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board request all boards, agencies and auxiliaries of the Church, except the Commission of Adjudication, to permit the assistant to the president to attend their meetings as an auditor from time to time in the place of the president and at his direction."

Affirmative responses to this request were reported to the Executive Board by the Committee on Boards and Committees as follows: August 1949, Parish and Church School Board, Board of Foreign Missions, Board of American Missions; October 1949, Women's Missionary Society; January 1950, Board of Publication and Board of Education.

"(2) The president FURTHER RECOMMENDS that all boards, agencies and auxiliaries of the Church be requested to include the assistant to the president in the distribution of their minutes.

"(3) The president RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board add the assistant to the president to the membership of the Committee of Executive Secretaries."

*(f) Compensation*

The Finance Committee presented the following recommendations to the Executive Board at its January 1949 meeting:

"The 1948 convention established the office of assistant to the president (Minutes, pp. 59, 346) with instructions to the Executive Board to 'engage an assistant to the president with such duties as may be prescribed by the Executive Board; and that the expenses involved for the years 1949 and 1950 be provided from Part II of the budget.'

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that the salary of the assistant to the president be set at $6,500 per annum, with a yearly residence allowance of $1,500."

The Executive Board adopted the recommendation.

### *(g) Committee Given Power to Elect*

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the following motion prevailed:

"It was moved and carried that the officers and the Rev. F. R. Knubel be vested by the Executive Board with power to elect, in its behalf, the assistant to the president."

### *(h) Election*

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following comments and recommendations:

"The 1948 convention of the Church (Minutes U.L.C.A., 1948, pp. 59, 346) authorized the Executive Board 'to engage an assistant to the president with such duties as may be prescribed by the Executive Board.'

"The Executive Board, at its January 26-27, 1949 meeting, empowered the officers and the Rev. Frederick R. Knubel to proceed with the election of this member of its staff. (Minutes, p. 124).

"In behalf of this Committee the officers report that on April 9, 1949 it unanimously elected the Rev. George F. Harkins, pastor of Zion Lutheran Church, Penbrook, Harrisburg, Pa., a member of the Synod of Central Pennsylvania, as assistant to the president, for the term ending April 1, 1951 (Minutes, Executive Board, January 26-27, 1949, p. 11).

"Pastor Harkins will come into service on June 1, 1949. The officers are especially gratified over his assumption of his new duties at that early date.

"The officers RECOMMEND:

"(1) that the action of the Executive Board (see item f, COMPENSATION, Executive Board Minutes, p. 469) regarding compensation of assistant to the president be rescinded;

"(2) that the salary of the Rev. George F. Harkins as assistant to the president be $5,000 with an additional $1,200 as residence allowance, both starting June 1, 1949."

The Executive Board adopted recommendations (1) and (2).

### *(i) Mortgage—Residence, Assistant to the President*

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"Money was advanced to the extent of $4,000 from the President's Fund to enable the assistant to the president to finance the purchase of a residence in the metropolitan area upon taking up his duties at the Church House. This advance, at present, is evidenced by a demand note without interest. The desired arrangement is to have a second mortgage issued in the name of The United Lutheran Church in America as mortgagee.

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that it be instructed, in conjunction with the officers of the Church, to arrange for a mortgage subject to the existing mortgage now held by the Fidelity Union Trust Company in the principal amount of $4,000, naming The United Lutheran Church in America as mortgagee, with such terms as to interest rate, amortization, and maturity as in the opinion of the officers will protect the interests of the Church."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"A second mortgage in the amount of $4,000 on the residence of the assistant to the president has been issued in the name of The United Lutheran Church in America as mortgagee, (p. 445, October 1949 Minutes). The terms of said mortgage provide for the payment of interest at ½ per cent per annum commencing July 1, 1950; mortgage to run for three years, with any extension beyond that date to be determined by the U.L.C.A.; monthly payment of $25.00 amortization also commencing July 1, 1950.

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board approve the assumption of this mortgage to be carried as an asset of the President's Fund."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

*(j) Request for permission for assistant to president to sign vouchers*

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the president presented the following request:

"To effect still further the intention of the 1948 convention (Minutes, pp. 59 and 346) in authorizing the securing of an assistant to the president, the president requests the Executive Board to approve his intention to transfer to the assistant to the president the responsibility of signing any and all vouchers which have hitherto required the president's signature.

"It was moved and seconded to approve the president's request to the Executive Board for approval of his intention to transfer to the assistant to the president the responsibility of signing any and all vouchers which have hitherto required the president's signature."

The motion was adopted by the Executive Board.

**8. Resignation of Miss Mabel M. Groneberg**

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary reported as follows:

"On July 23, 1949, Miss Mabel M. Groneberg, capable and devoted senior member of the Executive Board staff, sent the following letter to this board in care of President Fry. Copies were addressed to the other officers of the Church on that same date."

" '111 Roosevelt Avenue
Westwood, New Jersey
July 23, 1949

" 'To the Executive Board of
The United Lutheran Church in America
Dr. Franklin Clark Fry, President
231 Madison Avenue
New York 16, N. Y.

" 'Dear Friends:

" 'It had been my hope to have had the index of the sixteen volumes of U.L.C.A. Minutes completed before writing this letter. However, the inclusion of items from the 1946 and 1948 Minutes made many revisions necessary and the work is taking longer than I had anticipated.

" 'My reason for giving the above explanation is that an opportunity has come to me to leave the work of the Church and enter an entirely new field on September 1, 1949. Therefore, I hereby tender my resignation from the position which I now hold in the office of the secretary, effective August 31, 1949.

" 'It is quite possible that other duties in the office will prevent my completing the index before I leave the work of the U.L.C.A. My new position will not require that I work evenings and weekends and that will give me time for finishing the index during September. I shall be very happy to contribute those hours to this particular work. Unless something unforeseen happens, it is my expectation to have copies of the completed index ready for the October meeting of the Executive Board.

" 'By August 31, 1949, I shall have given twenty-eight years and nine months of service to The United Lutheran Church in America. It has been my privilege to attend every Executive Board meeting since November 1920. Many memories of happy hours spent in the work of the Church will go with me. Since this meeting of the board on August 11 will be my last one, I wish to say good-by.

" 'Cordially yours,

" '/s/ Mabel M. Groneberg'

" 'cc: Dr. F. Eppling Reinartz
Dr. Henry Beisler

"Inasmuch as this letter records Miss Groneberg's own free choice, and states, we are sad to report, her fixed purpose,

"The officers RECOMMEND that the Executive Board accept Miss Groneberg's resignation with deepest regret, and adopt by a standing vote the following tribute to the creative and devoted service she has given her Church:

> "The Executive Board has received Miss Mabel Groneberg's resignation with surprise and sincere regret. This minute is an attempt to express our high and earnest appreciation for her exceptional services to the United Lutheran Church. Miss Groneberg has been the mainstay and chief aide in all three secretaries of our Church in her twenty-eight years and nine months of service. To an extraordinary degree many key activities in our central office have benefited from her skill, precision and untiring faithfulness.
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> "Miss Groneberg has contributed more than we can quickly estimate to the smoothness and efficiency of fourteen biennial conventions and to the accuracy of their minutes. Even more remarkably, she has been the expert scribe at every meeting of this Executive Board since 1920. Through all these years her retentive memory has been our best and surest index to all the accumulating records of the Church.
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> "Just to enumerate the other areas of our church life in which she has approached indispensability is very impressive. The long series of year books comes to mind at once, to the editing of which she has made a major contribution. There has been the incessant and often exasperating task of keeping the clerical register of the Church correct and up to date, which she has done phenomenally well. In addition, the Church's statistics, necrology, membership contact and transfer department and transportation matters, to name only a few others among her concerns, have profited from her diligence and resourcefulness. She had a leading role in establishing procedures for the Church House for a period of years in its management and administration.
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> "Fully matching the consistent excellence of Miss Groneberg's work, she has shown an unusual spirit of commitment. In all of it especially during the earlier years, before the growth of the Church's activities had demanded an expansion of staff, it was hard and often impossible to restrain her from serving at great cost in time and energy "far beyond the call of duty." Her life has been a testimony that she has regarded her post as her Christian vocation.
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> "The Executive Board is genuinely sorry to see Miss Groneberg leave the direct employment of the United Lutheran Church. Since she has decided on her own initiative to accept other responsibilities we refuse to let her go without this tribute of admiration and gratitude."

The recommendation was unanimously adopted by the Executive Board.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report:

"Replying to a letter from the secretary conveying to her the grateful greetings of the Executive Board and a gift in appreciation of her long term of service to the Church, Miss Mabel M. Groneberg wrote as follows:

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" '111 Roosevelt Avenue
Westwood, New Jersey
November 10, 1949

" 'Dear Dr. Reinartz:

" 'In the midst of some very trying moments your special delivery letter was received last Saturday. The fact that one is not forgotten is a real comfort —especially so when one feels so helpless in a hopeless (home) situation.

" 'Through you, may I express to the officers of the U.L.C.A. and the Executive Board my sincere appreciation for their generous thought of me. I am grateful for the check and to say that it will help to lighten our financial burden is putting it mildly. These days we are not counting the cost to ourselves either physically or financially but rather we are doing all we can to give comfort to Mother in her last days with us. How many there will be depends upon the will of the Lord but we shall do all we can to give her every consideration until He does call her.

" 'My days are very full with my new work and my evenings and weekends are completely occupied with home. These past two weeks have been extremely difficult. The sedatives occasionally have an opposite effect and when that happens our "evenings" often last until rising time the next morning.

" 'I regret exceedingly that I could not carry through my promise to finish the comprehensive index. However, I hope that the file which I did send to you will prove helpful. My work with the U.L.C.A. may be finished but I am still very much interested in the Cause.

" 'Again expressing my sincere appreciation, and with kindest personal regards to all, I am,

" 'Cordially yours,

" '/s/ Mabel (Gronberg)' "

The report was received as information.

### 9. Stewardship Secretary, Comptroller and Assistant to President to serve as Consultants on Executive Board committees

At the January 1949 meeting the president offered and the Executive Board adopted the following recommendation:

"RECOMMENDED that the stewardship secretary and the comptroller shall sit with the Finance Committee as consultants and the assistant to the president shall be a consultant of Executive Board committees as requested by the president."

### 10. Proposed study of editorial principles to be followed in the preparation of the report of the Executive Board to future conventions of the Church

At the October 3, 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the president appointed the Rev. Henry H. Bagger, the Rev. F. Eppling Reinartz, and the Hon. James F. Henninger a committee of three to formulate an action on behalf of the Executive Board regarding the editorial principles to be followed in the preparation of the Executive Board's report to future conventions of the Church.

The above committee drafted the following report on behalf of the Executive Board:

"The Executive Board and the officers are just as unhappy over the bulk of the Executive Board Report as are many of the delegates.

"The report, however, has been made up on the same pattern as all former reports and its present size reflects the great volume of business assigned to the board by our constitution, by action of the conventions, or arising within the biennium.

"* It will be recognized also that in this biennium there are a number of items peculiar to it which, in fairness to the convention, required full reporting at great length. Examples are:

"Christian Higher Education Year
The National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America
The expanding operation of the National Lutheran Council
The revised constitution of the Women's Missionary Society
The Committee of Seventeen's summarization of its three-part survey of interdenominational relationships
The increasingly detailed and careful presentation of the work of the Finance Committee"

"The Executive Board at its meeting October 3, 1950 considered the necessity and advisability of providing summarizations of its proceedings and actions for report to the Church, but felt that the subject should be given full study.

"It, therefore took the following action:

> "Moved, that the president appoint a committee of three members of the Executive Board to act with the officers of the Church in defining a policy for the formulation of future reports of the Executive Board to the conventions of the Church.

### 11. Expression of appreciation to retiring members of Executive Board

At the October 3, 1950 meeting of the Executive Board

"The president expressed his appreciation to the three members of the board who are not eligible for re-election this year, namely, the Rev. G. Morris Smith, the Hon. James F. Henninger, and the Hon. Charles B. Zimmerman, for their faithful and loyal service to the Church through the Executive Board.

"All three retiring members in turn expressed their thanks for being given the opportunity to serve the Church as members of the Executive Board."

### 12. Inter-Board Conference regarding co-operation among Deaconess Training Schools and the Colleges

(See VI, B, iii, 5, p. 221, of this report.)

## II. STEWARDSHIP

### 1. Resignation of Stewardship Secretary, Clarence C. Stoughton

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report and recommendation:

"On January 27, 1949, Dr. Clarence C. Stoughton, having been elected president of Wittenberg College, Springfield, Ohio, tendered his resignation as stewardship secretary in The United Lutheran Church in America, the same to become effective on September 1, 1949.

"'January 27, 1949

"'Dr. Franklin Clark Fry,
President
The United Lutheran Church in America
231 Madison Avenue
New York 16, N. Y.

"'Dear Dr. Fry:

"'In February, 1945, the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church invited me, through Dr. Greever, to become the stewardship secretary of the Church, to work directly under the officers.

"'I come now, four years later, asking to be relieved of this responsibility, and herewith present my resignation from this office to become effective on September 1, 1949, if it is at all possible to release me by that date. I have accepted the election of the Board of Directors of Wittenberg College to the presidency of that institution.

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"'By September, it will have been nearly four and a half years of the hardest kind of labor. It has meant much traveling and long periods away from home. My conscience does not rebuke me when I feel that I may now turn to other fields of service that will permit some closer home life.

"'I feel free in leaving, too, because the office is now firmly established and the directions for future efforts in stewardship are fairly well laid out. And I leave behind me a splendid associate, capable of carrying on the work with vision and consecration and skill.

"'May I again express to Dr. Reinartz and Mr. Beisler and to you my very real gratitude for overflowing co-operation, and to the Executive Board for all its help and its confidence. All that I ask now is that you accept my resignation and release me as near to September 1 as possible. For that, too, I shall be most grateful.

"'Sincerely,
"'(Signed) CLARENCE C. STOUGHTON,
"'Stewardship Secretary"'

"The officers RECOMMEND that the Executive Board accept Dr. Stoughton's resignation with sincere regret, and that the Board adopt the following statement as its tribute to our highly esteemed co-worker as he leaves the general service of the Church.

### "ON THE RESIGNATION OF DR. CLARENCE C. STOUGHTON

"Coming to the command of the stewardship forces of the United Lutheran Church on September 1, 1945, Dr. Clarence C. Stoughton at once demonstrated that he had a deeply penetrating insight into the needs and opportunities of this department of our Church's work.

"Promptly associating with himself Mr. Henry Endress, and later Mr. Zeb Trexler, this gifted team lost no time in showing both the Executive Board and the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship that it knew how to meet those needs and enter into those opportunities.

"The Board and the Movement had leadership ready to make investments of faith and funds which matched the enthusiasms and plans of Dr. Stoughton and his associates. Synodical stewardship committees swiftly fell into line with the vital new program. Laymen throughout the Church are rising up in strength to support the 'Movement' as never before in its history.

"Pervading all this advance has been Dr. Stoughton's quickening discipleship and glad reliance on the guidance and grace of God.

"His animated public address, his objective and unadorned writing style, his candor and constructive thinking in conference, his unflagging zeal in journeying through the Church, his quick wit and contagious geniality have combined to make his service command the generous and willing response of the whole Church.

"The redemption of the word STEWARDSHIP is emblematic of the whole Stoughton ministry. Both the wine and the wine skins are new when he talks of a Christian's stewardship meaning the total commitment of life to Jesus Christ and His Church.

"He has gone up and down the Church earnestly telling his fellow believers:

> "Gratitude to God for His redemptive act in Jesus Christ is the true motivation for giving.
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> "Having in his work the sense of Christian vocation, gives every person's toil true dignity and worth.
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> "The tithe is a good starting point.

"The test of a Christian's love is his obedience to Christ's command: 'Feed my sheep.'

"The consecrated activism which discerning European visitors have admired in our Church has had its embodiment in Clarence C. Stoughton.

"As he returns to academic pursuits he bears with him the gratitude and affection of the Church to whose life he has meant and will continue to mean so much."

The recommendation was adopted by a rising vote.

### 2. Election of Stewardship Executives

#### (a) *Mr. Henry Endress Elected as Stewardship Secretary*

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report and recommendations:

"The officers invited the committee of three from the Executive Committee of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship, Messrs. Charles H. Esser, Harold U. Landis and S. Frederick Telleen, to consult with them concerning the nomination of stewardship secretary of The United Lutheran Church in America. The consensus of this 'Committee of Six' is that we should name Mr. Henry Endress to that office.

"The officers therefore RECOMMEND:

"(1) that Mr. Henry Endress be elected stewardship secretary of The United Lutheran Church in America, his service in this office to begin September 1, 1949."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"(2) that the Executive Board empower the officers to continue their consultations with the committee of three from the Executive Committee of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship for the purpose of selecting additional executive personnel for the Stewardship Department of the Church, and for the Laymen's Movement, and also for the purpose of framing recommendations to the Executive Board and the Executive Committee of the Laymen's Movement concerning the necessary salary adjustments."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report:

"Three representatives of the Executive Committee of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship and the officers of the Church have consulted concerning additional executive leadership for the U.L.C.A. Stewardship Office and the Laymen's Movement. This group has conferred twice since the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board and is continuing its investigation of the possibilities."

This item was received as information.

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report:

"The officers have continued their consultations with three representatives of the Executive Committee of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship concerning additional executive personnel for the U.L.C.A. Stewardship Department and the Laymen's Movement. This group has conferred three times since the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board. Investigation of the possibilities is continuing."

This item was received as information.

(b) *Mr. Henry Endress Elected as Executive Director of Lutheran Laymen's Movement*

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report and recommendations:

"By the unanimous action of a duly authorized committee of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship, made up of President Charles H. Esser, Treasurer Harold U. Landis and Executive Committee member, Mr. S. Frederick Telleen, and heartily concurred in by the Officers of the Church, Mr. Henry Endress, Secretary for Stewardship of the U.L.C.A., was elected Executive Director of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship on November 25, 1949. This action was ratified by the Executive Committee of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship meeting in Washington, D. C., on January 13, 1950. The U.L.C.A. has given Mr. Endress its confidence, its gratitude and affection. We pray that God, the Holy Spirit, may direct and empower him as he helps to enlist, enlighten and enliven Christian stewards throughout our international Church.

"It is the purpose of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship, as declared in its January 13, 1950 action to assume the full responsibility for Mr. Endress' salary and his U.L.C.A. contributory pension employing agency contributions as of December 1, 1949."

This item was received as information.

(c) *Mr. John R. Weaver Elected as Associate Stewardship Secretary*

"The Officers of the Church, after consultation with Stewardship Secretary, Mr. Henry Endress, and the special committee of the Executive Committee of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship named in (*a*) and (*b*) above, (constituting together the 'Committee of Six') now RECOMMEND to the Executive Board the election of Mr. John R. Weaver as Associate Stewardship Secretary at the annual salary of $6,000, this action to be retroactive to December 1, 1949."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

The Executive Board took this further action:

"Moved and seconded that the Executive Board approve the payment of the salary of Mr. John R. Weaver for the month of December, 1949 from the Stewardship Office funds."

The motion was adopted.

(d) *Mr. John R. Weaver, elected as Associate Executive Director of Lutheran Laymen's Movement*

"The Laymen's Movement Committee referred to above, on the recommendation of Stewardship Secretary, Mr. Henry Endress, and after consultation with the officers of the Church voted unanimously on November 25, 1949 to elect Mr. John R. Weaver, of Toledo, Ohio, an Associate Executive Director of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship, Mr. Weaver to take office on December 1, 1949. This action of the LLM special committee was ratified by the Executive Committee of the Movement at its January 13, 1950 meeting in Washington, D. C. Mr. Weaver has already demonstrated that he has gifts and capacities which make us thank God for having led us to call him to his responsible office.

"It is the purpose of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship, as declared in its January 13, 1950 action (Minutes, p. 5) to assume responsibility for one half of the salary of both of its Associate Executive Directors, Messrs. Zeb. B. Trexler and John

R. Weaver, and one half of their U.L.C.A. contributory pension employing agency contributions as of January 1, 1950—these amounts to be paid through the Executive Board treasury."

This item was received as information.

### (e) *Terms of Office for Stewardship Executives*

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report and recommendation:

"The officers have learned that the Executive Committee of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship is considering a revision of the constitution of the Movement, including the possible establishment of terms of office for its executive director and its associate directors. Identical arrangements will be desirable for the secretary and assistant stewardship secretaries of the U.L.C.A.

"The officers RECOMMEND that the Executive Board propose to the Executive Committee of the Laymen's Movement that the 'Committee of Six' be reactivated in order to study this problem jointly, with the understanding that the special committee of the Laymen's Movement referred to in (*a*) to (*d*) above, and the officers of the Church will bring mutually supporting recommendations to the LLM Executive Committee and the U.L.C.A. Executive Board respectively."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report:

"In accordance with the recommendation adopted by the Executive Board at its January, 1950 meeting the proposal was made to the Lutheran Laymen's Movement that the 'Committee of Six' be reactivated in order to study the possible establishment of terms of office for the executives of the U.L.C.A. Stewardship Department and the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship.

"Replies received from Mr. Charles H. Esser, president, and Mr. Henry Endress, executive director, of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement, on March 29, 1950 and April 3, 1950, respectively, say that agency is ready to enter into the proposed joint study. It is hoped that it can be started in connection with the May, 1950 meeting of the LLM Administrative Committee."

This item was received as information.

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report and recommendation:

"A recommendation of the Executive Board at its January, 1950 meeting (Minutes, p. 545) proposed to the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship that the 'Committee of Six' be reactivated 'to study the possible establishment of terms of office for the executives of the U.L.C.A. Stewardship Department and the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship.'

"In consequence of the favorable response of the officers of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement to the Executive Board's proposal, the 'Committee of Six' met at the Lutheran Church House, New York on May 26, 1950.

"It was agreed: (1) that the term of the staff executives of the U.L.C.A. Stewardship Department and the Lutheran Laymen's Movement should be five years; and (2) that the five-year term of the stewardship secretary (and executive director of LLM) should begin January 1, 1950, and the five-year term of the assistant secretaries for stewardship (and associate executive directors of LLM) should begin on July 1, 1950.

"The officers RECOMMEND that the Executive Board approve the agreements of the 'Committee of Six' stated in the paragraph immediately above."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

The Executive Board took the following further action:

"Moved and seconded that the Executive Board request the 'Committee of Six' to consider the inclusion, in agreements with staff secretaries, of a clause stipulating that terms of office can be terminated upon six months' notice given by either party on or after the expiration of the second year of tenure."

The motion was adopted.

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report:

"At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the 'Committee of Six' was requested 'to consider the inclusion, in agreement with staff secretaries, of a clause stipulating that terms of office can be terminated upon six months' notice given by either party on or after the expiration of the second year of tenure.'

"Since the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board, informal conversations have been held by members of the Committee of Six concerning this request. It has not been possible for the Committee to hold a meeting in the intervening weeks. The Committee hopes to be able to present definite recommendations to the January 1951 meeting of the Executive Board."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 3. Election to Fill Vacancies in Executive Committee of Laymen's Movement

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Lutheran Laymen's Movement nominates for its Executive Committee, Mr. Luther Boliek of Hickory, North Carolina, to fill the unexpired term of Mr. E. G. Hoover, deceased; and Dr. Clarence C. Stoughton of Springfield, Ohio, to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Belding Slifer, resigned.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Chairman of the Committee be instructed to cast the ballot of the Board for Mr. Luther Boliek and Dr. Clarence C. Stoughton on the Executive Committee of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement, terms expiring 1950."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"The chairman of the Committee on Boards and Committees cast the ballot of the Executive Board for the election of Mr. Luther Boliek to membership in the Executive Committee of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement to fill the vacancy created by the death of Mr. E. G. Hoover, and for Dr. Clarence C. Stoughton to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mr. Belding Slifer for the terms expiring 1950.

"The president declared Mr. Luther Boliek and Dr. Clarence C. Stoughton elected."

### 4. Budget for 1949 and for 1950

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the 1949 budget of the Stewardship Department in the total amount of $168,280.00 was approved by the Board.

The January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board approved the 1950 budget totaling $174,610 for the Stewardship Department.

### 5. Pamphlet on Christian Wills—"Investments in Human Progress, Saving Through Giving"

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report:

"Dr. William Stackel was asked to prepare a folder on Christian wills for distribution to pastors, lawyers of the Church, members of the Laymen's Movement and the general membership of the Church.

"The stewardship office is also making available to congregations without charge, a film strip produced by the American Lutheran Church on the subject of Christian wills.

"This is in accordance with the action of the Executive Board (Minutes, January, 1948, p. 394).

"The Committee on Boards and Committees submits this for information."

This item was received as information.

### 6. 1949 Stewardship Moving Picture, "Like a Mighty Army," Authorization for Signing of Contract given; Provision for Possible Deficit Deferred; Produced Without Deficit

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report:

"The officers report that they concur in the recommendation which the stewardship secretary will present concerning the signing of the contract for the 1949 moving picture."

This item was received as information.

The stewardship secretary, Dr. C. C. Stoughton reported at the same meeting as follows:

> "'Like a Mighty Army': will be produced on the theme 'What a congregation will do when it takes God seriously.' The story is that of a well-established congregation that rose above self-satisfaction when it decided to undertake the special project of establishing a much-needed mission congregation in a near-by town. The main character is a gas station operator who, unhappy about the comfortable sleep of the congregation, initiates the special project that awakens the entire congregation to its responsibility to do something about its faith. The script is finished and Cathedral Films is ready to produce the film for the U.L.C.A. in May. Its estimate of the cost of production of 'Like a Mighty Army' is $63,600. This does not include the cost of distribution. The total amount budgeted for production and distribution is only $75,000. Prints will be available for previews in summer camps and schools. Distribution next fall will be on the same basis as the previous stewardship productions.

"It is RECOMMENDED that the stewardship office be authorized to sign contract with Cathedral Films, Inc., for the production of the 1949 movie, 'Like a Mighty Army' at an estimated cost of $63,600."

This recommendation was adopted in connection with item 3 of the April 1949 report of Finance Committee which follows:

"The 1949 moving picture will cost $63,600, according to a careful estimate by Cathedral Films, Inc. Two hundred prints will cost an additional $12,000, and the expense of distribution is likely to be about $6,000. This totals $81,600. The budget figure for this item is $75,000.

"The Finance Committee, therefore, RECOMMENDS:

"That the Stewardship Office be authorized to proceed with the making of the 1949 moving picture; and that provision for a possible deficit of $6,600 be deferred until the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board."

The recommendation was adopted.

"The recommendation of the stewardship secretary, regarding the signing of the contract for the 1949 moving picture, was adopted."

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report:

The Executive Board Minutes, April 1949, include the following portion of the Finance Committee recommendation:

> "'. . . and that provision for a possible deficit of $6,600 be deferred until the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board.'

"It is very gratifying that the deficit that was estimated did not occur. The stewardship secretary, in his report, gives a full account of the cost of the 1949 motion picture."

This item was received as information.

### 7. Stewardship Program for Children and Youth

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the stewardship secretary presented the following report prepared by Miss Helen M. Knubel:

"'MINUTES OF THE CONFERENCE
ON YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S STEWARDSHIP
MARCH 9, 1949, AT 11 A.M.
PHILADELPHIA 7, PA.

> "'*Participants:* Parish and Church School Board: Dr. S. White Rhyne, Dr. Theodore K. Finck, Pastor Lawrence M. Reese, Miss Mabel Locker, Mrs. Mabel B. Fenner, and Miss Eleanore Stelzner; Luther League: Pastors J. W. Frease, William J. Ducker, and Miss Louise Marks; Board of Education: Miss Mildred Winston; Ministerium of Pennsylvania: Pastor Earl F .Rahn; Board of Publication: H. Torrey Walker and The Rev. William Van Horn Davies; Stewardship Office—Lutheran Laymen's Movement: Dr. Clarence C. Stoughton, Henry Endress and Miss Helen Knubel.
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> "'The meeting was opened with prayer offered by Pastor Davies. Dr. S. White Rhyne was elected chairman; Miss Helen Knubel was elected secretary; and the agenda proposed by the stewardship office was adopted.
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> "'*Purpose of the meeting*
> "'Dr. Stoughton announced the purpose of the meeting as follows: (1) To survey what is being done in stewardship education for children and youth at the present time, and (2) to take steps toward developing a more intensive program of stewardship education for children and youth. Dr. Stoughton reported that the meeting was called with the approval of the U.L.C.A. Executive Board. He said that the stewardship office could not develop such a program alone and that it needed the help and cooperation of all boards and agencies dealing with children and youth.
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> "'*Definition of Stewardship*
> "'The group discussed Dr. Greever's definition of stewardship—"Christian stewardship is the practice of the Christian's religion"—upon which the whole program of the stewardship office and Lutheran Laymen's Movement is based.
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> "'*Reports:*
> "'*Parish and Church School Board:* Dr. Rhyne reported that his Board was promoting stewardship in two ways:
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> "'(1) Through general literature, such as many specific stewardship lessons in the Christian Growth Series and the Augsburg Series, through Children of the Church units, Youth Series, Elective Courses, and a leadership Education book which is in preparation, also articles and emphases in the Parish School Magazine.
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> "'(2) Through special projects and features, such as the Sunday School message offering envelopes, the Children of the Church budget and work

kit, Life Service Institutes in conjunction with the Board of Education. Mrs. Fenner has recently come to the Board and will inject more missionary material into the publications. Other special features have been audio-visual aids, and the now Christian Youth Hymnals.

" '*Luther League:* Pastor Frease reported that the Christian use of our possessions has been specifically emphasized in many topics and in articles in *The Luther League Review.* Under the broader view of stewardship, there is in all Luther League material an emphasis on Christian living, and the special missionary projects of the League. Christian vocation and guidance have received attention in co-operation with the Board of Education and talks by members of the Stewardship Office staff were given at several League conventions.

" '*Stewardship Office:* Miss Knubel reported on her use of present stewardship materials and programs as an experiment in the Sunday School of Holy Trinity, New Rochelle, N. Y., where she is director of religious education. She is doing this in co-operation with the U.L.C.A. stewardship office. These activities include: (1) Use of the Mr. Stickman folders in Every *Class* Visit in the Sunday School; and (2) a new Sunday school program consisting of five-minute talks each week on the causes of the church, efforts to deepen the devotional life of children and youth through specific helps in Bible reading and study, the adoption of challenging projects in the youth organizations for both the local congregation and wider church, the youth budget plan, and Sunday school enlistment. The Luther League of the metropolitan New York area, under Miss Knubel's direction also helped the stewardship office prepare "What Comes out of the Red Side" envelope for the Every Member Visit two years ago.

" '*Board of Education:* Miss Winston reported on activities carried on through (1) the Christian Career Conference in co-operation with the Parish and Church School Board and the Luther League, (2) summer service projects, (3) use on campuses of printed matter from boards and agencies, (4) funds invested in scholarships and fellowships, and (5) the program of world relationships which is so evident among student groups. She reported that her Board conceived stewardship and evangelism as "belonging together" and that this stress is made in student work. Miss Winston reported that the benevolence giving of the Lutheran Student Association is the largest total of any student group.

### " 'DISCUSSION

" '1. It was stressed that, to be effective, material had to be produced specifically for each age group.

" '2. It was the opinion of the group that stewardship education for children and youth should be based upon the broad definition—"Christian stewardship is the practice of the Christian religion"—rather than restrict its meaning to the giving of money.

" '3. It was decided that leadership training for the teaching of stewardship was probably the greatest need. Other phases which commanded immediate interest were the preparation of tracts or literature, the Youth Budget, a children's magazine, recordings and films, reports from others of experiments made.

" '4. It was suggested that stewardship tracts, relating to the lessons of our regular series, be used in conjunction with them. A motion was carried that this be referred to representatives of the Parish and Church School Board and to the Luther League, for them to consider the feasibility of the preparation of correlated supplementary material on the work of the boards and agencies of the Church, and that a report be made back to the second meeting of this group. It was added that students also be kept in mind in the preparation of tracts.

" '5. A motion was carried that this group be called together again within 60-90 days to further discuss points already brought up and those to be brought up. The date was set for Friday, June 3.

" '6. A motion was carried that, preceding this full meeting, there be separate meetings of children and youth representatives. These separate

> meetings will be held at 11 A.M. and the full committee will meet in the afternoon.
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> "'7. A motion was carried that we make the discussion of the Youth Budget a special order at the next meeting.
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> "'The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 P.M. "'Respectfully submitted,
> Helen M. Knubel'"

This report was received as information.

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board, the stewardship secretary presented the following report:

"Plans are crystallizing for an extensive program of stewardship for the children and youth of our church. Two conferences have been held with representatives of the Parish and Church School Board, Luther League, Board of Education, Board of Publication, and the LLM-Stewardship Office for joint action in the matter. Recommendations are now being submitted to the Laymen's Movement."

This item was received as information.

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following quotation and recommendation:

*"Children's and youth stewardship*

(Minutes, Lutheran Laymen's Movement Executive Committee, July, 1949, p. 585)

> "'The Executive Committee of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement decided to hold a conference with the stewardship office and representatives of the Parish and Church School Board, Luther League, Board of Education, and Board of Publication, upon approval by the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church. Such conference would have as its purpose to project a program of children's and youth stewardship in broad outline. (See 1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 69-71.)
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> "'Basic steps in the program will be (1) emphasis on the broad meaning of Christian stewardship; (2) promotion of Christian stewardship in the regular publications of the co-operating boards and agencies; (3) publication of two series of illustrated folders, one on the level of children and the other on the level of youth, on Christian stewardship and the work of the Church. These folders will be written by specialized writers of the Parish and Church School Board in consultation with the stewardship office and will be published and distributed through a budget provided by the Lutheran Laymen's Movement. Leaders' guides on the use of these materials in their respective programs will be published by the Parish and Church School Board and the Luther League.
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> "Their Executive Committee took the following action:
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> "'That the Executive Committee of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship request the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America that it authorize the Laymen's Movement to develop, beginning in 1950, a program of Christian stewardship for the children and youth of the United Lutheran Church, in co-operation with the stewardship office of the United Lutheran Church, the Parish and Church School Board, the Luther League, the Board of Education, and the Board of Publication.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the request be granted."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report:

"Your Committee on Boards and Committees reports for information that the following action was adopted by the Board of Education at its December 1949 meeting (Minutes, p. 11):

> "'That the Board of Education agrees to co-operate with Lutheran Laymen's Movement, the Stewardship Office of the United Lutheran Church,

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> the Parish and Church School Board, the Luther League, and the Board of Publication, in the development of a program of Christian Stewardship for the children and youth of the United Lutheran Church.' "

This item was received as information.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the stewardship secretary presented the following report:

"1950 will mark the first major step of our office in developing a stewardship program for the children and youth of the Church. It will be an effort to bring them into the main stream of participation in stewardship side-by-side with their parents and other adult members of the congregation.

"To launch the program a series of three folders for children and three folders for youth will be published this year. Production of these folders will be a joint project of the Luther League, Parish and Church School Board, and the Laymen's Movement. LLM will also pay the cost of printing and distribution. Guides for the use of these folders will be issued by the Luther League and Parish and Church School Board. Others participating in the project are the Board of Education and the Board of Publication."

This item was received as information.

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the stewardship secretary presented the following report:

"A joint meeting was held with the staff of the Parish and Church School Board and the Luther League to make assignments for writing folders, on both the children's and youth level, on these subjects: 'Meaning of Stewardship,' 'My Work Through The Church,' and 'Stewardship in the Home, Church, and School.'

"Leaders guides will be issued for use in co-ordination with Sunday school lessons and Luther League quarterly topics."

This item was received as information.

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report:

"The minutes of the Parish and Church School Board for June 28, 1950 report further developments regarding the progress of the joint children and youth stewardship program which was authorized by this board in 1949 (see pages 455 and 657) 'in accordance with the arrangements made with the Luther League and the Stewardship office.' "

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 8. Stewardship Department Co-operation with "The Lutheran"

The Stewardship Office has always endeavored to promote the use of *The Lutheran* in stewardship education and has reported to *The Lutheran* circulation department all congregations ordering pledge cards providing for subscriptions for this publication. This report of the Board of Publication is informative from this point of view, too.

In a letter to President Fry, dated January 18, 1949, Executive Secretary H. Torrey Walker of the Board of Publication reports as follows concerning the recent and continuing promotion efforts made to increase the circulation of *The Lutheran:*

> "Since last June 30, the circulation has increased 19,000. This increase is a direct result of the two plans put in operation during the year 1948; the Synodical Circulation Plan and the co-ordination with the Stewardship Department on solicitation during the Every Member Visitation. The increase can be broken down as follows:

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|---|---|
| Synodical Circulation Plan | 54 % |
| Every Member Visitation | 19.5 |
| Local Congregational Solicitation | 6 |
| Individual and Gift Subscriptions | 20.5 |
| | 100.0%" |

(See IX, 3, p. 534 of this report.)

**9. Report of Stewardship Secretary**

At the heart of the stewardship program of the United Lutheran Church is our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Our main emphasis is total commitment to Christ of all that men are and have. It is not a technique to get money out of church members. Nor is it merely a matter of acquiring, giving, and spending of money, although this is an important part of Christian stewardship. In the words of our *Jesus of Nazareth* folder, stewardship is ". . . . believing in Christ, obeying Him, surrendering my life to Him, because I know Him and trust Him and am everlastingly thankful to Him. It is living my faith in everything I do. It is serving Him with my whole life."

The results of the stewardship program include an upsurge of activity among lay people everywhere. They are beginning to understand that they, too, are called by Christ to serve Him at home, church, work, and in leisure time with *all* that God has given them. The doctrine of the priesthood of all believers is understood and lived, more than ever, in the United Lutheran Church.

Another result of the stewardship emphasis is the rapid rise in giving for the Lord's work done through congregation, synod, and United Lutheran Church. Giving for all purposes was $41,622,978 in 1948. In 1949 it has risen to $47,480,020.

This increase includes greater support for the U.L.C.A.'s evangelistic, educational, and missionary causes. The 1948 doubled apportionment appeal brought our giving up beyond the minimum budget of $2,750,000 to $3,659,699.06. That marked the first time that we provided the minimum quota for the U.L.C.A. We did it again in 1949 by going beyond the $3,000,000 minimum to $3,162,776.91. Unfortunately, however, we did not exceed the 1948 total as we had aimed to do.

At this writing, 1950 promises to be another year of growth. We are striving to exceed the minimum needs of $4,830,900.

*Total Support from Laymen's Movement*

During the biennium, the Lutheran Laymen's Movement has continued its rapid strides forward. Membership grew from *534 to 731*. The immediate goal now, as a "venture in faith," is to underwrite the total cost of the stewardship promotion program—staff, office, printed materials, film distribution, field services, and workshops! The Laymen's Movement plans to contribute $125,000 to $150,000 a year to the program so that the U.L.C.A. need not set aside one cent of apportionment money for this purpose. That will mean $175,000, usually set aside for stewardship, will flow into the other causes of the church!

(*a*) *Change of Leadership*

In the late spring of 1949, the stewardship office and Laymen's Movement lost its executive director, Dr. Clarence C. Stoughton, when he resigned to accept office of president of Wittenberg College, Springfield, Ohio.

Dr. Stoughton became secretary for stewardship and executive director of the Laymen's Movement in the summer of 1945. His five years of service were marked by deep faith, courageous leadership, tireless work, and great creative imagination. Christian stewardship under his leadership, took hold of the entire Church. Pastors and laymen together ventured in faith, tested out the promises of God, and discovered new power in doing the Lord's work. One of his many outstanding services, was his work as chairman of the committee on The Siginficance of the Laity in the Church, World Council of Churches, Amsterdam.

On September 1, 1949, Henry Endress, associate secretary, became the secretary for stewardship, succeeding Dr. Stoughton, and, on December 1, he took over the directorship of the Laymen's Movement. On the latter date John R. Weaver, active Lutheran Layman of Toledo, Ohio, was elected associate in both positions.

*(b) Stewardship Conferences*

The 1949 stewardship conferences at Buck Hill Falls, Pennsylvania, brought together the 32 synodical stewardship secretaries and, in addition, the members of the stewardship committees of the New York Synod and Ministerium of Pennsylvania. A statement on unscriptural giving was presented and approved by the secretaries. They participated in addresses on the state of the church, the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal, the theological basis of stewardship, led by such speakers as Drs. Fry, Reinartz, Tulloss, and Heinecken.

In planning for the 1950 session, the synodical stewardship secretaries asked the stewardship office to revise the annual conference program so that more members of the synodical committees could participate. As a result, in June 1950, four regional stewardship workshops were held. In addition to the participation of the synodical stewardship secretaries, two other members (a pastor and a layman) from each synodical stewardship committee was invited to attend at the expense of the stewardship office. The synod was asked to send the rest at its own expense. The Laymen's Movement, on its part, paid the expenses of all its area chairman who attended. Participation and cost was as follows:

| *Conferences* | *Participating Synods* | *Place* | *Stewardship Committee Participants* | *LLM Chr. Present* | *Stewardship office and LLM Total Cost* |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Western | 8 | Denver | 52 | 4 | $2,063.95 |
| Midwest | 10 | Chicago | 62 | 8 | 1,656.34 |
| Southern | 6 | Hickory, N. C. | 112 | 4 | 527.27 |
| Northeast | 8 | Gettysburg, Pa. | 132 | 10 | 1,178.62 |
| Total | 32 | | 358 | 26 | $5,426.08 |

At each conference, the synodical stewardship committees were asked to meet individually in order to lay plans of action. Then, at a joint session, they reported back to the entire group what specific plans had been laid for fall, 1950, and the year 1951.

Almost every synod laid immediate plans for a synodical stewardship workshop to train laymen to visit congregations and to help congregations with special stewardship difficulties.

There was lively discussion and planning for the promotion of Christian tithing; Christian wills; children and youth stewardship; more effective use of audio-visual aids; more personalized help, through synodical stewardship committees, for congregations with unusual stewardship problems. Findings committees at all conferences urged wider use of the Every Member Visit and the creative and proper use of the new stewardship materials, particularly the turnover chart. They also stressed the importance of *The Lutheran*, U.L.C.A. weekly news magazine, as a stewardship education help. They urged all congregations to transmit to synod and synod to the U.L.C.A. at least one twelfth of the apportionment each month so that the synod and U.L.C.A.

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could meet monthly allotments to the causes of the Church. There was also an emphasis on the need for the U.L.C.A. to receive the full amount of the apportionment of $4,830,900 in 1950.

The synodical stewardship secretaries serving with this office in the 1948-50 biennium were:

**CALIFORNIA:** Rev. Carl V. Tambert and Rev. H. Paul Romeis. **CANADA:** Rev. A. J. Datars. **CENTRAL PENN:** Dr. Joseph D. Krout* and Rev. George Berkheimer. **FLORIDA:** Rev. Wm. L. Dowler **GEORGIA-ALABAMA:** Rev. John N. Slice. **ICELANDIC:** Rev. Eric H. Sigmar.

* Deceased

**ILLINOIS:** Rev. Carl Kammeyer. **INDIANA:** Rev. D. A. Flesner and Rev. A. K. Trout. **IOWA:** Mr John L. Berger. **KANSAS:** Rev. George L. Search and Rev. George R. Whittecar. **KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE:** Rev. Gerard D. Busch and Rev. Samuel P. Diehl. **MARYLAND:** Rev. Raymond M. Miller. **MICHIGAN:** Rev Arthur E. Wulf, Rev. Ivan O. Miller, and Rev. Alfred G. Belles. **MIDWEST:** Rev. Lorin J. Wolff, and Mr. Elmer B. Sasse, **MISSISSIPPI:** Mr. W. H. Seefeld and Mr. George Mori. **NEBRASKA:** Dr. W. A. Klink, Rev. T. J. C. Schuldt, and Rev. R. R. Pfeiffer.

**NEW YORK:** Rev. Lauri J. Anderson. **NORTH CAROLINA:** Rev. LeRoy E. Blackwelder and Rev. E. L. Misenheimer. **NORTHWEST:** Dr. R. H. Gerberding and Rev. Paul L. Graf. **NOVA SCOTIA:** Rev. C. H. Whitteker and Rev. Wallace C. Minke. **OHIO:** Dr. D. Bruce Young and Rev. Elmer A. Lehman. **PACIFIC:** Rev. James A. Suter, Mr. Norman A. Magadanz, Rev. Paul Wm. Funk and Mr. Max Gehlhar. **PENNSYLVANIA MINISTERIUM:** Dr. Earl S. Erb. **PITTSBURGH:** Dr. William A. Logan, Rev. Albert E. Speck, and Rev. Wm. F. Pfeifer, Jr.

**ROCKY MOUNTAIN:** Mr. John A. Sten. **SLOVAK-ZION:** Rev. Gustav J. Chernansky. **SOUTH CAROLINA:** Rev. E. K. Counts, Rev. L. Boyd Hamm, and Dr. Homer M. Eargle. **TEXAS:** Rev. J. M. Schedler, Dr. Lewis P. Speaker, and Rev. Wm. Hoebel. **VIRGINIA:** Dr. A Kenneth Hewitt and Dr. R. Homer Anderson. **WARTBURG:** Rev. Paul A. Valentiner, Rev. Robert L. Boulton, and Rev. Andrew Swasko. **WEST VIRGINIA:** Mr. Oscar Lindow. **WESTERN CANADA:** Mr. Alexander Graf. **VIRGIN ISLAND CONFERENCE:** Mr. Darnley Petersen. **PUERTO RICO CONFERENCE:** Sr. Jose Luis Hernandez.

### (c) *Motion Pictures*

The motion pictures made an important contribution to our U.L.C.A. stewardship promotion program. And, in addition, they will finance themselves through income from rentals and leases, from other denominations. This is an important feature of our program of self-support.

The U.L.C.A. Executive Board has authorized the stewardship office to set aside income from film rentals and leases, as a "motion picture reserve fund" to be used, beginning 1952, when it is expected that the stewardship office film program can be put on a self-supporting basis.

Ordinarily it will take approximately five years for each film to pay for itself through rentals from other denominations. By 1952, with five stewardship films in general circulation, we should receive enough funds each year from outside sources to produce the annual stewardship motion picture, without cost to the U.L.C.A.!

Actually we are ahead of schedule. Not only have rental returns exceeded our expectations, but the Presbyterian Church U.S.A. in 1949 leased 240 prints of "And Now I See" and the Congregational Christian Church 100 prints of the same film, paying us a net income of $30,000 for the rights to use this film. Monthly income from our distributor, Cathedral Films, is now approximately $2,000 to $2,600 for our three stewardship films. The income, June 30, 1950, was $78,801.42. With investment interest, the total reached $79,240.57.

| *Film* | *Cost of Production* | *General Release Date* | *Net Income* |
|---|---|---|---|
| And Now I See | $45,794.96 | Jan. 1, 1948 | $53,064.60 |
| Salt of the Earth | 56,009.27 | Jan. 1, 1949 | 23,055.73 |
| Like a Mighty Army | 60,569.14 | Jan. 1, 1950 | 2,681.09 |
| | | Total | $78,801.42 |

During the biennium the stewardship office also prepared the script, produced and distributed a film, "The Difference," for the CHEY Appeal. Amount paid to Cathedral Films in actual production cost was $59,465.18 and print cost $9,790.67. Through a lease arrangement, for 80 prints, with the American Lutheran Church and other rentals, a total of $17,232.56 has already been returned to CHEY toward the initial cost of the production. General release date for other denominations was July 1, 1950 and it is expected, within the five year period, this film will not only pay for itself but continue to bring revenue to the CHEY Appeal.

The 1950 stewardship film, "For Good or Evil," a dramatic story on the Christian use of money, is in its early stages of production as this report is being written. To offer the Church something new in realism, this film will be produced completely on location at Arendtsville, Pennsylvania. The producer again is Cathedral Films of Hollywood, which has always co-operated so well not only in the production of stewardship films but also in the preparation of the 1950 EMV materials prepared by the Lutheran Laymen's Movement.

The stewardship office is now laying plans to produce a film on the life of Martin Luther as a joint venture with other Lutheran bodies and Cathedral Films. It is our hope that this motion picture, to cost approximately $300,000, will be filmed in 1951 or 1952.

### (d) *Foreign Language Stewardship Helps*

As a new service to our church, the mission fields and sister churches overseas, the stewardship office and Laymen's Movement have published stewardship folders in German, Slovak, and Spanish and have in preparation for small press runs folders in the Hungarian, Estonian, and Latvian languages.

### (e) *Children's and Youth Stewardship*

With the approval of the U.L.C.A. Executive Board the stewardship office and Lutheran Laymen's Movement held a series of conferences with the Luther League, Parish and Church School Board, Board of Education, and Board of Publication to lay plans to bring children and youth into the main stream of the church's stewardship program. All boards dealing with youth and children have increased the stewardship emphasis in their regular materials and, in addition, three folders are being prepared on both children and youth levels on: (1) The meaning of Christian stewardship; (2) My offerings and the work of the Lord; (3) Christian stewardship in the home, school, church, and community. The Lutheran Laymen's Movement is financing the cost of producing these folders and, in addition, is offering a pledge card entitled "My Adventure with Jesus."

### (f) *Other Emphases*

Through the monthly *Stewardship Bulletin*, other printed materials, films, conferences, and workshops, the stewardship office and Laymen's Movement are stressing Christian tithing, 50-50 giving (half for local work and half for benevolences), Christian wills, scriptural giving, the priesthood of all believers, Christian vocations, and Lutheran lay retreats.

#### (*g*) *Field Service*

One of the most important phases of our work is field service—visiting the congregations and synods to consult with pastor and laymen, address congregations, conventions, and workshops, to help them overcome special difficulties and further develop their stewardship programs. During the last biennium the staff members—Messrs. Endress, Weaver, Trexler, and Dr. Stoughton—have served congregations, colleges, and seminaries in Europe, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, and in the following states:

California
Canada
Colorado
Florida
Georgia
Illinois
Indiana
Iowa
Kansas
Kentucky
Maryland
Michigan
Minnesota
Missouri
Nebraska
New Jersey
New Mexico
New York
North Carolina
Nova Scotia
Ohio
Oklahoma
Oregon
Pennsylvania
South Carolina
Tennessee
Texas
Virginia
Washington
West Virginia
Wisconsin
Wyoming

#### (*h*) *Teamwork*

We are grateful for the fine co-operation received from the officers of the Church, members of the U.L.C.A. Executive Board and committees, the leaders and members of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement, and the boards and agencies of our Church. We could go down the entire list and stress incident after incident in which we have been able to work together and we are grateful for every bit of it.

Special thanks must go, also, to the staff that has served so faithfully through these two years of nerve-wracking schedules: Zeb B. Trexler and John R. Weaver, associates; Mrs. Doris Clayton, office manager; Mrs. Rose M. Sharkey, secretary; and the assistants, Mrs. Florence Peterman, Herbert H. Hewitt, and Miss Anita Hunt. An important part of our stewardship office operation, too, are the departments in the Church House, headed by Carl A. Warden, U.L.C.A. comptroller. The work of staff members in his comptroller's office and the production and shipping department have been invaluable to the stewardship office.

A happy experience, too, has been our close relationship with other church bodies, particularly our sister groups of the Lutheran family. We have been able to publish some stewardship materials jointly and, not only have we been able to do a better job at less cost, but we have discovered a closer and deeper Christian fellowship as we have served together in His name. All of this has been heartwarming.

But, most of all, we are thankful to God for this exciting adventure in serving him.

Respectfully submitted,
HENRY ENDRESS, *Secretary for Stewardship*

### 10. Executive Board's Expression of Appreciation to Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship Concerning Its "Venture of Faith"

(See VI, B, vi, 2, p. 250 of this report.)

### 11. Motion Picture Reserve Fund

(See III, 10, (a) and (b), pp. 122-123 of this report.)

### 12. Request of Board of Social Missions that Inner Missions Be the Subject of the Next Stewardship Motion Picture Produced by the Stewardship Department

(See VI, B, x, 5, p. 270 of this report.)

### 13. Stewardship Sermon Outlines, "The Gospel of Giving."

(See VI, C, vii, 7, p. 289 of this report.)

### 14. Stewardship Secretary to Sit as Consultant on Executive Board Finance Committee

(See I, 9, p. 84 of this report.)

## III. FINANCE

### 1. Executive Board Budget

The Executive Board, at its meeting in January 1949, adopted a budget of $92,393.20 for "A. Administration—Executive Board Expense;" $191,841.82 for "B. U.L.C.A. Commissions, Committees and Appropriations;" $56,295.87 for "C. Biennial Convention Fund;" and $7,400.00 for "D. Periodic Meetings Fund" for the year 1949.

The Executive Board, at its meeting in October 1949 adopted a budget of $95,678.00 for "A. Executive Board—Administrative Expense" for the year 1950, "subject to the necessary adjustments at the January 1950 meeting." At the January 1950 meeting the Finance Committee reported "that it does not have any adjustments to his section of the budget to recommend to this meeting."

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board, on recommendation of the Finance Committee, the Board adopted the following additional items of its budget for the year 1950: "B. U.L.C.A. Commissions, Committees, and Appropriations, $162,272.00" and "C. Biennial Convention Fund, $97,297.91."

### 2. Cost of Living Salary Adjustments

*(a) Miss Mabel Groneberg*

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendations:

"The Finance Committee Recommends that the 10 per cent cost of living adjustment granted to Miss Mabel Groneberg in 1948 be continued for the year 1949."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

*(b) Cost of living adjustment continued throughout 1949*

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report:

"At the April 1948 meeting of the Executive Board it was reported that the officers had decided to grant a 10 per cent cost of living adjustment on a quarterly basis to certain U.L.C.A. and Church House employees. This adjustment was continued for the fourth quarter of 1948.

"The officers plan to provide this cost of living adjustment throughout 1949."

This item was received as information.

*(c) Cost of living adjustment made part of base rate of salaries*

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report:

"Through 1948 and 1949 a 10 per cent cost of living adjustment was paid quarterly to nonexecutive members of the U.L.C.A. and the Lutheran Church House staffs.

"Because the cost of living index does not seem likely to decline sharply, and because the addition of the 10 per cent cost of living adjustment to the base salary rates of our employees keeps them in line with comparable rates for comparable services elsewhere, the officers agreed to attach the following memorandum to the first 1950 salary vouchers of the U.L.C.A. personnel mentioned above.

> " 'The officers of the Church, after carefully considering the salary levels of all U.L.C.A. office personnel, have decided to adjust base salaries to include the 10 per cent cost of living allowance previously paid quarterly.
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> " 'This adjustment became effective January 1, 1950 and will automatically eliminate the quarterly allowance paid by separate check.' "

This item was received as information.

### 3. Quarterly Audit Discontinued

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the following recommendations of the Finance Committee were adopted:

"The Finance Committee has reconsidered the advisability and value of quarterly audit procedure for all accounts under the control of the Executive Board as ordered by the Executive Board (in January 1948) and RECOMMENDS that the aforesaid action be rescinded.

"The Finance Committee further RECOMMENDS that this audit be made annually from now on."

### 4. Appointment of Auditors

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board, on recommendation of the Finance Committee, the Board adopted the following:

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS appointment of Tait, Weller & Baker of Philadelphia, Pa. as auditors for the period ending December 31, 1950, to audit and verify by actual check, bank balances, securities, and other evidence of assets, the accounts of the following boards and agencies, it being understood that each board or agency will be billed for the expense of its own audit at prevailing rates:

"Executive Board
Board of Foreign Missions
Board of American Missions
Board of Social Missions
Board of Deaconess Work
Board of Pensions and Relief
Board of Education
Parish and Church School Board
Board of Publication
Lutheran Laymen's Movement
Women's Missionary Society
Luther League of America
Brotherhood of The United Lutheran Church in America"

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS appointment of Tait, Weller & Baker of Philadelphia, Pa., as auditors for the biennium ending June 30, 1952 to audit and verify, as a minimum, by actual check, bank balances, securities, and other evidence of assets the accounts of the following boards and agencies, it being understood that each board or agency will be billed for the expenses of its own audit at prevailing rates:

"Executive Board
Board of Foreign Missions
Board of American Missions
Board of Social Missions
Board of Deaconess Work
Board of Pensions and Relief
Board of Education
Parish and Church School Board
Board of Publication
Lutheran Laymen's Movement
Women's Missionary Society
Luther League of America
Brotherhood of The United Lutheran Church in America"

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 5. Audit of President's Fund

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that the auditors, Tait, Weller & Baker, be instructed to omit from their financial reports to the U.L.C.A. the accounting of the President's Fund, since by action of the Executive Board (Minutes, August 1947, pp. 224-225) the auditing of this fund was committed to the Finance Committee in accordance with the desire of the donors."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 6. Substitute Signatures for Those of Constitutional Officers

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Legal Committee called attention to the fact that the Executive Board had made no provision for the substitution of one person for another in the execution of papers and documents by officers of the U.L.C.A. The illness or prolonged absence of a constitutional officer could produce the problem at any time. The committee reported that it was studying the situation and would report at a future meeting of the Executive Board.

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Legal Committee reported the following recommendation:

"Concerning substitution of signatures for officers, we RECOMMEND adoption of the following resolution:

"RESOLVED that, in case of extended absence or disability of any of the officers of the Church, the following, in the order named, are hereby authorized to act for said officer in signing or executing any checks, notes or other documents or in having access to securities, or in the performing of other duties requiring attention during such officer's absence or disability, viz: the assistant to the president, the secretary, the treasurer or the comptroller shall act for the president; the treasurer or the comptroller shall act for the secretary; and the comptroller, the secretary of stewardship or the secretary shall act for the treasurer, provided that no person act in more than one capacity in any one transaction.

"RESOLVED that a copy of the foregoing resolution duly certified under the official seal be forwarded to any and all depositories of the Executive Board."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendations:

"At the October 1949 meeting the Executive Board adopted resolutions granting authority to persons other than the constitutional officers of the Church to sign or execute checks, notes or other documents when such action is necessitated by extended absence

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or disability of any of the constitutional officers. Serious objections to this procedure have been raised in a reply, dated December 28, 1949, from an officer of The Chase National Bank, one of our depositories:

> " 'We can understand how this resolution would give greater flexibility in the matter of authorized signatures; however, we do not feel that we can execise control properly unless advised in writing when the officers with regular signing authority are absent or disabled. The names of those authorized to advise us of substitutions should also be included in the resolution.'

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board rescind its action of October 1949 regarding the substitution of signatures for officers, inasmuch as one or more of our depositories have indicated that the proposed arrangement is unacceptable, since it is the judgment of the banks concerned that it would be difficult for them to exercise proper control."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"The Finance Committee further RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board adopt the following resolutions which authorize the treasurer, the president, the secretary, the comptroller, or the assistant to the president, or in certain cases any two of them, to sign or execute checks, notes or other documents."

The enabling bank resolutions are exhibited on pages 626 to 640 in the January 1950 minutes of the Executive Board. The resolutions deal with accounts of the U.L.C.A. in the following banks:

Chase National Bank, New York, N. Y.
The Canadian Bank of Commerce, Toronto, Ontario, Canada
Manufacturers Trust Company, New York, N. Y.
The National City Bank of New York, New York, N. Y.
Corn Exchange Bank Trust Company, New York, N. Y.
The National City Bank of New York, New York, N. Y.

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following recommendation concerning the six bank resolutions and the recommendations immediately above:

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS further that the Executive Board record the fact that its purpose in adopting the above action is solely to make provision for the proper conduct of the business of the Church during the extended absence or disability of the constitutional officers of the Church, and that the Executive Board instruct the comptroller and the assistant to the president to exercise this authority only upon the written instruction of one or more of the constitutional officers of the Church."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee reported the following information:

"The filing of Executive Board resolutions adding the names of George F. Harkins, Assistant to the President, and Carl A. Warden, Comptroller, to the list of officers authorized to sign on the U.L.C.A. accounts with the following institutions has now been completed:

"Chase National Bank
Manufacturer's Trust Co.

Canadian Bank of Commerce
National City Bank—CHEY account
National City Bank—Children of the Church a/c
Corn Exchange Bank Trust Co.—Lutheran Church House a/c"

This item was received as information.

**7. Review of Bequests**

*(a) Estate of the Reverend Peter G. Bell*

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Legal Committee presented the following report:

"The Reverend Peter G. Bell, deceased, by his Will dated August 22, 1917 gave to 'the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church,' $200.00 to be used for ministerial aid. This money has not yet been received.

"The executors conceded that The United Lutheran Church in America was the legal successor to the General Synod, accepted our release for the bequest and paid the bequest to the U.L.C.A.

"The attorneys for the executors have interpreted the Will as follows:

> "'This term (ministerial aid) implies, in our opinion, the segregation of the said fund for the use of active or retired ministers in financial distress and within the sole discretion of your organization, without limitation as to distribution of the same in the form of principal or income.'

"The Legal Committee concurs in this interpretation. The Finance Committee should recommend, upon receipt of this bequest, (*a*) disbursement of the principal by the president, (*b*) use by the Board of Pensions and Relief for ministerial relief or (*c*) capitalization in the non-contributory pension plan."

This item was received as information.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the officers reported as follows:

"The president and secretary have signed the following legal instrument, on behalf of The United Lutheran Church in America, during the quarter year under review:

> "Estate of the Reverend Peter G. Bell.
>
> "Release signed November 21, 1949 and returned to Attorney Louis S. Walton, Jr., of Hare and Walton, Lawyers, Altoona, Pa., by President Fry. The bequest was for $200.00."

This item was received as information.

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"The bequest of $200.00 to the United Lutheran Church mentioned in the will of the Rev. Peter G. Bell 'for ministerial aid' (p. 598 January 1950 Executive Board Minutes) was received by the Treasurer February 3, 1950.

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that the sum of $200.00 received from the Estate of Peter G. Bell be disbursed to the principal account of the non-contributory plan of the Board of Pensions and Relief."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

*(b) Estate of John N. Bose (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes p. 96.)*

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Legal Committee presented the following report:

"There is no change in the estate of John N. Bose."

This item was received as information.

*(c) Estate of Frida Schuster Brezinski*

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Legal Committee presented the following report:

"On September 12, 1949, notice was forwarded to the Church office of the probate of the Will of Frida Schuster Brezinski of Troy, New York, in which the United Lutheran Church had an interest. The bequest reads as follows:

> " 'Two Thousand Dollars to The United Lutheran Church in America, headquarters being located at 231 Madison Ave., New York, N. Y., in loving memory of my husband, the Reverend Frederick Brezinski, D.D.'

"This bequest is without any restriction. Upon receipt of the money, the Finance Committee should recommend its disposition."

This report was received as information.

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Legal Committee commented as follows concerning this bequest:

"Payment is expected shortly."

This item was received as information.

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report:

"On August 29, 1950, with a letter from Attorney Christopher Steinkamp, we received a check for $2,000 under the terms of the will of the above testator. This money was placed in General Trust Funds and invested. No specific designation for the use of these funds was apparent from the Will."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

*(d) Estate of George Brungard*

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Legal Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Central Pennsylvania Synod asked the U.L.C.A. to join in a petition to the Orphan Court of Centre County, Pennsylvania, to have the income on a certain charge of $600 originally imposed upon certain land in Miles Township in Centre County under the Will of George Brungard for support of the pastor of 'Brungard Church' diverted and paid to St. Peter's Church of Rebersburg, Pennsylvania, which is serving the constituency formerly of the Brungard Church, which is now defunct.

"Since this is a purely local and synodical matter, the Legal Committee recommends that the proper officers execute the consent and joinder, which has been done. (Estate closed.)

"The Legal Committee RECOMMENDS ratification of this action."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

*(e) Estate of David L. Franciscus* (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 97)

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Legal Committee presented the following report:

"The treasurer of the U.L.C.A. received $170.78 for our 4/50th interest in this Estate."

This item was received as information.

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Legal Committee reported as follows:

"U.L.C.A. received $170.78 in full for its 4/50th interest in this estate."

This report was received as information.

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Financial Committee had presented the following recommendation:

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that the legacy received from the David L. Franciscus estate consisting of cash of $170.78 be credited to the General Trust Funds Account on the books of the U.L.C.A. and pooled with other General Trust Funds for investment and income purposes, but identified as the David L. Franciscus estate."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

*(f) Estate of Mary A. Geissenhainer*

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Legal Committee presented the following report:

"Mary A. Geissenhainer of Morristown, N. J., daughter of the late Reverend Augustus T. Geissenhainer, died June 26, 1949 and in her will made two provisions for the U.L.C.A. as follows:

> " 'ELEVENTH: I give and bequeath to The United Lutheran Church of America as a memorial to my late father the Reverend Augustus T. Geissenhainer the sum of Five Thousand Dollars in trust to invest the same and keep the same invested and receive the interest and income arising therefrom and to pay and apply the net interest and income so received towards the payment of salaries of Home Missionaries under the direction of said Trustees said fund to be known and designated as the "Reverend Augustus T. Geissenhainer Memorial Fund."
>
> " 'THIRTEENTH: I give and bequeath to said United Lutheran Church of America the further sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars to be used for English Foreign Missions.'

"The provisions of Clause Eleven are self-explanatory.

"Clause Thirteen poses two problems; first, whether a trust fund must be set up; second, the significance of the word 'English' as there used.

"Clause Thirteen does not restrict the Church to the use of income and the absence in it of the language used in Clause Eleven is a further indication that no such restriction was intended. Unless, therefore, the court in its Decree of Distribution should otherwise direct, your Legal Committee would advise that the proceeds of Clause Thirteen may be turned over to the Board of Foreign Missions for use both as to principal and income as provided in the Will.

"In our opinion, the word English refers to language and not to nationality. It would prevent use of the gift in orphaned missions administered by missionaries using languages other than English. It refers to the language of the administrators of the mission and not to the language of the field. Since, however, needs are universal and the gift is not large, it might be well to use it for some identifiable purpose in British Guiana or perhaps in India."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Legal Committee reported concerning this estate as follows:

"The Estate was not sufficient to cover all the bequests and therefore we have received as a final payment on the $5,000.00 bequest, the sum of $3,053.71 and on the $250.00 bequest the sum of $152.70." (Estate Closed.)

This item was received as information.

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report:

"As reported by the Legal Committee (Executive Board Minutes, June, 1950, p. 916), a check for $3,206.41 was received from Messrs. Schenck, Price, Smith & King, attorneys for the above estate. The terms of the Will designated $152.70 of the above amount for 'English Foreign Missions,' and this amount has been disbursed to the Board of Foreign Missions. The balance of $3,053.71 has been credited to General Trust Funds and invested, the income of which is to be paid to the Board of American Missions for use toward the payment of salaries of home missionaries."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

*(g) Estate of Rosa Amelia Geissenhainer*

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee reported as follows:

"On September 14, 1949, the U.L.C.A. received a check for $2,000 from the law firm of Schenck, Price, Smith & King, Morristown, New Jersey, which payment was in accordance with paragraph the 'Fifth' of the Will of Rosa Amelia Geissenhainer.

"The terms of the Will provide that this money be divided equally between English Home Missions and English Foreign Missions."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Legal Committee presented the following report and recommendation.

"At our August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board (Minutes, p. 329) report was made of bequests by Mary A. Geissenhainer to Home and English Foreign Missions.

"We have since been informed that Mary A. Geissenhainer was the life beneficiary in the estate of her sister, Rosa A. Geissenhainer, who died over 40 years ago and that upon the death of Mary A. Geissenhainer, on June 21, 1949 a beqquest in the Will of Rosa A. Geissenhainer dated July 26, 1895 became payable and has in fact been paid to the treasurer of The United Lutheran Church in America. The relevant clause reads as follows:

> "FIFTH: After the death of my sister Mary I give and bequeath $1,000 to the Theological Seminary of the Evangelical Lutheran Church at Mt. Airy, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and $2,000 to the Board of Trustees of the General Council of the Lutheran Church of North America in trust, one half for English Home Missions and one half for English Foreign Missions.'

"The Legal Committee would RECOMMEND payment of the $2,000 bequest in equal shares to the Board of American Missions and the Board of Foreign Missions, with instructions that the money become a part of their invested funds." (Estate closed.)

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

*(h) Estate of Lillie Kate Lemon (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 97)*

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Legal Committee presented the following report:

"The comptroller has called to the attention of the Legal Committee the fact that the compromise amount of $1,000 reported in 1940 U.L.C.A. Minutes, page 97, has never been received by the treasurer.

"Members of the Legal Committee which reported this compromise inform us that the reported negotiations fell through and that the compromise was never consummated.

"The Legal Committee reports this information to clear the records of the treasurer.

"It should also be noted, however, that the failure of the compromise enabled the Central Pennsylvania Synod to realize $11,432.25 out of this estate for its proposed Home for the Aged, and since the gift was alternative to it or to the U.L.C.A. there is a large net gain to the church at large."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

*(i) Estate of Lars E. Lunda*

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Legal Committee presented the following report:

"Under a Will probated August 7, 1931, every five years U.L.C.A. receives interest on investment of $500.00 held in trust by Union Trust Company of Madison, Wisconsin, income to be paid to Pastors' Pension Fund for 25 years and then principal to be used as Church deems best. Next payment due December 31, 1950."

This item was received as information.

*(j) Estate of Millie C. Maier (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 98)*

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Legal Committee presented the following report:

"There is no change in the estate of Millie C. Maier."

This item was received as information.

*(k) Estate of Pauline Poppitz*

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Legal Committee presented the following report:

"The fifth paragraph of the Will of Pauline Poppitz, who died in 1929, provides for bequests of $10,000.00 each to her cousins Adam Franck, Philipine Franck, Katherine Franck and Sophie Franck, with certain contingencies and in case neither cousins nor their issue shall survive Miss Poppitz, then the bequests are to become a part of her residuary estate. The U.L.C.A. for the benefit of the 'Lutheran Ministers' Pension Fund' is one of eighteen equal beneficiaries of the residuary estate. Efforts to find the cousins or their issue have failed and application has been made to the court to declare the parties dead without issue and to have the funds (now over $50,000.00) become a part of the residuary estate. Upon recommendations of Christopher Steinkamp, Esquire, the interests of U.L.C.A. were placed in the hands of Paul G. Gravenhorst, Esquire, who also represents the Wartburg School."

This item was received as information.

*(l) Estate of Rudolph F. Reichwald*

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Legal Committee presented the following report:

"Rudolph F. Reichwald of Hudson County, New Jersey, made the following bequest to the United Lutheran Church in his Will:

> "I do give and bequeath five (5%) percentum to the United Lutheran Church, 39 East 35th Street, New York, New York, to be used for 'Lutheran World Service.'

"The distributable balance in the estate was $47,162.20 of which we were entitled to and received $2,358.11.

"The Legal Committee advises that this fund is available as to principal and interest for Lutheran World Action. The Finance Committee should recommend its disposition."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

At the January, 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the officers reported as follows:

"The president and secretary have signed the following legal instrument on behalf of The United Lutheran Church in America, during the quarter year under review:

"Estate of Mr. Rudolph F. Reichwald.

"Refunding bond and release signed December 22, 1949, and returned by Secretary Reinartz to Edward A. Smarak, Counsellor at Law, Dispatch Building, Union City, New Jersey on December 28, 1949. The bequest was for $2,358.11."

This item was received as information.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report:

"A check in the amount of $2,358.11.* dated 12/29/49, was received from Charles W. Reichwald, Executor, in payment of a bequest to the U.L.C.A. of 5 per cent under the Will of Rudolph F. Reichwald—'to be used for Lutheran World Service.' The officers of the Church interpreted this to mean Lutheran World Action, and the funds, therefore, have been disbursed to the National Lutheran Council for this cause."

The Executive Board took the following action: "Moved and carried that the Executive Board ratify the decision of the officers."

This bequest is not to be confused with the bequest of exactly the same amount, which was conveyed by the will of Rudolph F. Reichwald to the Board of American Missions of the U.L.C.A. for "Jewish Mission work," as detailed in VI, B, ii, 7, p. 216 of this report.

*(m) Estate of Jacob H. Schroder*

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Legal Committee presented the following report:

"On February 25, 1949 the attention of the officers was called to the Estate of Jacob H. Schroder who died in Charleston, South Carolina, in the year 1920 leaving a Will the pertinent clauses of which are as follows:

> " 'I give devise and bequeath my entire estate real and personal mixed and of every kind and description whatsoever which I may own or be in any wise entitled to at the time of my death unto my wife Emma R. Schroder her heirs executors administrators and assigns forever. I hereby announce constitute and appoint my said wife Emma R. Schroder sole executrix of this my last will and testament. During her life time and after her death

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* This amount was reported by the Legal Committee at the June, 1950, meeting of the Executive Board as being "in full payment of our (U.L.C.A.) share in this estate."

> said estate is to be given to the United Synod of the Southern Evangelical Lutheran Church for aiding worthy young men for the Gospel Ministry in said synod.'

"The question has been raised whether the widow received the estate outright and the gift over to the Church was void or whether the Will was to be interpreted as giving the widow a life estate and the Synod of the South was to receive the estate upon her death. The widow recently attempted to sell real estate in Charleston, South Carolina, to one Gus Antipas and upon his refusal to accept title without joinder of the United Synod of the South or its successor, The United Lutheran Church in America, the widow brought legal action to compel acceptance of a deed signed by herself alone. The court in Charleston decreed that the widow did not have the right to convey full title to the property whereupon she appealed to the Supreme Court of South Carolina which refused to decide the point because the United Lutheran Church being interested had not been made a party. (51 Southeastern Reporter, 2nd, 365.)

"The attorney for the widow has now instituted proceedings to join the United Lutheran Church and on the recommendation of the Rev. Karl W. Kinard, president of the Synod of South Carolina, the officers of the Church appointed J.D.E. Meyer of Charleston, South Carolina, to represent the United Lutheran Church in this litigation.

"We will report further progress from time to time."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Legal Committee presented the following report:

"Pursuant to an opinion of the Supreme Court of South Carolina (Executive Board Minutes, April 1949, p. 180) the U.L.C.A. was made a party defendant to a suit brought by the widow of Jacob Schroder to determine whether the gift to her in her husband's Will was of a fee simple estate of a mere life estate.

"J. D. E. Meyer, Esq. of Charleston, S. C., who was retained by U.L.C.A., reports that the Circuit Court had decided in our favor, but that Mrs. Schroder has appealed to the South Carolina Supreme Court, who will hear argument in October or November 1949."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Legal Committee presented the following report:

"This estate was in litigation in the courts of South Carolina to determine whether the widow was given an absolute estate, voiding an apparent gift of the remained to the Church for aid to ministerial students. (Executive Board Minutes, October 1949, p. 330.) The Supreme Court of South Carolina, in an opinion handed down November 15, 1949, and reported in 56 South Eastern Reporter, 2nd Series, Page 354, decided that the widow had an absolute estate in her husband's property under the Will and that the gift to the Church was inoperative. While this decision affected only one piece of real estate, it will undoubtedly apply to all other property. The Schroder Estate can be marked closed."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### *(n) Estate of William Wallis, Jr.*

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Legal Committee presented the following report:

"A letter addressed to The United Lutheran Church in America, dated April 9, 1949, was received from the Allison-East End Trust Company, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, to the effect that the company, as Executor of the Estate of William Wallis, Jr., deceased, has filed its first and final account in the Orphans' Court of Dauphin County, Pennsylvania, and that the same will be presented to the said Court for audit on May 16, 1949.

"This communication has been referred to Attorney Paul H. Rhoads of Harrisburg, by the Legal Committee, at the suggestion of the Rev. George F. Harkins, who has recommended Mr. Rhoads as a lawyer who will represent the U.L.C.A. in this matter."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Legal Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"At the April, 1949, meeting, the Estate of William Wallis, Jr., of Harrisburg, was called to the attention of the Executive Board and Paul H. Rhoads, Esq., was engaged to represent the U.L.C.A., which was given one-half of the residuary estate after successive life estates to Jesse and Veronica Zimmerman.

"The gross estate was $2,641.05; debts, funeral expenses and administration amounted to $1,556.36, leaving $1,084.69 for distribution. $1,074.69 of this balance consisted of a U. S. Treasury Bond which decedent had, by a paper excuted in his lifetime and after the execution of his Will, directed to be given to a Harrisburg minister.

"Mr. Rhoads advises us, and your Legal Committee concurs with this opinion, that the minister is entitled to the bond.

"Under the circumstances we RECOMMEND that the estate be marked closed on our records and that the secretary send a note of thanks to Mr. Rhoads for having served us faithfully and without compensation."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

*(o) Estate of Amelia R. L. Weaver*

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Legal Committee presented the following report:

"Bequest in hands of Norristown-Penn Trust Company, income to Board of American Missions. The Will of Amelia R. L. Weaver dated November 6, 1918 provides in Item 2, II, after the death of my husband (*e*) to pay to my sister, Mrs. Clara Simpers of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, the net income arising from the sum of $5,000.00 during her lifetime and after her death to pay the said income to The United Lutheran Church in America, to be applied towards church extension and in aid of struggling churches.' The Penn Trust Company of Norristown, now the Norristown-Penn Trust Company, is the surviving trustee of the estate. Both the husband and Mrs. Clara Simpers are deceased and the present value of the assets in this trust fund amount to $4,911.87 upon which the U.L.C.A. receives the income semi-annually.

"We are reporting details at this time because we have not found them in earlier reports and because it is a fund the principal of which is not in the possession of the treasurer of The United Lutheran Church in America."

This item was received as information.

*(p) Estate of Herbert Trimble Weber (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 100)*

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Legal Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"On November 15, 1948, the Rev. Sylvester L. Bogar submitted to the residuary legatees under the Will of Herbert Trimble Weber, deceased, a proposition for the distribution in kind of certain securities held in the Estate, among the several legatees. Our share consisted of municipal bonds having a face value of $14,000 and an appraisal value as of October 17, 1948 of $13,222.15. We received an equalizing factor of $950.60 in cash. Such distribution was permissible under the fourth paragraph of the Will, which provided for conversion into cash of all assets, 'except United States Government Bonds and Municipal Bonds, which shall be considered the same as cash.'

"The Legal Committee submitted the total list and allocations to Dr. Stackel, Chairman of the Investment Commission, who replied on November 23, 1948 that the distribution was fair. We then recommended acceptance of the distribution and the execution of a release pro tanto.

"These bonds are unrestricted assets of the Church as to both principal and interest, subject to the will of the Executive Board. Recommendations for disposition of the bonds and for allocation of the principal and interest should come from the Finance Committee.

"The Legal Committee RECOMMENDS ratification of this action."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee reported as follows:

"The U.L.C.A. was named as a beneficiary in the Will of Herbert Trimble Weber. The legacy received from the executor to date consisted of cash in the amount of $950.60 and municipal securities having the appraised value of $13,307.20. These securities were sold for $13,667.69.

"The Finance Committee and the Investment Commission agreed in the judgment that, after proper comparisons of the appraised value of these securities, they be sold promptly. Accordingly, instructions were given to the municipal bond house of Draun, Bosworth & Co., Toledo, Ohio to sell these securities at market.

"The terms of the Will of Herbert Trimble Weber with respect to The United Lutheran Church in America and regarding this legacy, read:

> "'. . . to be used for such purposes as the Board of Directors of said Corporation or a majority thereof shall determine to be for the best interest of the promotion of the work of said corporation.'

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that the legacy received from the Herbert Trimble Weber estate, consisting of cash of $950.60 and proceeds of the sale of the municipal bonds of $13,667.69 be credited to the General Trust Funds account on the books of the U.L.C.A. and pooled with other General Trust Funds for investment and income purposes, but identified as the Herbert Trimble Weber estate."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the president presented the following report:

"On March 28, 1950 the president executed a legal 'receipt for residue' in full and complete satisfaction of the United Lutheran Church's entire interest in the residue of the personal estate of the late Herbert Trimble Weber.

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Legal Committee reported as follows concerning the estate of Herbert Trimble Weber:

"Distribution in kind of bonds with equalizing sum of $950.60, in cash on which was realized $13,667.69 and final cash distribution of $6,100.95, closing the estate."

This item was received as information.

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report:

"A check in the amount of $6,100.95 was received on April 27, 1950 from the Rev. Sylvester Boger, Executor of the Herbert Trimble Weber Estate, in full settlement of the Estate. These funds have been credited to the General Trust funds account and invested.

"The Executor also enclosed as part of the final settlement an assignment of a 3/12 interest in a cemetery lot. On May 3, 1950, in accordance with the instructions of the officers of the Church, the comptroller offered this assignment to the American Lutheran Church, which is also a legatee, with a 5/12 interest. Dr. H. F. Schuh, Director of Stewardship and Finance of the American Lutheran Church, replied under date of May 5 that their Investment Committee was considering the offer.

"It was moved and seconded that the Executive Board ratify the action of the officers."

The motion was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"On July 5 we received a letter from Dr. H. F. Schuh, Director of Stewardship and Finance of the American Lutheran Church, to the effect that they had decided to transfer their 5/12th share in the cemetery lot (Executive Board, Minutes, June 1950, p. 938) to Capital University and suggested to us that we also transfer our 3/12 share in said lot to that institution.

"The assignment to Capital University of our 3/12 interest was prepared by Attorney Christopher Steinkamp, and, under date of August 25, 1950, this assignment was forwarded to Mr. Virgil Dassel, Treasurer of Capital University, Columbus, Ohio.

"Motion made and seconded that this transaction be approved."

The motion was adopted by the Executive Board.

### (q) *Estate of Marcus Westerman*

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Legal Committee presented the following report:

"By Will and Codicil dated respectively December 24, 1930 and January 23, 1943, Marcus Westerman of Youngstown, Ohio bequeathed $100.00 to the U.L.C.A. The Will was probated on March 19, 1950 and payment is expected in due course of time."

This item was received as information.

### (r) *Estate of J. B. Finley*

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board, the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"A check in the amount of $500 was received on June 23, 1950 from Charles W. Dodson, Ass't Vice President, People's First National Bank and Trust Company, Pittsburgh 30, Pa., as a bequest from the Estate of J. B. Finley.

"Correspondence in the secretary's files indicates that this bequest was intended for Church extension purposes, and accordingly, it will be disbursed to the Board of American Missions.

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board instruct the treasurer to credit this remittance to the General Trust Fund and disburse this amount to the Board of American Missions."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

(s) *Estate of Francis Koellmer Thomas and Nikolaus Thomas mortgage (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 98-100)*

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report:

"The widow of Nickolaus Thomas (Executive Board Minutes, April, 1950, p. 768) under date of July 12, 1950, paid in full the remaining principal amount of $1,250 on the mortgage and interest of $7.09 from the date of the last payment to July 12, 1950.

"Attorney Christopher Steinkamp prepared a Satisfaction of Mortgage which was duly executed by the officers and turned over to Mrs. Thomas with the paid-in-full mortgage. The insurance policy covering the ULCA was also returned to Mrs. Thomas.

"The cash received was invested in U.S. Government securities."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 8. Review of New Items in Budgets of Synods

*(a) Budget of Georgia-Alabama Synod, 1950*

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Georgia-Alabama Synod, through Secretary Thomas H. Weeks, has transmitted an action of that synod including a new item of $1,000 in the synod's 1950 budget as a contribution toward the expense of preparing radio transcriptions for two broadcasts over a network approximately 150 radio stations in the southeast from Virginia to Texas.

"Each year the Southeastern Federal Council office in Atlanta sponsors a series of denominational broadcasts of this character and has tentatively assigned nine weekly periods during March and April to the Lutherans in the Southeast. No restrictions are placed upon the confessional or churchly character of the broadcasts.

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board concur in this action of the Georgia-Alabama Synod."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

*(b) Budget of Iowa Synod, 1950*

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendations:

"(1) The Iowa Synod, through President F. D. Boldt, submits the following request:

> "'That permission be granted to the United Lutheran Synod in Iowa to include in its 1950 budget an item of $300 for "Luther League Camp Transportation Equalization." The location used for the Iowa Luther League Bible Camp is in the northwest corner of the state at a considerable distance from many of our parishes. The transportation expense has been a problem to many of our leaguers. Purpose of this fund will be to aid in equalizing the travel expense of leaguers coming from the longer distances.'

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board concur in this request."

"(2) In addition, the Iowa Synod, again through President Boldt, requests:

> "'That permission be granted to the United Lutheran Synod in Iowa to include in its 1950 budget an item of $7,500 to cover such expenses as may be incurred by synod in connection with the 1950 biennial convention of The United Lutheran Church in America, and the convention of the Brotherhood of The United Lutheran Church in America.'

"Hitherto, the local expense incident to the holding of conventions of The United Lutheran Church and of the Brotherhood has been provided for outside of synodical budgets. The inclusion of such an expense item within the budget of a synod does not seem to your committee to be an ideal practice. However, with the hope that no continuing precedent will be established, your Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board concur in the desire of the Iowa Synod as expressed in this request."

The recommendations were adopted by the Executive Board.

*(c) Budget of Michigan Synod, 1950*

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Michigan Synod through Secretary Clarence M. Alexander, in a letter dated June 9, 1949, explains the request of the synod for the addition of two new items for the 1950 budget of the synod as follows: $.05 per communing member for social missions, $.25 per communing member for the Lutheran Student Center. The first item of $.05 is the restoration of a similar appropriation for social missions. The second item of $.25 is in fulfillment of its agreement to contribute to the work of the Lutheran Student Foundations at the University of Michigan and Michigan State College. This sum represents the balance due from this synod to cover its agreement for these co-operative foundations. It is understood, therefore, that this is a non-recurring item.

"Secretary Alexander assures the Executive Board that the general work of the United Lutheran Church will not be penalized because of the additions. The Synod has been a 100%-synod in raising its apportionment for a number of years.

"The Committee RECOMMENDS approval of these two items by the Executive Board."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

*(d) Budget of United Lutheran Synod of New York*

(1) 1950 Budget

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"We are advised by President Frederick R. Knubel that:

> "'At the convention of the United Lutheran Synod of New York held in Buffalo, June 13-16, 1949, a new item, amounting to about $1,000 was introduced into the budget for a Blanket Bond covering the treasurers and all financial agents (including auxiliaries) in the congregations of the Synod.'

"Although the Blanket Bond (Executive Board Minutes, April, 1949, p. 151) is not to be listed as a separate item in the budget of the United Synod of New York, but is to be included under Insurance, Security Bond, Auditor, and Miscellaneous Expenses, it involves expenditures of approximately $1,000 and a consequent increase of the 'Insurance, Security Bond, Auditor and Miscellaneous Expenses' item from $1,500 to $2,500.

"The Finance Committee looks with favor upon this action of the United Lutheran Synod of New York and RECOMMENDS its approval by the Executive Board."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report:

"The following communication was received by Secretary Reinartz from the Rev. Frederick R. Knubel, president of the New York Synod:

> " 'This is official notification that the Executive Committee of the United Lutheran Synod of New York has voted to recommend to our Synod at its coming convention June 5-8, 1950 that an Assistant to the President be called at a salary of $4,500; Maintenance $1,150; Field Expense $1,000. This is, of course, an addition to our budget, which we feel is a necessary one and will add greatly to the contributions to the United Lutheran Church, especially because one of his chief fields will be that of stewardship.
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> " 'The notification is given at this time because someone will be elected to this new office at the Synod convention, if the resolution is adopted.'

"Moved and seconded that if it please the New York Synod to add this item to its budget, the Executive Board will raise no objection."

The motion was adopted by the Executive Board.

(2) 1951 Budget

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"The following two new items were added to the 1951 budget of the New York Synod at its recent convention:

> "(*a*) Home Mission Field Developer, Salary $4,000, plus living quarters and expenses. This is not a new office, but has not been filled for several years.
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> "(*b*) President's Confidential Fund—$1,000. This is mostly, but not entirely, for emergency help of retired pastors, until the Board of Pensions and Relief should aid.

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board raise no question concerning the inclusion of item (*a*) in the budget. Inasmuch as item (*b*) is raised from sources outside the benevolence budget, it requires no action from the Executive Board."

This recommendation concerning (*a*) was adopted by the Executive Board.

*(e) Budget of the Synod of the Northwest, 1950*

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation.

"The Secretary received notice of the following new items in the budget of the Northwest Synod for the year 1950. The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board raise no question concerning inclusion by the Northwest Synod in its 1950 budget of these items:

> "(a) 3 per cent of the income for Inner Missions designated for Montana Lutheran Welfare Association.
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> "(b) 10 per cent of the income for university student work designated for North Dakota Agricultural College."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

*(f) Budget of Ohio Synod (Group Hospitalization)*

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"President George W. Miley of the Ohio Synod has sent an official notice that the 1949 convention of that synod has included $9,000 in the 'synodical treasury budget' item of its 1950 budget to cover the cost of group hospitalization of pastors. This money will be used to pay for 'the enrollment of all men upon the roll of synod, active or inactive, not otherwise gainfully employed, upon the territory of the synod, in the Blue Cross agencies within the Synod of Ohio.'

"The Finance Committee commends the generous intentions of the Synod of Ohio and its sensitiveness to the needs of its pastors but seriously questions the soundness of this principle. Payment by a synod for hospitalization insurance for its pastors does not differ in principle from payment of pastors' salaries. Adoption of this policy is at variance with the past practice of our Church and American Lutheranism as a whole. It seems to your committee to be an innovation which holds disturbing possibilities for the future.

"The Finance Committee, therefore, RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board request the Synod of Ohio to reconsider this action at its next convention."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Constituent Synods presented the following report:

"The reply of the Executive Board of the Synod of Ohio to the action of the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church on the inclusion in the proposed budget of the Synod of Ohio for 1950 of $9,000 to be used to pay for 'the enrollment of all men upon the roll of Synod, active or inactive, not otherwise gainfully employed, upon the territory of the Synod, in the Blue Cross agencies within the Synod of Ohio,' requesting the Synod of Ohio to reconsider this action at its next convention, was transmitted to Secretary Reinartz under date of September 19, 1949, and herewith follows:

> "'*Action of the Executive Board of the Synod of Ohio on Action of the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America*
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> "'Whereas the matter of Group Hospitalization was carefully considered at two conventions of the Synod of Ohio, each of which was attended by representatives of The United Lutheran Church in America; and
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> "'Whereas the 1948 convention specifically instructed the Executive Board of the Synod to present a plan of Group Hospitalization for the pastors of Synod to the 1949 convention of the Synod; and
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> "'Whereas the Group Hospitalization Plan was presented which was fully explained at the Laymen's meeting and upon the floor of Synod, fully discussed, thoroughly debated and adopted; and
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> "'Whereas the Constitution of the Synod of Ohio specifies in Article SIX, Section I, Paragraph 2: "It shall be the duty of the Executive Board, (*a*) To carry out the synod's resolutions," therefore be it
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> "'RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Executive Board of the Synod of Ohio be instructed to transmit to the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America, that it is our carefully considered judgment that:
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> > "'(*a*) The Executive Board of the Synod of Ohio is therefore bound to proceed in carrying out the action of Synod to put the Group Hospitalization Plan into effect by January 1, 1950.
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> > "'(*b*) The Group Hospitalization Plan is merely the extension on a wide basis of the work and actions of our present Committee on Pastors' Salaries and Aid, as carried out in the past in special cases only.
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> "'And be it further
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> "'RESOLVED that the action of the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America regarding the action of the Synod of Ohio on Group

> Hospitalization be fully reported at the 1950 Convention of Synod in the regular manner.
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> "'September 7, 1949
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> "'Attest: A true copy.
> (Signed)
> E. Rudolph Walborn, Secretary'

"The Committee on Constituent Synods, after reviewing the above reply, recognizes the position in which the Executive Board of the Ohio Synod finds itself.

"The committee desires to point out that a group hospitalization plan financed entirely by a synod, can hardly be interpreted as 'merely the extension on a wide basis of the work and actions of our present Committee on Pastors' Salaries and Aid,' but rather involves a principle the wisdom of which is at least open to serious question."

This item was received as information.

The Executive Board took the following further action concerning this item:

"Moved that the Executive Board concur in the above statement as submitted by the Committee on Constituent Synods."

The motion was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report:

"At its August, 1949, meeting (Executive Board Minutes, p. 365), the Finance Committee reported that the Ohio Synod had included $9,000 in the 'synodical treasury budget' item of its 1950 budget to cover the cost of group hospitalization of pastors. Upon recommendation of the Finance Committee, the Executive Board requested the Ohio Synod to reconsider this action at its next convention.

"At the October, 1949, meeting of the Executive Board (Minutes, p. 431), the Committee on Constituent Synods presented the reply of the Executive Board of the Synod of Ohio to the above-mentioned action of the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church.

"At the 1950 Convention of the Ohio Synod, the request of the U.L.C.A. Executive Board (Executive Board Minutes, p. 365), together with the answer of the synodical Executive Board, was reported in full. The Synod took the following action:

> "'That the Committee on Pastors' Salaries and Aid, in consultation with the (synodical) Executive Board, study the matter of group hospitalization for the pastors, and be instructed to bring in a recommendation at the next (1951) meeting of Synod.'"

This item was received as information.

*(g) Budget of South Carolina Synod, 1950*

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"President Karl W. Kinard of the South Carolina Synod has reported on March 24, 1950 that the South Carolina Synod placed an item of $3,000 on its 1950 budget to complete its share in the purchase price of Lutheridge, the new joint assembly grounds of the southern synods. He further stated that one-half of this sum has already been received as a contribution from one of the synodical boards out of its surplus funds. The other half also, President Kinard expects, will come from sources other than the benevolence contributions of the congregations.

"Under normal circumstances, the Finance Committee would be forced to feel that the inclusion of an item of this type in a synodical budget for the purpose of providing funds for capital investment in an institution, including a summer camp, is contrary to the guiding principles regarding benevolence funds which were adopted by the 1934 convention, (1934 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 413), and which read, in part: 'Funds necessary for deficits or for desired expansion should be secured through sources other than the synodical apportionment.' However, in view of the fact that the income to meet this expenditure is expected from extra-budgetary sources, the Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board raise no objection to this action of the South Carolina Synod."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

(*h*) *Budget Item—Virginia Synod*

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"At its 1950 convention the Virginia Synod voted:

> " 'That the Synod authorize the Executive Council to arrange for a blanket position bond covering all officers and employees of Synod, conference and member churches, each individual being bonded in the amount of $2,500.00, with such excess to cover the synodical officers as the Executive Council may deem necessary, the cost of said plan, not to exceed $550.00, to be paid by the Synod through an appropriation from unallocated treasury balances, with the understanding that any excess to cover congregational officers be paid by the congregations themselves.'

"This expenditure parallels a similar appropriation by the United Lutheran Synod of New York (Executive Board Minutes, p. 441), which was regarded with approval by this Board.

"The Finance Committee looks with favor upon this action of the Synod of Virginia and RECOMMENDS the concurrence of the Executive Board."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

(*i*) *Budgets of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of New Jersey, 1950 and 1951*

See V, B, 23, (g), p. 202 of this report.

**9. Canadian Funds**

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report:

"An application was made on November 16, 1948 to the Canadian Control Commission for the transfer of $40,000 from our Canadian Bank of Commerce account in Toronto to our depositary in the United States at the official Canadian Government rate of exchange, which is ½ of 1 per cent.

"President Fry accompanied the application with a detailed letter of explanation stating the reasons for the desired transfer. Due to a misunderstanding of the original application to the Canadian Control Commission, the application for the transfer of these funds was denied. After a consultation with a representative from the Canadian Bank of Commerce, it was decided to make a new application to have Canadian funds transferred to India for use by the Board of Foreign Missions.

"The comptroller is presently preparing a resume of the activity of the U.L.C.A. Canadian bank account for presentation with the new application.

"The Finance Committee submits the foregoing as information."

This item was received as information.

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Canadian Foreign Exchange Control Board has approved our application for the transfer of $100,000 Canadian to India. A representative of the board has orally indicated that favorable consideration will be given to future applications of the U.L.C.A. for the transfer of Canadian dollars to India or other 'sterling' areas. The principal reason given by the board for the delay in approving our initial application was the practice of the Board of Pensions and Relief of purchasing Canadian dollars in the United States at the unofficial rate. The Control Board is on the alert for practices of this kind and holds in abeyance money transfer applications in order to discourage it.

"The Pension Board pays Canadian pensioners in Canadian dollars. The saving to the Pension Board is approximately $500 or $600 a year. The favorable consideration of our application by the Control Board was arranged with the understanding that the Pension Board discontinue the practice of buying Canadian dollar exchange. The executive secretary of the Pension Board has agreed to submit to the Finance Committee of his board the proposal that the practice of purchasing Canadian dollar exchange be discontinued; also, that the Pension Board request the treasurer of the U.L.C.A. to transfer to the Pension Board's bank account at Montreal each month the amount needed to make the payments to Canadian pensioners in Canadian dollars, the Pension Board to give the U.L.C.A. its U. S. dollars check for the equivalent amount of Canadian dollars transferred.

"The discontinuance of the exchange profit to the Pension Board will not result in a loss to the U.L.C.A. as a whole but will be advantageous to the broad work of the Church. The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board approve the foregoing procedure in principle and authorize the officers of the U.L.C.A. to convey to the Pension Board its desire that they enter into such arrangements."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"A year ago, as reported in the Executive Board minutes, $100,000 Canadian was transferred to India for the account of the Board of Foreign Missions. At that time this transaction proved to be a practical outlet for our Canadian funds inasmuch as we were unable to convert them to U. S. dollars without sustaining a loss of approximately 8 per cent in exchange.

"In January of this year we transferred $50,000 Canadian to India, but the transaction resulted in an exchange loss of approximately 10 per cent. The devaluation of the Canadian dollar last September has made it impractical for us to use this method of withdrawing excess balances from Canada.

"In order to offset the exchange loss sustained in this recent transaction, it was suggested by the Canadian Bank of Commerce that we transfer $45,000 U. S. dollars to Canada which would give us a credit there of approximately $50,000 Canadian, thereby re-establishing the balance to the figure before the transfer. If this can be accomplished, it is planned to purchase Canadian Government securities. It is anticipated that this entire amount will be used in Canada during 1950-1951.

"Since we were required to exhaust all apportionment funds to make the January 1950 allocation payments, it will be necessary to look to some other source for funds to be transferred to Canada to make the above plan possible. A commercial loan of $50,000 for this purpose with a possible 2 per cent interest rate is suggested. The interest expense of this loan would be offset by the interest earned on the Canadian bonds.

"The Finance Committee, therefore, Recommends that the officers of the Church be empowered by the Executive Board to borrow up to $50,000 in the name of the U.L.C.A. in a commercial loan, pledging such securities owned by the U.L.C.A. and under the control of the Executive Board as may be necessary."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report:

"At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board on recommendation of the Finance Committee, the officers of the Church were empowered (Minutes, p. 763) 'to borrow up to $50,000 in the name of the U.L.C.A. in a commercial loan, pledging such securities owned by the U.L.C.A. and under the control of the Executive Board as may be necessary.' This authorization was not taken by the officers for the reasons set forth by the report of the Finance Committee to this meeting, item 3, page 931."

This item was received as information.

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report:

"The officers of the Church were empowered to borrow up to $50,000 to replace funds in Canada previously transferred to India, which had resulted in an exchange loss (Executive Board Minutes, April, 1950, p. 763).

"The repayment of the CHEY advances made the borrowing unnecessary, and, therefore, the Finance Committee recommends that the authority granted to the officers to borrow for the above-stated purpose be withdrawn. Adopted.

"The repayment of the CHEY advance made it possible to transfer U. S. dollars from Part II Apportionment funds to our Canadian depository. On May 24, 1950, we transferred $45,454.44 (U. S.) and received credit in Canada for $50,000 (Canadian). Except for $7.55, the exchange difference offset our previous loss.

"The Canadian funds have been invested in $50,000 Government of Canada 1¾ per cent bonds due 11/1/51."

This item was received as information.

### 10. Stewardship: Motion Picture Reserve Fund

#### *(a) Establishment Authorized*

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"Both the 1947 moving picture, 'And Now I See' and the 1948 picture, 'Salt of the Earth' are now being distributed for the use of other church bodies. The Stewardship Office is receiving from several sources—but primarily from Cathedral Films, Inc., our principal distributors—funds for the rental and leasing of these pictures. In accordance with an understanding within the Executive Board, this money has been regarded as a reserve to be used for the making of future moving pictures. The actual establishment of a fund for this purpose has not yet been set up on the records. The Finance Committee therefore Recommends:

"That the treasurer be instructed to set aside all income received to date from the rentals, leasing, and sale of prints of the U.L.C.A. stewardship films, which income is at present being held in the 'Stewardship Fund,' and to establish therewith a separate

'Motion Picture Reserve Fund' as a part of the Executive Board treasury; all future receipts from U.L.C.A. motion pictures to be credited to this fund.

"Further, that the comptroller be instructed to keep separate records of the receipts from each film."

The recommendations were adopted by the Executive Board.

*(b) Income from Investment to be added to Fund*

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Executive Board at its April 21-22, 1949, meeting, instructed the treasurer to establish the above fund for the income from the rentals, leasing, and sale of prints of the U.L.C.A. Stewardship films. The balance of this fund at June 30, 1949 was $39,543.24. The expectation is that it will be at least two years before this fund will be drawn on. These funds have been invested in U. S. Government securities, and no provision has been made for the disposition of the income on this investment.

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that the income from all Motion Picture Reserve Fund investments be considered as part of this fund, inasmuch as both the principal amount and the income of the fund are intended for investment in future motion pictures."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 11. Biennial Convention Fund, Unexpended Balance from Philadelphia, 1948 Convention Added to Funds Provided for 1950 Convention

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"The total amount provided for the cost of the 1948 biennial convention at Philadelphia was $53,196.78. The actual expenditures total $48,009.08, leaving an unexpended balance of $5,187.70.

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that the unexpended amount of $5,187.70 be added to the amount provided for the cost of the 1950 biennial convention. This adjustment will establish the provision for the 1950 biennial convention fund at $52,687.70, exclusive of income on investments."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 12. Children of the Church Fund

The Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendations to the Executive Board at its January 1949 meeting:

"The Children of the Church program is under the guidance of the Parish and Church School Board. The treasurer's office of the U.L.C.A. receives all gifts and collections from Children of the Church, and makes monthly distributions to the Parish and Church School Board of the amount provided in the budget for the Children of the Church administration; it also makes annual distributions to the boards and agencies included in the Children of the Church budget.

"(*a*) Because of the distinctive character of this fund and because the present procedure of including this fund on the Executive Board report is confusing, the Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that a separate bank account and separate records be maintained for this fund."

This recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"(*b*) The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS FURTHER, the opening of an account in the name of 'The United Lutheran Church in America—Children of the Church Administration' in The National City Bank of New York, 42nd Street Branch, 42nd Street and Madison Avenue, New York City subject to withdrawal by the treasurer and into which account the treasurer shall be authorized to deposit such funds as from time to time are received by the treasurer for the Children of the Church Administration Fund."

This recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

The Finance Committee continued its report on this item as follows:

"The Finance Committee presents the following formal resolution for adoption by the Executive Board:

> "That The National City Bank of New York (hereinafter called the 'Bank') be and hereby is designated a depository of the funds of this Corporation, and the treasurer, president or secretary is hereby authorized to sign, for and on behalf of this Corporation, any and all checks, drafts or other orders with respect to any funds at any time(s) to the credit of this Corporation with the Bank and/or against any account(s) of this Corporation maintained at any time(s) with the Bank, inclusive of any such checks, drafts, or other orders in favor of any of the above-designated officer(s) and/or other person(s), and that the Bank be and hereby is authorized to pay and debit the same to any account(s) of this Corporation then maintained with it; and the Bank is hereby further authorized to receive for deposit to the credit of this Corporation, and/or for collection for the account of this Corporation, any and all checks, drafts, notes or other instruments for the payment of money, whether or not endorsed by this Corporation, and that such item shall be deemed to have been unqualifiedly endorsed by this Corporation, and also to receive, as the act of this Corporation, reconcilements or account(s) when signed by any one or more of the above-designated officers(s) and/or other person(s), or his or their appointee(s).
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> "That the treasurer, president or secretary is hereby authorized for and on behalf of this Corporation to transact any and all such business with or through the Bank at any time(s) as may be deemed by the said officer(s) and/or other person(s) transacting the same to be advisable (EXCEPT borrowing of money, or the obtaining of any form of credit, from the Bank, either directly or indirectly, with or without security), and in reference to any of the business hereinbefore referred to, to make, enter into, execute and deliver to the Bank such documents as to any such officer(s) or other person(s) may seem to be necessary or desirable; any and all withdrawals of money and/or other transactions heretofore had in behalf of this Corporation with the Bank being ratified, confirmed and approved; also, that the Bank may rely upon the authority conferred by this entire resolution, until the receipt by it of a certified copy of a resolution of this Board revoking or modifying the same."

The above resolution was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee reported as follows:

"The word 'Administration' in the title of this bank account has been confusing inasmuch as this account also contains all the money contributed by the Children of the Church for later distribution to the boards and agencies.

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that the word 'Administration' be omitted from the title of the bank account and that the secretary of the Church send to the National City Bank, 42nd Street Branch, a certified copy of the Executive Board resolution to this effect."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 13. Executive Board Fund—Bank Account at Manufacturers Trust Company Provision for Authorized Signatures Other Than That of U.L.C.A. Treasurer

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendations:

"The Executive Board Minutes, April, 1949, cover the resolution adopted by the Executive Board establishing a bank account with the Manufacturers Trust Company, 55 Broad Street, New York City. Item 1 of the formal bank resolution indicates that the treasurer is the only person who is the authorized signatory on this account.

"The officers of the Church have considered various methods of providing for the operation of the bank account while the treasurer is absent on vacation for a period of about three weeks.

"The only method acceptable to the Manufacturers Trust Company is the cancellation of the previous resolution by the action of the Executive Board and the adoption of a new resolution indicating the signatories desired.

"The Finance Committee Recommends that the formal bank resolution adopted (by the Executive Board) at the April, 1949, meeting be rescinded and that the following formal bank resolution be adopted which indicates as signatories: treasurer or president or secretary."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

The necessary bank resolution is recorded on pages 356 to 359 of the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board.

"The Finance Committee also Recommends that the authorized signatures of the officers other than the treasurer be used only when the treasurer is not available for signing."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"The U.L.C.A. at present maintains two bank accounts with the Chase National Bank. The account maintained for the payment of Executive Board expenses, etc., is designated as the 'Special Account.' The other account is known as the 'Regular Account,' and this account is credited with receipts from synods for apportionment and specials and is debited with disbursements for distribution to the board and the purchase of securities.

"While these two accounts are distinct in character, they are carried with the same bank, and sometimes become confused. The Finance Committee deems it a matter of good public relations to place its funds in more than one institution when other purposes such as convenience of location, accounting facilities, etc., are not defeated.

"The Finance Committee Recommends the opening of an account in the name of 'The United Lutheran Church in America' in the Manufacturers Trust Co., 55 Broad Street, New York City, subject to withdrawal by the treasurer, into which account the treasurer shall be authorized to deposit such funds as, from time to time, are received by the treasurer for the Executive Board Fund. The present 'Special Account' in the Chase National Bank will be closed."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

The necessary bank resolution (Manufacturers Trust Company, New York City) is recorded on pages 214 and 215 of the April 1949 minutes of the Executive Board together with the record of the fact that the bank resolution was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 14. Interest on Invested Apportionment Funds

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee reported the following:

"The temporary investment of 1948 apportionment funds in U. S. Government securities and the loan of $30,000 to the Church House account will yield $4,465 to February 1, 1949 the approximate date for the disbursement of Part II and Double Apportionment Allocations. The portion of the interest earned allocable to each of the above divisions of the apportionment funds has been calculated to be 75 per cent applicable to Part II and 25 per cent to Double Apportionment.

"The Finance Committee Recommends that the $4,465 interest to be earned on apportionment receipts be divided as follows:

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| "Part II—75 per cent or | $3,349 |
| Double Apportionment—25 per cent or | 1,116 |
| | $4,465" |

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 15. Knubel-Miller Foundation—Financial Items

*(a) General Trust Funds, Undesignated Income Voted to Knubel-Miller Foundation Income Fund*

(1) In 1949

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Finance Committee Recommends that undesignated income from the General Trust Fund for the year ending June 30, 1949, estimated at about $450, be added to the income account of the Knubel-Miller Foundation Fund."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

(2) In 1950

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Finance Committee Recommends that undesignated income from the General Trust Funds for the year ended June 30, 1950 estimated at about $650.00 be added to the income account of the Knubel-Miller Foundation."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

**(b) Knubel-Miller Lectures Proposal to Raise Endowment Fund (See p. 581)*

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"At the 1948 convention, a written message was received from the Rev. W. H. Greever, proposed to this convention by the Rev. Wynne C. Boliek, suggesting the 'provision' of an endowment fund 'of at least $100,000,' the income from which is to be used for the permanent maintenance of the Knubel-Miller Lecture Series."

"In accordance with the spirit of Section X, Item 5 of the By-laws of the United Lutheran Church, the convention referred this proposal to the Executive Board for consideration and report.

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board report to the 1950 convention that it does not seem feasible for the United Lutheran Church to undertake the raising of the proposed large capital fund at this time."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 16. General Trust Funds—Principal Shrinkage Account

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"The investments of the various individual trusts were pooled into a common investment fund by board action (1944 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 88) and the securities written down to market value. The write-down to market value has been carried in a realized shrinkage account which, by subsequent credits from profits on sales of securities, will have a balance of $3,301.69.

"The Finance Committee requests the Executive Board to instruct the Legal Committee jointly with the Finance Committee to make a restudy of the effect on the value of the trust fund principal and the distribution of income resulting from carrying the shrinkage account indefinitely."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"A joint study by the Legal Committee and the Finance Committee of the continuance of the Realized Shrinkage Account on the General Church Treasury books was recommended by the Executive Board at the January, 1950 meeting (Minutes, p. 642).

"The following opinion of the Legal Committee concerning the treatment of the face value (principal) of individual trusts, the value of assets of the trusts, and the income of the pooled trusts is submitted herewith:

> "As of June 30, 1943 all general trust funds of U.L.C.A. were pooled on a plan that contains equivocal language that at first blush seems to mean that each trust was to enter the pool with a capital fund equal to the then value of the assets in that trust. In practice, the plan was interpreted to mean that each trust would continue to be carried at face value and have a share in the pool equal to its proportion of the total face value of all existing trusts, but that a realistic attitude would be taken of the actual market value of all assets in the pool.
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> "The pooling of assets was considered the fairest method of carrying trust funds and the policy became a general policy and not one simply for existing trusts. This has also been the practice and new trust funds as received have been added to the pool and have been carried at face value.
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> "The values, disadvantages, dangers and temptations in a trust pool are not now at issue. It is unfortunate that the pool was formed at a time when the value of the assets had declined below the face or cost value of the trust funds. Since we suspect that that was one reason for forming the pool, that is no longer a subject for argument. It does mean that every trust added to the pool immediately shrinks to its proportionate share of the increased pool assets.

> "Since the principal of none of the trusts ever becomes payable, we are concerned with the total present value of the assets only as a check upon our acumen in making investments or a warning that all is not well.
>
> "The value of the pooled assets and of every item in the pool is bound to fluctuate from time to time and no separate account should be kept of the increase or decrease in value between one date or the other. Instead, periodically—every June 30 or every second June 30—the total face value of trust estates should be compared with the total market value of pooled assets. If there is a fund representing merely increase in value of the pooled assets, it should be cancelled out on our book and if held separately it should be merged with the pooled assets.
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> "When a new trust is received it should be set upon the books at the then realized or realizable market value of its assets and those assets or their proceeds placed in the pool. Thereafter there will be no relation whatever between that trust and the income or principal of the assets it brought to the pool. It may be necessary in special instances of unappraisable assets—the Schmauk Wisner, Nebraska farm, for example, carried at $1.00, realized $14,000—to hold assets separately in suspension in fairness both to the trust and to the pool.
>
> "The problem of income is simple. In dealing with the beneficiaries of our trusts, we are not concerned with yield on the amount invested, which is the concern of the investing body. Periodically we should determine from the total income for that period, the average return in percentage on the *face* value of the total trust funds. For accounting purposes, the income in any one trust will of course be the face value of the trust by the average return. For facility of transmission, the trusts may be grouped by beneficiaries (as in 1944 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 89), reducing the number of mathematical operations. The factor of proportionate shares of income for part time participation in the pool is one for accountants. It could be simplified by some rule of thumb or by pooling only at the beginning of an interest period.
>
> "There is the possibility of taking bequests unrestricted as to principal and income and using them to refortify the depleted pool. It is not recommended because the gift would then completely disappear from future records. Furthermore, a pool will never remain at par and the practice of bringing it there discourages strict accountability for prudent investment.

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that in view of this opinion, the face value of the individual trusts which are included in the pooled trust funds continue to be reflected on the books as well as the principal shrinkage account."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 17. Allotments to Boards and Agencies—Part I 1950 Budget

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"Although the early months of 1950 have brought a gratifying increase in apportionment receipts (30.56 per cent in February and 21.53 per cent in March above the corresponding months in 1949), it is not certain that the U.L.C.A. treasury will continue to be able to disburse a full one-twelfth of Part I of the 1950 Church budget each month to the various boards and funds. The reasons for this condition are two:

(1) the substantially increased amounts called for by this year's budget, and

(2) the uneven flow of receipts month by month during the year.

"The actual experience of the U.L.C.A. treasury from the beginning of 1950 to date has been as follows:

### APPORTIONMENT INCOME

| | |
|---|---|
| January 1950 | $585,943.10* |
| February 1950 | 92,582.42 |
| March 1950 | 252,003.47 |
| Income on Investments | 261.09x |
| | $930,790.08 |

### DISBURSEMENTS TO BOARDS AND FUNDS

| | |
|---|---|
| January 1950 | $311,950.79z |
| February 1950 | 259,343.00z# |
| March 1950 | 311,943.00z |
| | $883,236.79 |
| Balance in Fund | 47,553.29 |

* See page 555 of the January 1950 Minutes (pp. 11-12, Officers' Report, January 1950 Executive Board Meeting).

x This income was earned prior to the February distribution of Part I apportionment funds. All investments in the Apportionment Fund were liquidated by that date.

z Remittances to the National Lutheran Council (see January 1950 Minutes, p. 621) have covered only the United Lutheran Church's monthly pro rata share of the regular current budget of the National Lutheran Council and of our Church's additional contribution to the Department on the Christian Approach to the Jewish People. During the first three months of 1950, $30,641.21 of the National Lutheran Council's total allotment in Part I of this year's budget has not yet been remitted to the Council in conformity with the action of this Board in January 1950, p. 621, and remains unpaid.

# $52,600 was withheld from the February remittance to the Board of American Missions with the consent of that Board to enable the Treasurer of the Church to make a complete distribution to other boards in that month.

"As can be seen at a glance, the apparent balance of $47,553.29 in the above table is more than offset by the arrearages due to the accounts of the Board of American Missions and the National Lutheran Council, totaling $83,241.21. The apportionment income of the United Lutheran Church in January, February, and March of this year fell $35,687.92 short of making possible a full distribution of one-fourth of the Part I budget during the first quarter of this year.

"To summarize the present and future financial situation resulting from these facts, here is an analysis of the Part I allotments due to boards and funds for the entire year 1950, together with the rate at which these grants would be payable in monthly installments:

| | *Monthly* | *Paid Jan.-Mar.* | *Withheld Jan.-Mar.* | *Allotments to be paid* | *Part I Total* |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Foreign Missions | $ 78,300 | $234,900 | $ — | $704,700 | $ 939,600 |
| American Missions | 105,200 | 263,000 | 52,600 | 946,800 | 1,262,400 |
| Social Missions | 6,900 | 20,700 | — | 62,100 | 82,800 |
| Deaconess Work | 9,175 | 27,525 | — | 82,575 | 110,100 |
| Pensions and Relief | 38,440 | 115,320 | — | 345,960 | 461,280 |
| Education | 15,500 | 46,500 | — | 139,500 | 186,000 |
| Parish and Church School | 7,720 | 23,160 | — | 69,480 | 92,640 |
| Exec. Board—Admin. | 7,330 | 21,990 | — | 65,970 | 87,960 |
| Comm., Com., and Approp. | 7,310 | 21,930 | — | 65,790 | 87,720 |
| Stewardship | 14,583 | 43,753 | — | 131,247 | 175,000 |
| Convention Fund* | 5,000 | 15,000 | — | 10,000 | *25,000 |
| Nat'l Lutheran Council | 26,700 | 49,458.79 | 30,641.21 | 240,300 | 320,400 |
| Total | $322,158 | $883,236.79 | $83,241.21 | $2,864,422 | $3,830,900 |

* Convention Fund payable in first five months of year (see Treasurer's Report to this meeting). After May, the monthly total will be reduced to $317,158 correspondingly.

"In order to provide an equitable plan for distributing apportionment receipts during the remainder of 1950, the Finance Committee RECOMMENDS:

"(*a*) That in any month in which the apportionment income of the United Lutheran Church plus any balance in the Apportionment Fund falls below the total sum needed for a complete distribution of one-twelfth of Part I of the 1950 budget, the apportionment funds available during that month be distributed to the various boards and funds according to the percentages that the allotment of each bears to a full monthly distribution under Part I of the budget, with the exception that not less than $9,000 shall be paid out of each month's receipts to the Board of American Missions to be applied against the present withholding from that Board in the amount of $52,600 until the complete withholding has been liquidated, and with the further exception that a minimum of $5,000 shall always be retained as a bank balance in the Apportionment Fund.

"(*b*) That in months in which the apportionment receipts of the United Lutheran Church exceed the amount required for a normal monthly distribution of Part I of the budget, all excess amounts remaining after such full monthly distribution be used to offset any arrearages from preceding months, with the understanding that all sums now withheld from the Board of American Missions up to a total of $52,600 shall be the first charge against such excess amounts, and with the further understanding that in distributing the remainder the officers shall be empowered to take into consideration any situations of especially acute financial embarrassment arising from the delayed receipt of Part I funds.

The recommendations were adopted.

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"The May Apportionment receipts did not permit a full one-twelfth allotment of Part I of the 1950 Budget to the boards and agencies. Following the Executive Board action at the April meeting (pp. 759-761), the treasurer made a pro-rata allotment amounting to 91.707 per cent of $322,158 after providing for the arrearage due to the Board of American Missions. The final amount remaining unpaid from the February allotment which was due the Board of American Missions amounted to $9,862.12. This amount was paid in May.

"The Apportionment receipts to June 20 of $341,764.56 have been sufficient to pay a full monthly allotment, plus the unpaid balance from May. The U.L.C.A. boards and agencies have now received a total of six-twelfths of their total Part I allotment. The National Lutheran Council has been paid a full six-twelfths of the U.L.C.A.'s pro rata share of their current budget plus six-twelfths of the total U.L.C.A. contribution toward the Christian Approach to the Jewish People; and the interest on $72,409.85, the U.L.C.A. share of the cost of the NLC building to date. The balance of 1950 Part I funds earmarked for NLC is being set aside to meet the U.L.C.A.'s proportion of the cost of the NLC building, as well as the U.L.C.A.'s contribution for student centers.

"The status of the 1950 Apportionment fund is as follows:

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|---|---|
| Part I Receipts: | |
| Dec. 21 to June 20 | $1,920,258.63 |
| Interest income | 261.09 |
| | $1,920,519.72 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **Disbursements:** | | |
| Jan. to June allotments to boards and agencies | $1,767,752.00 | |
| Jan. to June allotment to NLC: | | |
| Current budget | 92,927.98 | |
| CAJP core budget | 2,985.81 | |
| CAJP additional | 1,513.89 | |
| International Missionary Council | 1,000.00 | |
| Interest on building | 543.06 | |
| | | 1,866,722.74 |
| | | $ 53,796.98 |

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|---|---|
| Funds set aside for NLC: | |
| ½ of U.L.C.A. share of cost of building | $ 36,204.97 |
| Student centers | 17,592.01 |
| | $ 53,796.98 |

"Of the total receipts shown on the previous page, $34,582.77 was received in Canadian dollars which had to be converted to make the above payments. Approximately $18,000 (U. S.) had accumulated from exchange transactions, and the balance was advanced from the Part II Apportionment Fund to make total allotment payments in U. S. dollars."

This item was received as information.

### 18. Disbursement of Part I Funds to National Lutheran Council in 1950

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"Part I of the 1950 budget of the United Lutheran Church includes an allotment of $320,400 to the National Lutheran Council. Inasmuch as a variety of obligations and commitments to the National Lutheran Council is to be met through this grant, it is desirable for the Executive Board to instruct the treasurer as to the manner in which he is to disburse the National Lutheran Council's portion of the Part I receipts of the United Lutheran Church in 1950.

#### REGULAR CURRENT BUDGET

"(*a*) The estimated, proportionate share of the United Lutheran Church in the regular current budget of the National Lutheran Council for 1950 is $185,849.98. Our Church's share in the core budget of the Department on the Christian Approach to the Jewish People amounts to $5,973.81. This core budget appears as an appendix to the regular budget of the National Lutheran Council because not all of the participating bodies in the Council have entered into this activity.

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that $191,823.79, which is the sum of these two allotments, or any subsequently amended amounts for the same purposes, be disbursed to the National Lutheran Council in monthly installments out of the National Lutheran Council's portion of Part I of the 1950 budget of the United Lutheran Church."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

#### DEPARTMENT ON THE CHRISTIAN APPROACH TO THE JEWISH PEOPLE

"(*b*) Ever since the organization of the Department on the Christian Approach to the Jewish People, this activity of the National Lutheran Council has been maintained through twofold financial grants from the supporting churches:

"(1) regular, proportionate payments toward the core budget for administrative purposes which is referred to in (*a*) above

"(2) additional contributions for field projects.

"The $10,000 yearly allotment which has been provided by our Board of American Missions through our Church treasury in recent years has defrayed our share in the core budget and has made additional funds available for the salaries of Jewish missionaries in Baltimore and Pittsburgh who had previously been supported directly by our Church. Formal request has come from the Department on the Christian Approach to the Jewish People for a 'supplemental contribution of $6,000 over and above the core assignment of the U.L.C.A. for the coming year.' In justification of this asking, Executive Secretary Hoyer writes, 'as is well known to you, this represents less than is paid out by the department for salaries for personnel in areas where the United Lutheran Church has a preponderant interest and a history of participation and support in the Jewish mission enterprise. (Baltimore, Pittsburgh, and Philadelphia.)'

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that a supplemental contribution of $6,000 be made to the National Lutheran Council's Department on the Christian Approach to the Jewish People for its mission projects in 1950, with $1,458.11 of this being provided by the Reichwald legacy, and the remainder of the $6,000 coming from the National Lutheran Council's Part I allotment for 1950; and

"That the treasurer be instructed to disburse the sum of these amounts to the National Lutheran Council in monthly installments."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### NATIONAL LUTHERAN COUNCIL'S NEW HEADQUARTERS BUILDING

"(*c*) The United Lutheran Church's share in the cost of the new headquarters building as reported to this meeting of the Executive Board by the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests will be $72,409.85.

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that the treasurer be instructed to give this obligation the next highest priority in the disbursement of the National Lutheran Council's share in Part I of the United Lutheran Church's budget for 1950 and that he be authorized to transmit these funds to the National Lutheran Council at his discretion as they become available."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### STUDENT SERVICE CENTERS

"(*d*) The 1947 annual meeting of the National Lutheran Council called on the participating bodies to contribute '$500,000 to be placed at the disposal of the Student Service Commission for student service centers.' Payments were to be made in 1948, 1949, and 1950. An amount of $57,745.75 has been provided by the United Lutheran Church from Part II funds for 1949 upon recommendation of the joint meeting of the Executive Board and the Allocation Commission yesterday (January 24, 1950).

"Even at the time when the above action was taken in 1947, strong convictions were expressed that $500,000 would be utterly inadequate as a capital fund for the building and equipment of student centers. These convictions were reiterated at the 1948 annual meeting of the Council which thereupon expressed the judgment that at least an additional $500,000 should be added, (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes p. 205). The projected program of the then Student Service Commission had listed needs for special capital investment totaling $2,310,000.

"When the preliminary figures for the 1950 U.L.C.A. budget were compiled by the

Finance Committee, it was the intention of the Finance Committee that a portion of the $320,400 alloted to the National Lutheran Council from Part I of this year's budget should be used to supply additional funds for student centers.

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board record its intention of using all or a portion of the remainder of the National Lutheran Council's share in Part I of the 1950 budget of the United Lutheran Church for the purpose of providing additional funds for student centers subject to later action of this board."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 19. Advance from Part II of 1949 Apportionment Receipts for Office of Stewardship Secretary

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee reported as follows:

"To provide for the 1949 operation of the Stewardship Department, including the production of another film, it becomes necessary to appropriate $75,000 from Part II of the receipts under the 1949 budget.

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that $75,000 be advanced from Part II of the 1949 apportionment receipts, upon approval of the officers of the Church, and that the next Allocation Commission be asked to allocate these advances for that purpose."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 20. Reports of Allocation Commissions for 1948 and for 1949 Receipts

*(a) 1948 Receipts*

The Executive Board at its January 1949 meeting, received as information notice from the president of the following replacements on the Commission to consult with the Executive Board regarding 1948 receipts:

"Since the September 21, 1948, (first) meeting of the Allocation Commission to consult with the Executive Board regarding 1948 receipts, two of its members have become ineligible for further service on this year's commission. The Rev. Henry H. Bagger has been elected to the Executive Board and the Rev. Richard H. Gerberding is now the executive secretary of the Board of American Missions. The president has appointed the Rev. Earl S. Erb and the Rev. Paul E. Bishop to replace them."

With these replacements the Allocation Commission had the following membership:

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| Rev. Paul E. Bishop, D.D. | Nw | Thomas P. Hickman | Md |
| Rev. Peter Brath, D.D. | Pg | Rev. Harmon J. McGuire, D.D | Il |
| Rev. Voigt R. Cromer, D.D. | NC | Clarence P. Peterson | O |
| Rev. Earl S. Erb, D.D. | PM | Rev. Dwight F. Putman, D.D. | CP |
| Frederick G. Erb | PM | Rev. J. H. Reble, D.D. | Cn |
| Rev. Russell S. Gaenzle, D.D. | NY | Rev. Albert B. Schwertz, D.D. | Cf |
| Deems Haltiwanger | SC | Rev. Lorin J. Wolff | Mw |
| W. K. S. Hershey | CP | | |

In accordance with the procedure previously adopted (1946 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 66), and following careful preliminary hearings, conducted on December 29-30, 1948 by the Executive Board's Finance Committee with representatives of boards and agencies properly applying for allocations from 1948 Part II and double Apportionment receipts, the Executive Board and the Allocation Commission met in their second joint session on January 25, 1949. The Joint Meeting of the Executive Board and the Allocation

Commission presented the following report to the January 26-27, 1949 meeting of the Executive Board:

### REPORT OF JOINT MEETING OF EXECUTIVE BOARD AND ALLOCATION COMMISSION

"A joint meeting of the Executive Board and the Allocation Commission was held in the Lutheran Church House, New York, N. Y., on January 25, 1949. The following were present:

"REPRESENTING THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

"Rev. F. C. Fry
Rev. H. H. Bagger
Rev. O. F. Blackwelder
Rev. P. D. Brown
Rev. F. R. Knubel
Rev. J. J. Scherer
Dr. V. B. Sease
Rev. G. M. Smith
Dr. Henry Beisler
Dr. R. B. Wolff

"REPRESENTING THE ALLOCATION COMMISSION

(The appointment of this Commission, [including Mr. Deems Haltiwanger, who was absent], was reported by the president at the July 1948 meeting of the Executive Board.)

"Rev. P. E. Bishop
Rev. P. Brath
Rev. V. R. Cromer
Rev. E. S. Erb
Mr. F. G. Erb
Rev. R. S. Gaenzle
Mr. W. K. S. Hershey
Mr. T. P. Hickman
Rev. H. J. McGuire
Mr. C. P. Peterson
Rev. D. F. Putman
Rev. J. H. Reble
Rev. A. B. Schwertz
Rev. L. J. Wolf

"The following members were absent and excused: For the Executive Board: Rev. F. Eppling Reinartz; Hon. A. L. Bulwinkle; Hon. James F. Henninger; Mr. Otto K. Jensen; Hon. Charles B. Zimmerman. For the Allocation Commission: Mr. Deems Haltiwanger.

"Also present were: Dr. C. C. Stoughton, stewardship secretary; Mr. Carl A. Warden, comptroller; and Miss Mabel Groneberg.

"President Fry called the meeting to order at 10:00 A. M. The Rev. Peter Brath conducted the devotions.

"President Fry was elected chairman and the Rev. Henry H. Bagger was elected secretary of the joint meeting.

"The agenda adopted by the joint meeting provided for brief hearings of the boards and agencies; discussion and recommendations concerning the allocation of receipts under Part II of the 1948 budget; and the discussion and recommendations concerning the allocation of receipts on the double apportionment in addition to those amounts allocated at the September 21, 1948 joint meeting.

"The chairman outlined the procedure to be followed in the hearings, indicating that requests from double apportionment would be limited to the items in the schedule presented by the Finance Committee at the August 13-14, 1947 meeting of the Executive Board.

"At the close of the hearings, the joint meeting proceeded to the consideration of the requests.

"(1) Allocation of receipts under Part II of the 1948 Budget

"The final decisions of the joint meeting for the allocation of receipts under Part II of the 1948 budget were as follows:

"BOARD OF SOCIAL MISSIONS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| "1. To balance core budget | $ 12,813.00 | |
| 2. For Lutheran Commission on Evangelism | 15,000.00 | |
| 3. Special Grants in Aid: | | |
| (*a*) Montreal Immigrant Worker | 2,025.00 | |
| (*b*) California Synod (North) | 1,000.00 | |
| (c) Scholarship (Industrial Relations) | 200.00 | |
| (*d*) "A Message for the Day" (in Braille) | 200.00 | |
| | | $ 31,238.00 |

"NATIONAL LUTHERAN COUNCIL

| | |
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| "U.L.C.A. share in regular work of the Council, 1949 | $ 51,931.40 |

"COMMITTEE ON GERMAN INTERESTS

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| "Toward subsidizing *Kirchliches Monatsblatt* for the year 1949 | $ 1,800.00 |

"BOARD OF PENSIONS AND RELIEF

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| "1. For the Supplemental Benefit Fund of the Contributory Pension Plan | $ 25,000.00 | |
| 2. For special pension to minister pensioners @ $250 | 101,000.00 | |
| 3. For special pension to widow pensioners @ $75 | 50,400.00 | |
| Total | $176,400.00 | |
| *Less | 32,350.00 | |
| | | $144,050.00 |

*Less $12,350 out of 1948 operating surplus.
*Less $20,000 from surplus in the reserve fund.

"PARISH AND CHURCH SCHOOL BOARD

| | |
|---|---|
| "1. For Leadership Education—Enlistment Project | |
| 2. For prior service benefits in Lay Pension for Miss Locker | |
| | $ 5,000.00 |

"LUTHER LEAGUE

| | |
|---|---|
| "Toward 1949 L-O-Y-A-L program | $ 1,912.82 |

"BOARD OF DEACONESS WORK

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| "1. Philadelphia Motherhouse, deficit for 1948 | $ 11,892.54 | |
| 2. Toward 1948 deficit, Philadelphia School | 3,107.46 | |
| | | $ 15,000.00 |

"BOARD OF EDUCATION

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| "1. To assist certain seminaries and colleges in cost of living bonuses and for co-operation with the American Lutheran Church in Texas and in Canada | $ 10,000.00 | |
| 2. For additional staff secretary | 6,240.00 | |
| 3. To assist in republishing *Going to a Lutheran College* | 1,000.00 | |
| 4. For office secretarial service | 2,590.00 | |
| | | $ 19,830.00 |

"BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

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| "To complete 1949 budget as approved by board | $233,744.04 |

"BOARD OF AMERICAN MISSIONS

| | |
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| "For spiritual ministry to displaced persons | $ 10,000.00 |

### “EXECUTIVE BOARD

*“Administration*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| “1. Increased officers’ salary, residence, and pension expense | $ 2,444.00 | |
| 2. New office of Assistant to President | 8,320.00 | |
| 3. Increased salary and pension plan expense of layworkers, including addition of secretary to Assistant to President | 4,908.00 | |
| 4. Provision for possible loss on exchange—retransfer of Canadian Funds | 1,000.00 | |
| 5. Increased other operating expenses | 5,700.04 | |
| | | $ 22,372.04 |

*“U.L.C.A. Commissions, Committees and Appropriations*

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| “1. Increase of expenses over 1949 budget as adopted for commission and committee expense | $ 1,407.09 | |
| 2. Appropriations: | | |
| (*a*) Payment on Church House debt | 5,000.00 | |
| (*b*) Amortization of Church House mortgage | 10,000.00 | |
| (*c*) Extraordinary repairs—Church House | 10,000.00 | |
| (*d*) Department of Church Architecture | 6,300.00 | |
| (*e*) Publicity and News Service, 1949 | 1,318.74 | |
| (*f*) *The Lutheran* | 7,500.00 | |
| (*g*) Federal Council of Churches | 4,000.00 | |
| (*h*) World Council of Churches—1948-1949 | 19,000.00 | |
| (*i*) Lutheran World Federation—1948-1949 | 3,160.00 | |
| | $ 67,685.83 | |
| Less unappropriated balance | 1,490.13 | |
| | | $ 66,195.70 |

*“Biennial Convention Fund*

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| “Toward costs of 1950 convention | $ 7,500.00 | |
| Toward costs of 1952 convention | 17,500.00 | |
| | | $ 25,000.00 |

### “OFFICE OF STEWARDSHIP SECRETARY

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|---|---|---|
| “For 1948 picture ‘Salt of the Earth’ | $ 75,000.00 | |
| For 1949 budget based on expanded program | 35,000.00 | |
| | | $110,000.00 |
| “Total part II allocations | | $738,074.00 |

“Regarding the recommended amount for the Board of Pensions and Relief, it was moved and carried that, if the $20,000 deducted from the amount requested by the Board is not available as surplus in the reserve fund, then that fund may be decreased to meet this amount.

“The Joint Meeting of the Executive Board and the Allocation Commission RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board adopt the allocations as decided upon by the joint meeting, and that the sums be appropriated and paid by the U.L.C.A. treasurer from Part II of the U.L.C.A. receipts for the year 1948.”

The recommendation of the Joint Meeting was adopted by the Executive Board.

“(2) Allocation of Receipts Under Double Apportionment

"The final decisions of the joint meeting for the allocation of receipts under Double Apportionment were as follows:

| | | | *Allocated September 21, 1948* |
|---|---|---|---|
| "BOARD OF SOCIAL MISSIONS | | | |
| "Personal evangelism | | $ 23,518.00 | $ 6,000.00 |
| "NATIONAL LUTHERAN COUNCIL | | | |
| "University Student Centers | | $135,000.00 | $ 40,000.00 |
| "BOARD OF PENSIONS AND RELIEF | | | |
| "Pensions | $37,350.00 | | |
| Relief | 20,000.00 | $ 57,350.00 | $ 30,000.00 |
| "PARISH AND CHURCH SCHOOL BOARD | | | |
| "Sunday School Enlistment | | $ 14,800.00 | |
| "BOARD OF DEACONESS WORK | | | |
| "Collegiate training for deaconesses | | $ 10,000.00 | $ 6,000.00 |
| "BOARD OF EDUCATION | | | |
| "Teaching Fellowships | | $ 15,000.00 | |
| "KNUBEL-MILLER LECTURES | | | |
| "Toward expenses of 1949 Lecture Series | | $ 4,000.00 | |
| "AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY | | | |
| "For American Bible Society—1949 | | $ 15,000.00 | |
| "BOARD OF AMERICAN MISSIONS | | | |
| "For new fields and Church extension | | $268,945.55 | $120,000.00 |
| "BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS | | | |
| "For World Missions | | $ 84,981.16 | $ 80,220.35 |
| "Total | | $628,594.71 | $282,220.35 |

"The total amount available for allocation from Double Apportionment was $910,815.06.

"A. The Joint Meeting of the Executive Board and the Allocation Commission RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board adopt the allocations, totaling $628,594.71, as decided upon by the joint meeting, and that the sums be appropriated and paid by the U.L.C.A. treasurer from the receipts received on Double Apportionmnt."

The recommendation of the Joint Meeting was adopted by the Executive Board.

"B. The Board of Foreign Missions requested that the amount of $10,000.00 allocated to that Board for 'China-Shanghai Missionary Residence (part)' at the September 22, 1948 meeting of the Executive Board be re-allocated for 'Japan—One additional missionary home.' The radically changed conditions in China have made this request necessary. The joint meeting agreed to this re-allocation and now RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board grant this request."

The recommendation of the Joint Meeting was adopted by the Executive Board.

"(3) Request for Counsel Concerning Revision of Part I of 1949 Budget

"The counsel of the Allocation Commission was requested by the Executive Board concerning revision of Part I of the 1949 budget. The agencies concerned in the revision are the Board of American Missions, the Board of Education, and the Parish and Church School Board. The Allocation Commission recommends that the 1949 budget be revised in accordance with the request, namely, transfer $3,300.00 from the amount designated for the Parish and Church School Board for the proposed Department of Church Architecture; transfer $55,000.00 from the Board of Education for the Division of Student Service of the National Lutheran Council; and transfer $10,000.00 from the Board of American Missions for the National Lutheran Council's Department for the Christian Approach to the Jewish People. These transfers are to be made to the Executive Board budget."

The Executive Board received as information the counsel of the Allocation Commission.

(b) *Report Regarding Distribution of Sums Allocated to Boards from 1948 Double Apportionment Receipts*

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report:

(1) Board of Foreign Missions:

"When the representatives of the Board of Foreign Missions appeared before the joint meeting of the Allocation Commission and the Executive Board on January 25, 1949, they requested that some flexibility should be allowed to the Foreign Mission Board in dividing any grant to that Board from double apportionment funds. Although a schedule of definite projects had been submitted in general according to priorities of need, the spokesmen of the Foreign Mission Board indicated that a just balance in the final distribution could be achieved best if some latitude were allowed.

"The joint meeting agreed informally to this proposal. As a result of this understanding, the Board of Foreign Missions adopted on February 7-9, 1949 the following distribution of the total sum of $84,981.16, which was assigned to it from double apportionment funds. This is now reported to the Executive Board to complete the record.

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| "'Argentina—Additional amount for property purchases | $ 5,000 |
| British Guiana—New site and building for Bel Air and Fyrish parishes | 4,800 |
| British Guiana—Purchase of two automobiles | 4,100 |
| India—Completion Normal Training School, Rajahmundry | 4,950 |
| India—Freight and customs on motor cars | 5,000 |
| India—Land for two missionary cottages, Kodaikanal | 1,500 |
| Japan—Repair of Okubo Church, Tokyo | 10,000 |
| Japan—1 missionary residence | 10,000 |
| Japan—Land and buildings | 20,000 |
| Liberia—Linguistic typewriters and equipment | 1,500 |
| Liberia—Missionary bungalows, repairs and wells | 5,000 |
| Liberia—Zorzor Hospital completion | 6,000 |
| Audio-visual mass evangelism | 2,131 |
| India—X-ray, Chirala Hospital | 5,000 |
| | $84,981' " |

(2) Board of American Missions:

"The Board of American Missions (see its minutes for February 15-17, 1949, page 4585) similarly reports the distribution of the sum of $268,945.55, which was allocated to it from double apportionment.

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| "'General funds for new work, salaries, etc. | $ 40,000.00 |
| Parsonage purchase loan fund | 60,000.00 |
| Church Lot Loan Fund | 38,945.55 |
| Special Building Loan Fund | 30,000.00 |
| Permanent Loan Fund | 100,000.00 |
| | $268,945.55' " |

These items were received as information.

*(c) Executive Board Call to Synods Concerning 1949 Apportionment Receipts in Excess of $3,000,000*

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the following report and recommendation were presented by the Finance Committee:

"The Finance Committee Recommends the adoption of the following call to the synods:

"As all will recall, the 1948 convention was impressed with the extreme and almost painful urgency for expanding the funds available for church extension, foreign missions and other causes of the Church 1949. The convention was so convinced that the 1949 budget of $3,000,000 which had been adopted at Cleveland was seriously inadequate to provide even the minimum funds required that it issued the following call to the Church:

> " 'That, permitting the already adopted budget figure of $3,000,000 for 1949 to stand, the Church challenge itself to overpay the same at least to the extent of its 1948 achievement and to that end challenge each of its congregations to pay toward the apportionment at least as much as it did in 1948.'

"At a later session the emergency reasons for this effort in 1949 were made sharply specific:

> " 'Whereas the Church plans to raise in 1949 for U.L.C.A. apportionment an amount not less than the amount contributed in 1948, be it Resolved:
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> " 'That all funds received on U.L.C.A. apportionment for the year 1949 above the original 1949 budget total of $3,000,000 shall be allotted in equal shares to the Board of American Missions for its Church Extension Fund and the Board of Foreign Missions; and that the Executive Board and Allocation Commission, in allotting funds from Part II of the 1949 budget, shall give equitable consideration to all boards and agencies, to the extent of their demonstrated needs.'

"In loyalty to this action of the Church and impelled by the strong pressure of these genuine needs, the officers of the Church, the Stewardship Office, the Laymen's Movement for Stewardship and all other leaders of the United Lutheran Church have resolved to exert themselves more intensely than ever before to rise to this challenge.

"The Executive Board earnestly requests all synods to co-operate with vigor in this effort. In particular the Executive Board calls upon all synods in the name of the Church to devote all receipts for apportioned benevolence in excess of adopted budgets for 1949 to the purposes decided on by the Church as a whole at Philadelphia."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

*(d) 1949 Receipts*

(1) Allocation Commission for 1949 Receipts

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the president presented the following report:

"The following special Allocation Commission of fifteen members has been appointed to consult with the Executive Board about the distribution of the 1949 receipts in Part II of the U.L.C.A. budget:

"Walker A. Anderson
Leonard F. Ashford
Rev. Kenneth S. Ehrhart
Rev. E. Maclay Gearhart
Walter O. Helwig
Rev. William W. Klover
Rev. Gunnar Knudsen
Harold U. Landis

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| Rev. Homer C. Lindsay | Rev. Frank F. Secrist |
| R. Brown McAllister | Rev. Paul John Tritschler |
| Rev. Arthur M. Neumann | Rev. John L. Yost, Jr." |
| Rev. Rudolph G. Schulz | |

This item was received as information.

(2) Budget and Allocation Hearings

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"The procedure heretofore established in the U.L.C.A. has been for the Finance Committee to invite representatives of all boards and agencies which hope to derive support from Part II of the budget of the Church during the ensuing year to attend preliminary budget hearings during the month of December. The financial data and other information supplied by the boards at these preliminary hearings are carefully studied by the Finance Committee in preparing its recommendations to the joint meeting of the Executive Board and the Allocation Commission held the following month.

"The Finance Committee, therefore RECOMMENDS that it be instructed to arrange, in conjunction with the officers of the Church, for a meeting with the representatives of all boards and agencies on December 15-16, 1949."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

(3) Date of Joint Meeting of Executive Board and Allocation Commission

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report:

"Both the Executive Board and the Allocation Commission will appreciate it if we can fix today the date for the joint meeting of the Executive Board and the Allocation Commission.

"The officers RECOMMEND that Tuesday, January 24, 1950, at 9:30 A. M. in the Church House, New York City, be set for the joint meeting of the Executive Board and the Allocation Commission."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

(4) Adjustment of December 20, 1949 to January 20, 1950 Apportionment Receipts

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report:

"At the September 1948 meeting of the U.L.C.A. Executive Board, (Minutes, p. 685, item 3) this Board adopted the following recommendation of the Finance Committee:

> " 'The committee further recommends that, if receipts for the month ending January 20, 1949 exceed these for the month which ended January 20, 1948, ($585,943.10) such excess be also added to double apportionment receipts for the current year (1948). This procedure will give full credit for the double apportionment effort in the current year.'

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| "The apportionment receipts for month ending January 20, 1949 were | $946,275.31 |
| "The apportionment receipts for month ending January 20, 1948 were | 585,943.10 |
| "Applied to 1948 Part I and Part II apportionment receipts in accordance with the recommendation quoted above | $360,332.21 |

"The 1948 convention of the Church, impressed by the need of funds for church extension, foreign missions and other causes of the Church in 1949, and convinced that the 1949 budget of $3,000,000 adopted by the 1946 convention was seriously inadequate to provide even the minimum funds required, issued the following call to the Church: RESOLVED

> " 'That, permitting the already adopted budget figure of $3,000,000 for 1949 to stand, the Church challenge itself to overpay the same at least to the extent of its 1948 achievement and to that end challenge each of its congregations to pay toward the apportionment at least as much as it did in 1948.'

"In view of this resolution it is the judgment of the officers that the same reasoning which convinced the Executive Board that all apportionment receipts of the month ending January 20, 1949 in excess of the apportionment receipts of the corresponding month of the preceding year should be considered a part of 1948 double apportionment receipts, in good logic applies equally to the computation of 1949 apportionment receipts. Inasmuch as this decision had to be made before the joint meeting of the Executive Board and the Allocation Commission to give full information to that joint meeting to guide it in recommending a right division of allocable funds, the officers therefore were forced to decide this issue in advance of this Executive Board meeting. The officers' decision was to retain in the apportionment fund out of the apportionment receipts of the month which ended with January 20, 1950 an amount equal to the receipts of the month which ended with January 20, 1948 ($585,943.10) and to apply all excess apportionment receipts to the special apportionment effort in the year 1949.

"The actual figures proved to be as follows:

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| "The apportionment receipts for the month ending January 20, 1950 were | $635,692.42 |
| "The apportionment receipts for the month ending January 20, 1948 were | 585,943.10 |
| "Gain for the month ending January 20, 1950 as the result of the 1949 emphasis | $ 49,749.32 |

"The officers report this action as information but would appreciate its ratification by the Executive Board."

This item was received as information.

The Executive Board then took the following further action "Moved and carried that the Executive Board approve this action of the officers."

(5) Joint Meeting of Executive Board and Allocation Commission

In accordance with the procedure previously adopted (1946 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 66) and following full preliminary hearings, conducted by the Executive Board's Finance Committee on December 15-16, 1949 with representatives of boards and agencies properly applying for allocations from 1949 Part II Apportionment receipts, the Executive Board and the Allocation Commission met in joint session on January 24, 1950. The Joint Meeting of the Executive Board and the Allocation Commission presented the following report to the January 25-26, 1950 meeting of the Executive Board:

### REPORT OF JOINT MEETING OF EXECUTIVE BOARD AND ALLOCATION COMMISSION

"A joint meeting of the Executive Board and the Allocation Commission was held in the Lutheran Church House, New York, New York, January 24, 1950. The following were present:

### "REPRESENTING THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

"Rev. Franklin Clark Fry
Rev. F. Eppling Reinartz
Rev. Henry H. Bagger
Rev. Oscar F. Blackwelder
Rev. P. D. Brown
Rev. F. R. Knubel
Rev. J. J. Scherer, Jr.
Rev. G. Morris Smith
Henry Beisler
Otto K. Jensen
Erwin H. List
Virgil B. Sease
Robbin B. Wolf

### "REPRESENTING THE ALLOCATION COMMISSION

"Mr. Leonard F. Ashford
Rev. Kenneth Ehrhart
Rev. E. Maclay Gearhart
Mr. Walter O. Helwig
Rev. William W. Klover
Rev. Gunnar Knudsen
Mr. Harold U. Landis
Rev. Homer C. Lindsay
Mr. R. Brown McAllister
Rev. Arthur M. Neumann
Rev. Rudolph G. Schulz
Rev. Frank F. Secrist
Rev. Paul John Tritschler
Rev. John L. Yost, Jr."

(The appointment of the above commission [including Mr. Walker Anderson who was absent] was reported to the Executive Board by the president at the October 1949 meeting.)

"Also present were Mr. Henry Endress, Secretary for Stewardship, Mr. Carl A. Warden, Comptroller, Mr. John R. Weaver, Associate Secretary for Stewardship, and the Rev. George F. Harkins, Assistant to the President.

"Absent with excuse were Mr. Walker A. Anderson, for the Allocation Commission, the Hon. James F. Henninger, the Hon. Charles B. Zimmerman, for the Executive Board.

"President Fry called the meeting to order at 10:00 A. M. The Rev. Gunnar Knudsen conducted the devotions.

"President Fry was elected chairman and Secretary Reinartz was elected secretary of the Joint Meeting.

"The agenda adopted by the Joint Meeting provided for brief hearings of the boards and agencies; discussion and recommendations concerning the allocation on receipts under Part II of the 1949 budget.

"The chairman introduced the members of the Joint Meeting, and then outlined the procedure to be followed in the hearings.

"At the close of the hearings, the meeting proceeded to the consideration of the requests.

### "ALLOCATION OF RECEIPTS UNDER PART II OF THE 1949 BUDGET

"The final decisions of the Joint Meeting for the allocation of receipts under Part II of the 1949 budget were as follows:

### "EXECUTIVE BOARD

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| "1. Church House debt and interest | $25,250.00 | |
| *Less | 16,000.00 | |
| | | 9,250.00 |
| *1949 mortgage payment unexpended | 10,000.00 | |
| *1949 interest on mortgage | 6,000.00 | |
| | 16,000.00 | |

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| 2. For National Council of the Churches of Christ in America—sending 24 representatives of the U.L.C.A. to 1950 Cleveland conference | | 4,080.00 | |
| 3. For support of cast of 1950-51 Knubel-Miller lectures | | 3,700.00 | |
| 4. For loss of maintenance contribution for space to be vacated by National Lutheran Council | | 3,780.00 | |
| 5. For support of U.L.C.A. radio program, especially ‘Sunday Vespers’ | | 5,000.00 | |
| 6. Federal Council of Churches: | | | |
| To complete U.L.C.A. contributions toward budget amount of $10,000 | 6,000.00 | | |
| To provide for additional 1950 contributions to equal $10,000 | 2,000.00 | | |
| | | 8,000.00 | |
| 7. World Council of Churches—for U.L.C.A. share of previously budgeted amount | | 4,941.51 | |
| | | 38,751.51 | |
| *Less | | 3,780.00 | |
| | | | 34,971.51 |
| *Unexpended items from 1948, Part II | 1,839.08 | | |
| *Amount included in $3,500 transfer from Administrative expense fund | 1,940.92 | | |
| 8. Biennial Convention Fund: | | | |
| 1950— | 5,000.00 | | |
| **1952— | 17,500.00 | | |
| | | | 22,500.00 |

**This is in accordance with 1948 convention action, (Minutes, p. 767)

### “NATIONAL LUTHERAN COUNCIL

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| “For student centers | 71,495.75 | |
| *Less | 13,750.00 | |
| | 57,745.75 | |
| | | 57,745.75 |

*Less monies received from synods

### “STEWARDSHIP

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| “For 1949 motion picture | 60,000.00 |

### “BOARD OF SOCIAL MISSIONS

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| “1. For the completion of the Evangelism Program | $ 15,492.43 | |
| 2. For scholarship grants | 5,600.00 | |
| | | $ 21,092.43 |

### “BOARD OF PENSIONS AND RELIEF

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| “1. For the Supplemental Benefit Fund of the Contributory Pension Plan (1946 convention Minutes, p. 67) | | 25,000.00 |
| 2. For the Special Pension and Annual Grant of $300.00 to each of the 414 Ministers and Missionaries on the pension roll | $124,200.00 | |
| 3. For the Special Pension of $100.00 to each of the 672 Widows on the pension roll | 67,200.00 | |
| Total | 191,400.00 | |
| *Less | 61,400.00 | |
| | | 130,000.00 |

"*Less 1,500 to be paid from Supplemental Benefit Fund of the Contributory Pension
*Less 59,900 to be paid out of General Surplus

"PARISH AND CHURCH SCHOOL BOARD

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| "1. To provide for a Writers' Workshop | $ 2,500.00 | |
| 2. To provide for an Institute for teachers in elementary and secondary public and private schools | 600.00 | |
| 3. Lay Pension (prior service benefits—Miss Locker, balance of 4/5 of total) | 2,291.39 | |
| | | 5,391.39 |

"BOARD OF DEACONESS WORK

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| "Toward deficit, Philadelphia Motherhouse, 1949 and deficit, Philadelphia School, 1949 | 12,000.00 |

"COMMITTEE ON GERMAN INTERESTS

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| "Toward subsidizing *Kirchliches Monatsblatt* for the year 1950 | 1,500.00 |

"LUTHER LEAGUE—L-O-Y-A-L

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| "Toward 1950 L-O-Y-A-L program | $ 2,979.49 |

"BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

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| "For capital expenditures and improvements in the various Foreign Mission fields | 125,000.00 |

"BOARD OF AMERICAN MISSIONS

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| "1. For spiritual ministry to displaced persons | $ 43,000.00 | |
| 2. For salary and parsonage for 8 new fields now approved for occupancy | 80,000.00 | |
| 3. For Church Extension | 163,665.54 | |
| | | 286,665.54 |

"AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

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| "For American Bible Society—1950 | 5,000.00 |
| | $789,846.11 |

"1949 APPORTIONMENT RECEIPTS IN EXCESS OF $3,000,000

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| "Board of Foreign Missions | $ 81,338.45 |
| "Board of Foreign Missions | $ 81,388.45 |
| | $162,776.91 |

Shares of Board of Foreign Missions and Board of American Missions in surplus of 1949 apportionment receipts beyond $3,000,000 as directed by the action of the Church (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 767)"

Moved and carried that the schedule under Column I* be adopted and that the Executive Board be counselled to divide Part II of the budget in this fashion. ADOPTED.

* Refers to items given highest priority by Joint Meeting of Executive Board and Allocation Commission.

After a careful review of this request the Executive Board took the following actions:

"Moved and carried that the Executive Board concur in the recommendation of the Joint Allocation meeting making available, in 1950, the $6,300 granted in 1949 for the purpose of starting the Department of Church Architecture, and in the judgment of the Joint Allocation meeting that the Executive Board is justified in retaining the balance available on January 1, 1950 in its Administration Account in the amount of $10,295.93."

"Moved and carried that the Executive Board in accordance with the recommendation of the Joint Allocation meeting, adopt the allocations, totaling $789,846.11, as listed on pages 612-614, and the divisions of the 1949 apportionment receipts in excess of $3,000,000 as shown on page 614, and that the sums be appropriated and paid by the U.L.C.A. treasurer from the 1949 receipts under Part II of the U.L.C.A. budget, and the receipts in excess of $3,000,000."

### (e) *Report Regarding Distribution of Sum Allocated to Board of Foreign Missions from Part II 1949 Budget*

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report:

"It will be recalled that tacit permission was granted to the Board of Foreign Missions to distribute according to its own discretion the funds allocated to it from Part II of the 1949 budget. This procedure was agreed to with the understanding that a full report would be made to the Executive Board. Such a full accounting appears on pages 68-69 of the minutes of the Board of Foreign Missions, February 6-8, 1950 as follows:

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| "'1. Included in our 1950 budget | $ 38,000.00 |
| "'2. Received from U.L.C.A. 1949 budget half of amount over $3,000,000 as per convention action | 81,388.45 |
| "'3. Allocated to the Board of Foreign Missions by the Allocation Commission from Part II 1949 U.L.C.A. budget | 125,000.00 |
| "'4. Surplus of Board of Foreign Missions, as of December 31, 1949 | 29,543.96 |
| | $273,932.41 |

"'Voted that the Board authorize the following list of non-recurring special items, totalling $273,932.41, and the use of funds received or allocated by us, for these purposes:

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| "'Argentina | | | |
| | Repayment of Mortgages | $ 3,000 | |
| | Fund for the purchase of lots and building of chapels and parsonages | 10,000 | |
| | Total Argentina Field | | $ 13,000.00 |
| "'British Guiana | | | |
| | Completion of Skeldon Manse | $ 1,760 | |
| | One Chapel | 2,550 | |
| | Four Catechists' Houses | 7,500 | |
| | Berbice West Coast Manse | 7,000 | |
| | Total British Guiana Field | | 18,810.00 |
| "'China | | | |
| | Liuchow Rural Institute, Capital Expenditure | | 5,000.00 |
| "'India | | | |
| | Completion of Luthergiri Development | $ 11,500 | |
| | Missionary Bungalow, Kodaikanal | 9,000 | |
| | Classrooms, Rajamundry Training School | 2,250 | |
| | Visrantipuram Administration Building | 20,000 | |
| | Visrantipuram, 2 sites | 1,000 | |
| | Bhimavaram Satram | 1,550 | |
| | Completion Chirala Hospital Electrification | 3,250 | |
| | Completion Andhra College Science Bldg. | 3,250 | |
| | Freight and customs on motor cars | 3,250 | |
| | Extension Nurses' Home, Kugler Hosp. Gunt. | 10,000 | |
| | Fifteen village chapels @ $300 | 4,500 | |
| | Purchase of village sites | 1,000 | |
| | Total India Field | | 70,550.00 |

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| " 'Japan | | | |
| | Three missionary bungalows and lots | $30,000 | |
| | Kyushu Gakuin, 2 additional classrooms | 8,000 | |
| | New churches and parsonages | 38,000 | |
| | Completion Tokyo Seminary repairs | 6,500 | |
| | Kyushu Jo Gakuin, repairs to wall | 2,500 | |
| | Completion, rebuilding Widows' Home, Tokyo | 1,500 | |
| | Total Japan Field | | 86,500.00 |
| " 'Liberia | | | |
| | Completion Monrovia Mission House | $ 7,000 | |
| | Zorzor items | 25,000 | |
| | Two missionary residences | 15,000 | |
| | Chapels, workers' residences, dormitories | 10,000 | |
| | Total Liberia Field | | 57,000.00 |
| " 'All Fields | | | |
| | Replacement of motor cars | | 10,572.41 |
| " 'Home Base | | | |
| | Visual-Aids equipment, including production of new film | | 12,500.00 |
| | Total | | $273,932.41' " |

This report was received as information.

### 21. U.L.C.A. Extra Contribution to NLC Department for the Christian Approach to the Jewish People

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"At the recommendation of the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests to this meeting of the Executive Board (1950 Report of the Commission to the National Lutheran Council, Executive Board Minutes Item 26, p. 749) the Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board appropriate the sum of $1,000 from the National Lutheran Council's allotment in Part I of the 1950 budget as an extra contribution from the United Lutheran Church to the National Lutheran Council's Department for the Christian Approach to the Jewish People for transmission to the International Missionary Council's Commission on the Christian Approach to the Jews as a gift toward the support of the associate director of that Commission for the year 1950, this sum to be forwarded during the earliest month in which there is a sufficient remaining balance in funds being held for the purposes of the National Lutheran Council after all prior obligations have been met."

The recommendation was adopted.

(For related recommendation see VI, B, ii, 7, p. 216 of this report.)

### 22. Luther League Financial Items

*(a) Request of Luther League of America for Solicitation of Church Councils for "Faith in Youth" Offering*

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee requested as follows:

"On February 28, 1947, the executive secretary of the Luther League of America wrote a letter to the Conference of Synodical Presidents asking that the churchwide Luther League should be allowed to encourage the president of every local league to approach his church council for a 'gift from $5.00 to $50.00 (or more) to the

Luther League of America as the congregation's Faith in Youth Offering' The letter continued, 'This gift would be presented by a member of the church council in the service sponsored by the Luther League as a part of the offering on Youth Sunday. The entire offering would be forwarded directly to the Luther League of America.'

"Two reasons were given for this request. Secretary Frease said that the Luther League of America was 'face to face with a financial crisis,' (1) because of an accumulated deficit due to the shrinkage in Luther League membership during the war and (2) because the league had just shifted from the dues system to an apportionment basis, and financial help was needed until the new apportionment plan was firmly established.

"The Conference of Synodical Presidents approved this plan and recommended its adoption to the Executive Board. In April 1947, the Executive Board extended the desired privilege to the Luther League 'in connection with the celebration of Youth Sunday in 1947.' The Luther League of America misunderstood the limitation of this privilege to the single year of 1947 and continued the practice for a second year, in 1948.

"At its meeting on October 15-16, 1948, the Executive Committee of the Luther League voted as follows: 'That we request the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church to accord the right to the Luther League of America to recommend to local Luther Leagues that they solicit a 'Faith in Youth Offering' from the church councils of their congregations for the Luther League of America, in connection with the celebration of Youth Sunday.' In effect, this action asks for the indefinite continuance of the privilege which was originally granted for 1947 alone.

"The Finance Committee feels that it is undesirable for the United Lutheran Church to approve added special appeals to congregations, especially during these years of intensified effort to increase the Church's giving to budget benevolences. Since the reasons originally given for the privilege in 1947 are not equally true now, this committee RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board inform the Luther League that this board feels that it is unwise for an indirect appeal of this type to church councils to be continued."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### *(b) Future Subsidy for Luther League of America*

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"An inquiry has been received from the treasurer of the Luther League of America as to the amount of subsidy which the Luther League can expect from the Executive Board Treasury in each of the years 1950 and 1951.

"During the single biennium 1948 and 1949, a definite annual subsidy for the Luther League was specified in the budget of the United Lutheran Church. In adopting the budget for 1950-1951, the 1948 convention returned to the previous long-continued custom of leaving the amount of such subsidy to be determined by the Executive Board.

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that the Luther League of America be invited to submit to this committee in December, 1949 and again in December, 1950 a full financial statement for the year just closing and a detailed, projected budget of anticipated receipts and disbursements for the coming year, with the understanding that the Executive Board will act at its January meeting in each of the next two years on the amount of subsidy to be granted to the Luther League of America in that year."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report:

"The following letter and budget were received by the Chairman of the Finance Committee from the Luther League of America. It is submitted for information:

"'June 15, 1950

"'Dr. Henry Beisler
231 Madison Ave.
New York 16, N.Y.

"'Dear Dr. Beisler:

"'Inclosed is the Luther League budget study for the years 1951 and 1952. It is submitted for consideration by the Finance Committee at its session on June 16. If any item is not clear, I shall be glad to receive a telephone call at the Luther League office or to make a hurried trip to New York.

"'You will note that receipts expected through the youth of the Church were itemized first. Following are listed those disbursements which can be met from the receipts. Essential parts of the League program had to be dropped from the list of items for which we shall have no funds.

"'Our young people are already supporting their work well. Since 1946, the amount contributed annually by the Leaguers has more than tripled. It has risen from about $5,000 to about $18,000.

"'Despite this increase, unless we receive aid from some other source, our work will be drastically crippled.

"'Without the travel subsidy, our staff will be pretty well chained to their desks in Philadelphia, and important field contacts cannot be maintained.

"'Without the publications subsidy, our topics manuals will have to be cut severely, even beyond the present proposal that the *Senior Topics Quarterly* and *The Luther League Review* be combined into one publication.

"'Without summer field workers and regional conferences, the program of leadership training will have to be forgotten.

"'Without literature subsidy, our promotional and educational pamphlets will be cut to a "pay-as-you-go" basis.

"'The evangelism emphasis subsidy is for the continuation of the program that has generally been known as "Operation Spiritual" during the last year.'

"The budget study indicates what we believe to be absolutely basic in our our service program to the youth of the Church. Any grants received will be used for the strengthening of the Church of tomorrow.

"'Sincerely,
"'John Mangum, Assoc. Secy.'

"LUTHER LEAGUE BUDGET STUDY FOR 1951 AND 1952

| | *Budget 1950* | *Proposed Budgets 1951* | *1952* |
|---|---|---|---|
| "'*Receipts* | | | |
| Appropriation from U.L.C.A. | $ 7,000.00 | $ | $ |
| Apportionment from Luther Leagues | 18,000.00 | 19,000.00 | 19,000.00 |
| Youth Sunday Offerings | 11,000.00 | 12,000.00 | 12,000.00 |
| Special Gifts, Alumni | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 |
| Literature | 900.00 | 1,200.00 | 1,200.00 |
| Travel refunds | 500.00 | 800.00 | 800.00 |
| Interest on Savings Bonds | 600.00 | 200.00 | 200.00 |
| | $39,000.00 | $34,200.00 | $34,200.00 |

" '*Disbursements*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Salaries | $18,250.00 | $17,850.00 | $17,850.00 |
| Office | 4,800.00 | 5,000.00 | 5,000.00 |
| Housing and utilities | 2,700.00 | 2,700.00 | 2,700.00 |
| Travel | 6,400.00 | 3,500.00 | 3,500.00 |
| "Operation Spiritual" | 2,500.00 | | |
| Visual Aids | 150.00 | | |
| Pension | 750.00 | 800.00 | 800.00 |
| Hospitalization | 250.00 | 300.00 | 300.00 |
| Miscellaneous | 300.00 | 400.00 | 400.00 |
| Convention Fund | | 600.00 | 600.00 |
| Literature | 2,000.00 | | |
| India Secretary | 400.00 | 400.00 | 400.00 |
| Youth Sunday | 2,500.00 | 2,500.00 | 2,500.00 |
| Publication subsidy | 4,500.00 | | |
| Audit | 200.00 | 300.00 | 200.00 |
| Moving expenses | 600.00 | | |
| Regional conferences | 350.00 | | |
| Presidents' conference | 1,300.00 | 650.00 | 650.00 |
| Replacement of office equipment | 500.00 | | |
| | $48,450.00 | $35,000.00 | $34,900.00 |

" 'Receipts listed under 1951 and 1952 include all monies the Luther League can expect to receive through its own organization. Listed under disbursements are those items in the program that are carried on through the use of these monies.

" 'Listed below are parts of the Luther League program that are *vital* if the auxiliary is to serve the youth of the Church in any adequate manner. They however, will have to be curtailed unless receipts from other sources may be obtained. For instance, without help from the Church, our already limited number of field contacts will necessarily be cut almost in half. Grants will help us strengthen the Church of the future.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Travel | $ 3,500.00 | $ 3,500.00 |
| Publications subsidy | 4,500.00 | 4,000.00 |
| Regional conferences and summer field workers | 3,000.00 | 3,500.00 |
| Literature | 2,000.00 | 2,000.00 |
| Replacement of office equipment | 400.00 | 400.00 |
| Evangelism emphasis | 2,500.00 | 2,500.00 |
| Visual aids | 500.00 | 500.00 |
| | $16,400.00 | $16,400.00' " |

This item was received as information.

*(c) Luther League Missionary Project, 1949-1951*

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Luther League of America, at its biennial convention in Roanoke, Virginia, Thursday, August 18, 1949, unanimously adopted the following recommendation:

> " 'That the Luther League of America adopt the project submitted by the Board of American Missions to assist in the erection of a church in Hawaii.
>
> " 'That we endeavor to raise $25,000 in the next biennium in support of this project.'

"An action of the Board of American Missions, at its meeting on June 22, 1949 is directly related to this action of the Luther League of America:

> " 'In view of the inquiry from the Luther League of America concerning a mission project with the Board of American Missions for the biennium 1949-51, we recommend the erection of a church in Hawaii, and that the

> Board agree to hold such funds as received from the Luther League of America for this purpose, and when used to apply the same toward the cost of the church as a grant; the grant to be made according to the usual procedure of its division of church extension. Adopted.'

"We heartily RECOMMEND the approval by the Executive Board of the action adopted by the Luther League of America."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

*(d) Residence for Executive Secretary of Luther League of America*

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"As the result of a 'mail vote' by the members of the Executive Committee of the Luther League of America, the following action was unanimously approved:

> " '1. That a residence in the Philadelphia area be purchased to be used as a parsonage for the executive secretary of the Luther League of America;
>
> " '2. That the president be authorized to appoint a committee to investigate the possibilities of the purchase of a house to be used by the executive secretary;
>
> " '3. That the Administrative Committee be given power to act in the event a suitable residence is found for this purpose;
>
> " '4. That the Luther League of America request the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America to accept the title of such property in the name of The United Lutheran Church in America.
>
> " 'In consideration of the foregoing statements, the Luther League of America would make the down payment for such a house out of the balance in the Anniversary Fund, approximately $7,000. The interest and amortization of the mortgage would be taken care of out of the current operating budget of the Luther League of America for the next few years or until the property is paid for.
>
> " 'The Prudential Insurance Company has examined this project and would approve a loan which would be taken care of at 4 per cent interest, which would make payments approximately $74.00 monthly over a 15-year period.' "

Inasmuch as the Executive Board is asked to hold title to the property in the name of the United Lutheran Church, action by the Executive Board would be required.

"The Finance Committee refers this item to the Executive Board without recommendation."

"In response to this statement, the Executive Board voted as follows:

"The Executive Board is aware of the difficult problem which the Luther League of America faces in providing housing for its executive secretary, but this board is unwilling at this time to assume the responsibilities involved in holding such property."

### 23. U.L.C.A. Participation in a General Expense Fund of Joint Commission on the Liturgy

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Officers presented the following report:

"The officers were informed by the Rev. Luther D. Reed, D.D., on April 29, 1949, that a 'general expense fund' for the Joint Commission on the Liturgy has been established, and that the Rev. Edward Trail Horn, III, D.D., 19 W. Queen Lane, Philadelphia 44, Pa., was appointed treasurer of the Commission.

"Contributions will be made by the American Lutheran Church, 18 per cent; the Augustana Lutheran Church, 14 per cent; the Evangelical Lutheran Church, 18 per cent; and the United Lutheran Church, 50 per cent. This fund will care for such items as postage, expressage, mimeographing, and telephone. (It will *not* cover the travel expenses of commissioners.) The purpose of the fund is to distribute this general expense proportionately.

"The officers have authorized a first appropriation to this fund in the amount of $150. It was sent to Treasurer Horn on May 27, 1949."

The report was received as information.

### 24. World Council of Churches Financial Items

*(a) Financial Support of the Amsterdam Assembly of the World Council of Churches*

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Executive Board, at its meeting in April 1948 approved an appropriation of $2,000 from the funds in the 'Periodic Meetings Account,' as the U.L.C.A. contribution to the expenses of the Amsterdam Assembly of the World Council of Churches, with the understanding that reimbursement of the amount would be requested at the next meeting of the Allocation Commission.

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that this appropriation be made a permanent charge to the 'Periodic Meetings Account' and that no request be made for reimbursement."

The recommendation was adopted.

*(b) World Council of Churches Contribution in Behalf of U.L.C.A.'s Canadian Membership*

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"Eighty per cent of the church contributions to the budget of the World Council of Churches in 1949 is expected from the churches of the United States. After the United Lutheran Church's full share in this allocation has been met, a balance of $300 will remain in our available funds for World Council purposes.

"Since a portion of our Church's membership resides in Canada, it seems fair that the United Lutheran Church should contribute this amount toward the obligations assumed by the Canadian churches toward the World Council budget in 1949. The total requested from Canada during this year is $10,000.

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that, subject to the approval of the presidents of the six constituent synods of the United Lutheran Church having congregations in Canada, the officers of the Church be empowered to appropriate the above-mentioned sum of $300 as a gift to the World Council of Churches, forwarding the same through the Canadian Council of Churches."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Officers presented the following report:

"The approval required by the above recommendation, having been unanimously given in a mail vote by the presidents of the six synods referred to in this action, the officers made this appropriation."

This item was received as information.

*(c) World Council Budget—1950*

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"The January 1949 Minutes of the Executive Board describe in detail the method used to compute the United Lutheran Church's indicated share of the total sum of $240,000 which was expected by the World Council of Churches in 1949 from its member churches in the U.S.A. The United Lutheran Church's share amounted to $14,641.51.

"Although the budget of the World Council of Churches in 1950 is set at a somewhat higher figure than in 1949, the allocation to the U.S.A. Member Churches remains unchanged. It will again be $240,000. This decision is in accordance with an agreement at the Amsterdam Assembly that strong efforts will be made to decrease the proportion of this budget assigned to the churches of the United States in future years.

"The Executive Committee of the Conference of U.S.A. Member Churches of the World Council of Churches at its meeting on September 21, 1949 was of the opinion that it would be cumbersome and undesirable to recalculate the whole schedule of requests from the member churches for 1950 in order to reflect the minor changes in statistics which have occurred during a single year. It therefore voted 'that the requested quotas from the member churches in the United States in support of the budget of the World Council of Churches be the same in 1950 as in 1949.'

"$300 has been set aside from Part II funds as a contribution toward the Canadian share of the 1950 budget of the World Council of Churches in behalf of our members in Canada. This gift also duplicates a payment made in 1949."

This item was received as information.

### 25. Protestant Radio Commission, Gifts to

*(a) in 1949*

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"The president of the Church has proposed that the U.L.C.A. make a gift to the Protestant Radio Commission in the same amount as was given last year and which was authorized by the Executive Board.

"The Finance Committee Recommends that the Executive Board again approve the proposal of the president of the Church that a gift of $1,000 to the Protestant Radio Commission be made from the President's Fund."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

*(b) in 1950*

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report:

"The $2,000 item for the Protestant Radio Commission which is included among the appropriations in Item 3 of this Finance Committee report is to be understood as a gift from the United Lutheran Church to the Protestant Radio Commission for the general purposes of the Commission. This gift does not imply the acceptance by our Church of a pro rata share in the budget of the Protestant Radio Commission for 1950 inasmuch as the United Lutheran Church does not hold membership in the Commission."

This item was received as information.

### 26. Christian University in Japan

*(a) Solicitation of Funds Not to Have Status of General Appeal*

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"Periodically since the conclusion of World War II the Board of Foreign Missions has discussed and received appeals for a proposed Christian University in Japan. At its June 14-16, 1948 meeting the Board acted regarding its own financial participation in this project as follows:

> " '*Voted:* (*a*) that the Board of Foreign Missions of the U.L.C.A. express its inability to participate in the plan for the establishment of a Christian University in Japan because of the many needs of the field for funds.'

"This action was taken in response to a formal request from the sponsoring body of the future Christian University for a contribution from our Foreign Mission Board in the amount of $75,000 to an initial fund of $1,500,000. This fund of $1,500,000 was to be used to finance the raising of the needed capital investment of fifteen million dollars with which to found the university and to provide 'a central campus with a college of education as a beginning, a library and certain administration facilities.'

"On February 7-9, 1949, the Board of Foreign Missions recorded this statement and subsequent action in its minutes (page 37):

> " 'The plan of raising the funds for the Christian University in Japan has been going forward and progress has been made on the development of the campaign which will be launched immediately following Easter. The Lutheran Church in Japan took the following action:
>
> > " ' "Voted: That we go on record as favoring the support of our Church in the project of the interdenominational Christian University for Japan and recommend that the board assist in establishing and maintaining it." '
>
> " 'Voted that, while we (the Board of Foreign Missions) are unable to make a direct financial contribution to the fund for the establishment of the Christian University in Japan, subject to the approval of the Executive Board of the U.L.C.A., we do heartily commend the establishment of this university to the generous giving of our people when the nation-wide campaign is made this spring.'

"The president of the Church has informed the Finance Committee that this item is referred to this committee because Section VIII, Item 5, of the By-Laws of the United Lutheran Church is clearly involved:

> " 'Item 5. No agency of the Church, including the auxiliaries, shall have the right to inaugurate a general appeal for the raising of funds outside of its regular budget, without the consent of the Executive Board.'

"There is no proposal at present that the United Lutheran Church should participate in the ownership or control of the future Christian University in Japan. If that should be the case, the counsel of the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships would be desired. The only request before the Executive Board at this time is that our Church should participate in financing the new institution.

"The most recent information is that the forthcoming financial appeal will continue from Easter 1949 until Pentecost 1950.

"In view of the prior claims upon the generosity of our people which have been approved by the 1948 convention of the Church, including Lutheran World Action and Christian Higher Education Year, the Finance Committee RECOMMENDS the adoption of the following reply to the Board of Foreign Missions:

"Although recognizing that many members of The United Lutheran Church in America will be solicited individually and without doubt will contribute liberally to the establishment of a Christian University in Japan, this solicitation of funds will not have the status of a general appeal of the United Lutheran Church itself."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### (b) *Membership of President Fry on Church Advisory Committee Approved*

(See VIII, 10, E, p. 512, of this report.)

### 27. Gift Returned

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Legal Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"On January 11, 1950 the treasurer of the U.L.C.A. received a check for $1,700.00 from an individual, whose near relatives contend that he was under severe nervous strain at the time the gift was made. The gift represented a substantial portion of the man's capital assets and his wife, father and brother, persons of responsibility, requested its return. He has now joined in the request for the return of his gift. We are assured that he has now recovered his health and that his receipts for the funds would absolve the Church from any further responsibility.

"The Legal Committee feels that for the best interests of the Church, any strict legal right we might have to the fund should be waived, but that our action in forgoing any claims should not prejudice the rights of any others to whom the man made gifts simultaneously with ours. We believe that the transaction should be reported to the Church, but that names should be neither given nor asked.

"We, therefore, RECOMMEND, that the treasurer of the U.L.C.A. repay to the donor the sum of $1,700 received January 11, 1950 upon receipt of a proper acquittance therefore."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 28. U. S. Government Social Security Coverage for Employees of Nonprofit Institutions

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report:

"A bill—HR 2893, dated February 21, 1949—'to extend and improve the old age and survivors' system to add protection against disability and other purposes' was introduced into Congress by Representative Robert Doughton and referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means. Section 1412 of this bill provides for payments by employers in nonprofit enterprises, including employers engaged in religious activities. This section of the bill indicates such an employer *may* pay amounts equivalent to the contributions by employees, without stating a specific obligation to do so.

"The Finance Committee submits the foregoing information as a contingency which may affect the terms of the U.L.C.A. Lay Pension Plan."

This item was received as information.

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following recommendation:

"The Finance Committee Recommends that the Executive Board invite the Board of Pensions and Relief to give thought to the possible desirability of an amendment or amendments to the Lay Pension Plan in order to adjust the Lay Pension Plan to a probable extension of Social Security legislation which would include the lay employees of U.L.C.A. boards, agencies, and auxiliaries."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report:

"No action was taken by the Board of Pensions and Relief at its meeting on May 5, 1950, regarding possible modification of the Lay Pension Plan in view of the imminent, permissive extension of federal social security to include the employees of religious corporations like the United Lutheran Church."

This item was received as information.

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendations:

"The Social Security Act Amendments of 1950 (H.R. 6000) on August 28, 1950, became Public Law 734, having been signed by the President on that date. (See below for statement on 'Social Security Act Amendments of 1950.')

"Section 1426 (1) of the Internal Revenue Code relates to exemption of religious, charitable, etc., organizations and a waiver of exemption by such organizations. The applicable portion of the text of the foregoing provisions is appended hereto and made a part of this report.

"The enactment of this law by the United States Government providing for the possible extension of Social Security benefits to lay church workers is in agreement with the expressed views of the ULCA at its 1944 convention. The 1944 action was as follows: 'That the Church . . . approve in principle the extension of Social Security to lay church workers.'

"Since the boards and agencies of the ULCA and the ULCA itself are separate corporate bodies in the legal sense, therefore each must act separately for Social Security coverage for its employees. It will be necessary for the Executive Board to act in behalf of the employees of the ULCA itself, including the lay employees of the Stewardship Office, the Department of Church Architecture, and the Lutheran Church House.

"The Board of Pensions and Relief has indicated that it is considering the amendment of the Lay Pension Plan to the effect that the combined contributions of lay church workers under the Social Security program and the Lay Pension Plan will not exceed the present rate of 4 per cent for either the employer or employee.

"The Finance Committee Recommends that the Executive Board take the necessary steps through the officers of the Church to make the proper application for Social Security coverage for the lay employees of the ULCA serving under the Executive Board, including the lay employees of the Stewardship Office, the Department of Church Architecture, and the Lutheran Church House, provided a required percentage of such employees indicate their desire for such coverage.

"The Finance Committee further RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board indicate to all boards, agencies, and auxiliaries of the ULCA having lay employees the desirability of identical action in behalf of their employees.

"The Finance Committee further RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board call the attention of all synods to the above (item and recommendations) on behalf of the ULCA."

The recommendations were adopted by the Executive Board.

At the October 3, 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary reported as follows concerning Social Security for Executive Board lay employees:

"In response to the action of the Executive Board at the September 1950 meeting (Minutes, p. 1033) the secretary submitted a ballot on September 15 to each of the 30 lay employees of the ULCA, serving under the Executive Board, requesting them to indicate whether or not they desire to be covered by the new Social Security Act Amendments of 1950 (HR 6000).

"As of September 28, 1950, 24 of the 30 persons have replied, each one indicating a desire to be so covered.

"The secretary reports for information that, inasmuch as the required percentage of lay employees has elected to participate in the Social Security benefits, the officers of the Church are making the necessary application for Social Security coverage for the lay employees of the ULCA serving under the Executive Board."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### "SOCIAL SECURITY ACT AMENDMENTS OF 1950

Provisions of Section 1426 (1) of the Internal Revenue Code
(as amended by the Social Security Act Amendments of 1950)
relating to Non-Profit Organizations

"1426 (1) Exemption of Religious, Charitable, Etc., Organizations.—

"(1) Waiver of Exemption by Organization.—An organization exempt from income tax under section 101 (6) may file a certificate (in such form and manner, and with such official, as may be prescribed by regulations made under this sub-chapter) certifying that it desires to have the insurance system established by title II of the Social Security Act extended to service performed by its employees and that at least two-thirds of its employees concur in the filing of the certificate. Such certificates may be filed only if it is accompanied by a list containing the signature, address, and social security account number (if any) of each employee who concurs in the filing of the certificate. Such list may be amended, at any time prior to the expiration of the first month following the first calendar quarter for which the certificate is in effect, by filing with such official a supplemental list or lists containing the signature, address, and social security account number (if any) of each additional employee who concurs in the filing of the certificate. The list and any supplemental list shall be filed in such form and manner as may be prescribed by regulations made under this sub-chapter. The certificate shall be in effect (for the purpose of sub-section (b) (9) (B) and for the purposes of section 210 (a) (9) (B) of the Social Security Act) for the period beginning with the first day following the close of the calendar quarter in which such certificate is filed, but in no case shall such period begin prior to January 1, 1951. The period for which the certificate is effective may be terminated by the organization, effective at the end of a calendar quarter, upon giving two years' advance notice in writing, but only if, at the time of the receipt of such notice, the certificate has been in effect for a period of not less than eight years. The notice of termination may be revoked by the organization by giving, prior to the close of the calendar quarter specified in the notice of termination, a written notice of such revocation. Notice of termination or revocation thereof shall be filed in such form and manner, and with such official, as may be prescribed by regulations made under this sub-chapter.

"(2) Termination of Waiver Period by Commissioner.—If the Commissioner finds that any organization which filed a certificate pursuant to this sub-section has failed to comply substantially with the requirements of this sub-chapter or is no longer able to comply therewith, the Commissioner shall give such organization not less than sixty days' advance notice in writing that the period covered by such certificate will terminate at the end of the calendar quarter specified in such notice. Such notice of termination may be revoked by the Commissioner by giving, prior to the close of the calendar quarter specified in the notice of termination, written notice of such revocation to the organization. No notice of termination or of revocation thereof shall be given under this paragraph to an organization without the prior concurrence of the Federal Security Administrator.

"(3) No Renewal of Waiver.—In the event the period covered by a certificate filed pursuant to this sub-section is terminated by the organization, no certificate may again be filed by such organization pursuant to this sub-section."

"NOTE: A waiver of exemption filed under this section would apply to '. . . an employee (i) whose signature appears on the list filed by such organization under such section 1426 (1), or (ii) who became an employee of such organization after the calendar quarter in which the certificate was filed.' (Quotation from Section 210 (a) (9) (B) of Amended Social Security Act.)"

### 29. Social Security Recommendations—Board of Social Missions

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report:

"The Board of Social Missions at its May 1950 meeting adopted the following recommendation of its Committee on Inner Missions:

"'1. That this communication be sent to the following persons:

"'Senator Walter George (Ga.), Chairman, Senate Finance Committee
Senator Francis J. Myers (Pa.), Member, Senate Finance Committee
Senator Edwin Johnson (Colo.), Member, Senate Finance Committee

"'"The Board of Social Missions of The United Lutheran Church in America regrets greatly the exclusion of 'religious' from 'Any employer which is a corporation—organized and operated exclusively for religious, charitable—purposes—applicable with respect to wages paid by such employer during the period for which a waiver, filed by such employer pursuant to sub-section (*b*) of this section, is in effect.' (HR 6000, Section 202, Section 1412, page 125 of October 6—legislative day September 3, 1949). The exclusion of employes of religious, charitable institutions and agencies will discriminate against them by decreasing their mobility from job to job. It has been impossible to cover adequately all of them through our church-sponsored security plans.

"'"This waiver clause permits any organization which desires to remain outside the Federal Social Security system to do so. The Board by action on May 4, 1950 favors the re-introduction of this coverage into HR 6000."'"

This item was received as information.

### 30. Board of Deaconess Work Request for Cost Analysis of Operations of the Two Motherhouses

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"At the January 25, 1950, meeting of the Board of Deaconess Work, the following motion was adopted (Board of Deaconess Work Minutes, p. 12):

> " 'It was moved that the Board of Deaconess Work request the officers of the Church, through the comptroller's office, to make a study and cost analysis of the operations of the two Motherhouses, as an aid to the Board in determining its needs.'

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board authorize the officers of the Church through the comptroller's office and in conjunction with the auditors and treasurer of the Deaconess Board to make the requested study and cost analysis of the operations of the two Motherhouses and that findings be reported to the Executive Board."

The Executive Board adopted the recommendation.

### 31. Promotional Material to Stimulate Gifts and Legacies

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Executive Board, at its meeting in August 1947 requested the Finance Commitee 'to study the possibility of greatly accelerating provisions for the Church, its boards and institutions, through special gifts and legacies and that this include plans for a suitable brochure and other means of presenting the causes of the Church for this purpose.'

"Two reports were presented to the Executive Board by the Finance Committee, one in January 1948 and one in April 1948. The Finance Committee, in consultation with the office of stewardship secretary, was authorized to develop material that could be used for this purpose, and the publication of items on the subject was approved. The committee also reported to the April 1948 meeting that it was awaiting the action of the United Stewardship Council, which organization is working on this matter.

"The Administrative Committee of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship, at a meeting on January 13, 1949, voted to leave to the discretion of Dr. C. C. Stoughton the question of inserting a series of three advertisements on Christian wills in *The Lutheran* at an expense of $100. A line shall appear in the advertisement, reading: 'For further information write to the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship, 231 Madison Avenue, New York 16.' Such inquiries will be answered by Mr. Telleen or Dr. Stackel. The Administrative Committee also voted that the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship shall prepare a booklet on Christian wills."

This item was received as information.

### 32. Apportionment to Synods for 1950 and for 1951

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary presented the following report:

"Given below is the schedule of apportionments for the synods in 1950 and 1951. It will be recalled that in computing apportionments the communing membership of the constituent synods, exclusive of nonsynodical congregations, is used. In 1950, Part I of the budget totals $3,830,900, and Part II $1,000,000, for a grand total of $4,830,900. In 1951, Part I of the budget total $3,970,280, and Part II $1,250,000, for a grand total of $5,220,280."

At the October 3, 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee reported as follows:

"The Finance Committee calls the attention of the Executive Board to the information on page 543 of the Bulletin concerning the apportionment for the New Jersey Synod and the redistribution of the apportionment for the three constituent synods affected by the formation of the New Jersey Synod, and RECOMMENDS that this information be included in the Minutes of the Executive Board.

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

FOR 1950 AND FOR 1951

"APPORTIONMENT TO SYNODS

| | *"Communing Members for 1950 Apportionment* | *1950 Apportionment* | *Communing Members for 1951 Apportionment* | *1951 Apportionment* |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| "Pennsylvania Ministerium | 174,794 | $928,537 | 176,396 | $991,600 |
| New York Synod | 112,214 | 596,101 | 111,460 | 626,566 |
| North Carolina Synod | 27,851 | 147,949 | 28,599 | 160,768 |
| Maryland Synod | 40,852 | 217,013 | 41,310 | 232,222 |
| South Carolina Synod | 20,310 | 107,890 | 20,673 | 116,212 |
| Central Pennsylvania Synod | 135,784 | 721,309 | 138,105 | 776,349 |
| Virginia Synod | 16,077 | 85,404 | 16,473 | 92,602 |
| Ohio Synod | 63,362 | 336,590 | 64,918 | 364,933 |
| Pittsburgh Synod | 67,622 | 359,220 | 68,680 | 386,081 |
| Indiana Synod | 16,224 | 86,185 | 16,951 | 95,289 |
| Illinois Synod | 40,855 | 217,029 | 41,781 | 234,870 |
| Texas Synod | 5,045 | 26,800 | 5,072 | 28,512 |
| Mississippi Synod | 372 | 1,976 | 381 | 2,142 |
| Iowa Synod | 12,807 | 68,033 | 13,162 | 73,989 |
| Michigan Synod | 7,560 | 40,160 | 7,591 | 42,672 |
| Georgia-Alabama Synod | 4,092 | 21,737 | 4,423 | 24,864 |
| Canada Synod | 19,555 | 103,880 | 20,766 | 116,735 |
| Kansas Synod | 6,778 | 36,006 | 6,711 | 37,726 |
| Nebraska Synod | 13,897 | 73,823 | 14,673 | 82,483 |
| Wartburg Synod | 12,456 | 66,169 | 12,848 | 72,224 |
| Icelandic Synod | 1,640 | 8,712 | 1,766 | 9,927 |
| Midwest Synod | 11,625 | 61,754 | 11,752 | 66,063 |
| California Synod | 12,575 | 66,801 | 13,436 | 75,530 |
| Rocky Mountain Synod | 2,891 | 15,358 | 3,254 | 18,292 |
| Northwest Synod | 50,094 | 266,108 | 52,234 | 293,630 |
| Western Canada Synod | 7,951 | 42,237 | 7,924 | 44,544 |
| Pacific Synod | 4,229 | 22,465 | 4,790 | 26,927 |
| Nova Scotia Synod | 2,645 | 14,051 | 2,637 | 14,824 |
| West Virginia Synod | 3,894 | 20,686 | 4,051 | 22,773 |
| Slovak Zion Synod | 6,366 | 33,817 | 8,327 | 46,810 |
| Florida Synod | 2,357 | 12,521 | 2,646 | 14,874 |
| Kentucky Tennessee Synod | 4,627 | 24,579 | 4,847 | 27,247 |
| | 909,401 | $4,830,900 | 928,637 | $5,220,280 |
| | Per capita | $5.312177 | Per capita | $5.621443" |

This report was received as information.

On July 26, 1950 the secretary sent the following report to the presidents, secretaries, treasurers and statisticians of the four synods involved in the formation of the New

Jersey Synod, indicating to those officers the communing membership and apportionment figures for their several synods in 1951:

“Redistribution of 1951 U.L.C.A. apportionment in synods affected by organization of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of New Jersey:

| *Synod* | *Old 1948 Communing Membership* | *1948 Communing Members Transferred to New Jersey* | *New Communing Membership Figure for 1951* | *New Apportionment for 1951* | *Old Apportionment for 1951* |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| PM | 176,396 | 8,183 | 168,213 | $945,600 | $991,600 |
| NY | 111,460 | 16,651 | 94,809 | 532,963 | 626,566 |
| CP | 138,105 | 3,847 | 134,258 | 754,724 | 776,349 |
| NJ | | | 28,681 | 161,228 | |
| Totals | 425,961 | 28,681 | 425,961 | $2,394,515 | $2,394,515” |

## 33. Budget of the U.L.C.A.

### *(a) Requests for Revision of Part I 1949 U.L.C.A. Budget*

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

“The Allocation Commission on January 25, 1949 considered the three following memoranda regarding alterations in Part I of the 1949 budget of the United Lutheran Church:

> “‘(1) Board of American Missions for N.L.C. Department for the Christian Approach to the Jewish People.
>
> “‘The United Lutheran Church’s responsibility for Jewish Missions was transferred from our Board of American Missions to the National Lutheran Council’s recently established Department for the Christian Approach to the Jewish People after the preparation of the U.L.C.A.’s 1949 budget.
>
> “‘At its meeting on November 17-18, 1948, the Board of American Missions recognized that the 1949 contributions of the U.L.C.A. to the support of the Department for the Christian Approach to the Jewish People should consequently be subtracted from the Board of American Missions’ share in Part I of the Church’s budget for 1949. The Board of American Missions’ agreement to this procedure is recorded on page 4550 of the minutes of the above meeting. The understanding is that the treasurer of the Church will deduct from the monthly remittances to the Board of American Missions from the receipts for Part I of the United Lutheran Church’s 1949 budget the sum of $10,000 as the U.L.C.A.’s proper, proportionate share in the core budget of the Department for the Christian Approach to the Jewish People plus the cost of special projects heretofore supported by the Board of American Missions.
>
> “‘To enable the Executive Board to effect this mutually desired arrangement, which is in form an alteration of the U.L.C.A.’s 1949 budget, the provisions of the following action of the 1946 convention (minutes, pp. 75 and 334) must be observed:
>
> > “‘“That the budgets adopted by The United Lutheran Church in America for 1948 and 1949, be subject to revision, in the light of changing conditions, by the Executive Board in consultation with the Allocation Commission, following conference with the boards and agencies concerned.’”
>
> “‘The requirement of a conference with the board concerned has been fulfilled. The Executive Board now requests the counsel of the Allocation Commission as to its further procedure.
>
> “‘Does the Allocation Commission counsel the Executive Board to revise the budget of the U.L.C.A. for 1949 by subtracting the sum of $10,000 from the share of the Board of American Missions in Part I of the 1949 budget and by transferring the said sum of $10,000 to the budget of the

> Executive Board to provide for the United Lutheran Church's obligations and contributions to the National Lutheran Council's Department for the Christian Approach to the Jewish People in 1949?' "

The response of the Allocation Commission was in the affirmative.

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS:

"That the Executive Board revise the budget of the U.L.C.A. for 1949 by subtracting the sum of $10,000 from the share of the Board of American Missions in Part I of the 1949 budget and transferring said sum of $10,000 to the budget of the Executive Board to provide, in 1949, for the United Lutheran Church's obligations and contributions to the National Lutheran Council's Department for the Christian Approach to the Jewish People."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board:

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

" '(2) Board of Education for N.L.C. Division of Student Service

> " 'On July 15, 1946, the Student Service Commission of the National Lutheran Council assumed the United Lutheran Church's ministry to Lutheran students in non-Lutheran colleges and seminaries which had previously been carried on by our Board of Education. Ever since that time our Church's contributions to the support of the Student Service Commission have flowed through the treasury of the Board of Education rather than directly from the central treasury of the United Lutheran Church. This has been true because a "commission" has only a temporary or emergency character under the constitution of the National Lutheran Council (cf. Article X, Section 5). For permanent divisions or departments of the National Lutheran Council, the latter financial procedure is the rule.
>
> " 'In October 1948 the Philadelphia convention of the United Lutheran Church approved the establishment of a Division of Student Service to replace the Commission of the same name in the National Lutheran Council. Our information is that a sufficient number of the other participating bodies in the National Lutheran Council has also given official approval. The new Division of Student Service is expected to come into existence at the forthcoming meeting of the National Lutheran Council on February 1-4, 1949.
>
> " 'Since this new division, unlike its predecessor commission, will be a permanent organ of the Council, the financial arrangements for its support need to be altered so as to conform to its changed status.
>
> " 'The Board of Education has voluntarily recognized the logic of this step and has taken the initiative to effect it by calculating its 1949 budget on the basis of receipts of $145,200 from Part I of the U.L.C.A. budget of this year (see brief submitted in connection with January 1949 allocations) instead of $200,200, which was the total amount assigned to the Board of Education in Part I of the 1949 U.L.C.A. budget by the 1946 convention. The representatives of the Board have indicated its desire to have the new channel for the support of the student service work established at the beginning of 1949 rather than during the course of the year. The difference between $200,200 and $145,200, equaling $55,000, represents the promised contribution of the Board of Education to the National Lutheran Council for the purpose of student service during 1949.
>
> " 'To enable the Executive Board to effect this mutually desired arrangement, which is in form an alteration of the U.L.C.A.'s 1949 budget, the provisions of the following action of the 1946 U.L.C.A. convention (minutes pp. 75 and 334) must be observed:
>
> > " ' "That the budgets adopted by The United Lutheran Church in America for 1948 and 1949, be subject to revision, in the light of changing conditions, by the Executive Board in consultation with the Allocation Commission, following conference with the boards and agencies concerned."

> " 'The requirement of a conference with the board concerned has been fulfilled. The Executive Board now requests the counsel of the Allocation Commission as to its further procedure.
>
> " 'Does the Allocation Commission counsel the Executive Board to revise the budget of the United Lutheran Church for 1949 subtracting $55,000 from the share of the Board of Education in Part I of the 1949 budget and by transferring such sum of $55,000 to the budget of the Executive Board to provide in part for the U.L.C.A.'s obligations and contributions in 1949 to the proposed Division of Student Service of the National Lutheran Council?' "

The Counsel of the Allocation Commission was in the affirmative.

The Finance Committee recommends:

"That the Executive Board revise the budget of the U.L.C.A. for 1949 by subtracting the sum of $55,000 from the share of the Board of Education in Part I of the 1949 budget and transferring said sum of $55,000 to the budget of the Executive Board to provide in part in 1949 for the United Lutheran Church's obligations and contributions to the National Lutheran Council's Student Service Division."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

" '(3) Parish and Church School Board for Department of Church Architecture

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

> " 'The 1948 convention of the United Lutheran Church adopted a structural outline for a Department of Church Architecture and instructed the Executive Board to bring this new department into existence as soon as possible after January 1949. As soon as this has been accomplished, various board and agencies of the Church are to transfer their supervisory activities in the field of church architecture to the new department. The Parish and Church School Board will be one of the agencies directly affected.
>
> " 'For the past several years the Parish and Church School Board has included in its annual budget a sum of $3,300 to provide one half of the costs of one subdivision of its work. This subdivision has offered services of two varieties: advice regarding church architecture, and counseling for camps and summer schools. For this reason the illustrative budget of the proposed Department of Church Architecture (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 324) included in its estimate of income this $3,300 from the Parish and Church School Board.
>
> " 'The Parish and Church School Board freely recognizes that this provision is just. As evidence of that fact, the board has anticipated the action proposed in this memorandum in reporting its 1949 budget to this joint meeting of the Executive Board and the Allocation Commission. $3,300 has been deducted in advance from its assigned share in Part I of the United Lutheran Church budget of 1949. The Parish and Church School Board has thus indicated that it expects this sum to be transferred to the Department of Church Architecture during the coming year.
>
> " 'To enable the Executive Board to effect this mutually desired arrangement, which is in form an alteration of the U.L.C.A.'s 1949 budget, the provisions of the following action of the 1946 convention (pp. 75 and 334) must be observed:
>
>> " ' "That the budgets adopted by The United Lutheran Church in America for 1948 and 1949, be subject to revision in the light of changing conditions, by the Executive Board in consultation with the Allocation Commission, following conference with the boards and agencies concerned."
>
> " 'The requirement of a conference with the board concerned has been fulfilled. The Executive Board now requests the counsel of the Allocation Commission as to its further procedure.

> "'Does the Allocation Commission counsel the Executive Board to revise the budget of the United Lutheran Church for 1949 by subtracting a sum not to exceed $3,300 from the share of the Parish and Church School Board in Part I of the 1949 budget and by transferring the said sum of not more than $3,300 to the budget of the Executive Board for the benefit of the proposed Department of Church Architecture, the exact amount to be determined in accordance wih the budget finally adopted by the Executive Board for the Department of Church Architecture and in relation to the date on which the Department of Church Architecture will begin to function?'"

The answer of the Allocation Commission was in the affirmative.

The Finance Committee gave the following as its judgment:

"The Executive Board submitted for the Department of Church Architecture (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 324), an illustrative annual budget for the first year of its organization. The budget provided for an amount of $3,300 to be deducted from the share of the Parish and Church School Board in Part I of the 1949 budget of the U.L.C.A. The department is not yet functioning and the action to revise Part I of the budget should be postponed until the April meeting of the Executive Board."

The Executive Board concurred in the judgment of the Finance Committee.

### *(b) Budget Hearings*

In accordance with established procedure, and with the spirit of the U.L.C.A. constitution, the Finance Committee in conjunction with the officers of the Church arranged hearings with board and agency representatives to consider future budget matters. The hearings were held in the Lutheran Church House, New York City, on June 15 and 16. The officers of the Church, the comptroller, the stewardship secretary participated in the hearing along with the members of the Finance Committee. Finance Committee chairman, Dr. Henry Beisler, presided.

The representatives of the boards and agencies had either furnished in advance or brought to the hearings a full exhibit of the 1950 budget situation and the 1952 and 1953 budget needs of the cause for which he or she spoke. Important understandings of the fiscal policies and administration of the budget boards and agencies are gained in these hearings, and helpful counsel is shared.

A stirring announcement came to the June 1950 hearings from the Executive Director of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship. Mr. Henry Endress began his statement at the hearing with the declaration which is backed by his agency's new "Venture of Faith:" "The Stewardship Office of The United Lutheran Church in America, in accord with its long-range plans prepared in conjunction with the Lutheran Laymen's Movement, makes no request for funds from the years 1952 and 1953, or, thereafter."

Each representative was asked whether his board or agency had found the allocation procedure of recent years fulfilling its purpose of providing financial operations stability, flexibility and protection against budget unbalance caused by emergencies. The representatives without exception answered in the affirmative.

### *(c) *Proportion of Part II of Future U.L.C.A. Budgets (Adopted, see pp. 604, 610)*

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report:

"In view of the necessity for the Executive Board to submit to the Convention budgets of the United Lutheran Church for the support of the work of the boards and agencies in the second and third year following their adoption of said budget the following reasons were considered for continued inclusion of Part II:

"It is consistent with good budget procedure to provide flexibility in its administration so that emergencies and contingencies arising from economic and changing world conditions and from operations of the boards and agencies may be adequately met.

"Part I of the budget should provide for the essential and basic services of the various boards and agencies with allowance for normal and conservative expansion kept within the almost certain receipts so as to assure to such boards and agencies the necessary fund to carry on their normal and basic service.

"The following motion was presented to the 1948 Convention and subsequently referred, together with pending amendments, to the Executive Board 'for study during the biennium:'

> "'That hereafter, in preparing the budget for presentation to biennial conventions of the Church, the Executive Board shall not consign an amount exceeding 10 per cent of the total budget to Part II, to be allocated by the Executive Board in consultation with the Allocation Commission following conferences with the boards and agencies concerned.' (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 767.)

"In January 1949 the Executive Board committed this study to the Finance Committee which has given it prolonged and thoughtful consideration for many months. The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board present the following proposed action to the 1950 convention:

"That the proportion of Part II of future budgets of the U.L.C.A. to the total budget in each year not exceed 20 per cent." (Adopted, see pp. 604, 610).

*(d) *U.L.C.A. Budget for the Calendar Years 1952 and for 1953. (See III, 35, p. 168 of this report.) (For action, see p. 1046)*

On the recommendation of its Finance Committee, the Executive Board, at the June 1950 meeting, adopted for submission to the U.L.C.A. recommendations (1), (2), and (3) below.

The Executive Board now recommends to the 1950 convention of the Church:

"(1) That a special allocation commission of fifteen members be appointed by the president of the Church for each of the years 1952 and 1953 to counsel with the Executive Board regarding the allocation of receipts for Part II of the budget of the Church in each of those years following conferences with the boards and agencies concerned. (Adopted, see p. 1046)

"(2) That the budgets adopted by The United Lutheran Church in America for 1952 and 1953, for the distribution of apportionment receipts, be subject to revision, in the light of changing conditions, by the Executive Board in consultation with the allocation commission, following conference with the boards and agencies concerned. (Adopted, see p. 1046)

"(3) That, subject to changes above provided, the following budgets be adopted for the calendar years 1952 and 1953. (Adopted, see p. 1046)

### BUDGET OF THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

*For the calendar years 1952 and 1953*

| *Part I* | *1952* | *1953* |
|---|---|---|
| *Allotments to boards and agencies:* | | |
| Board of Foreign Missions | $1,185,600 | $1,222,500 |
| Board of American Missions | 1,469,100 | 1,469,100 |
| Board of Social Missions | 98,670 | 98,670 |

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| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Board of Deaconess Work | 104,580** | 104,580** |
| Board of Pensions and Relief | 479,280 | 479,280 |
| Board of Education | 198,000 | 198,000 |
| Parish and Church School Board | 98,100 | 98,100 |
| Executive Board—Administration | 103,800 | 103,800 |
| U.L.C.A. Committees and Appropriations | 140,400 | 121,800 |
| Biennial Convention Fund | 25,000 | 30,000 |
| National Lutheran Council | 267,000 | 267,000 |
| | $4,169,530* | $4,192,830* |
| *Part II* | | |
| For meeting other urgent demands for advancing the work of the Church, to be allocated by the Executive Board in consultation with the Allocation Commission following conferences with the boards and agencies concerned | 1,033,770* | 1,039,570* |
| Total Budget | $5,203,300* | $5,232,400"* |

*(e) Distribution of apportionment receipts 1936 to 1949*

The following tabulation of the distribution of U.L.C.A. apportionment receipts, for the calendar years 1936 through 1949, is presented as information.

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* These figures are adjusted in accordance with action recorded. (See III, 35, p. 168)

** These are adjusted figures. (See III, 35, p. 168)....

*Distribution of Apportionment Receipts*

| *Agency* | 1936 | 1937 | 1938 | 1939 | 1940 | 1941 | 1942 | 1943 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Foreign Missions | $270,000 | $303,000 | $306,000 | $297,000 | $315,000 | $333,000 | $372,000 | $417,000* |
| American Missions | 347,130 | 389,557 | 393,414 | 381,843 | 404,985 | 428,127 | 452,600 | 507,350* |
| Social Missions | 15,300 | 17,170 | 17,340 | 16,830 | 19,110 | 20,202 | 24,800 | 27,800 |
| Deaconess Work | 18,000 | 20,200 | 20,400 | 19,800 | 21,000 | 22,200 | 30,380 | 34,055 |
| Pensions and Relief | 105,750 | 118,675 | 119,850 | 116,325 | 123,375 | 130,425 | 156,736 | 175,696 |
| Education | 81,000 | 90,900 | 91,800 | 89,100 | 94,500 | 99,900 | 117,180 | 131,355 |
| Parish and Church School | 9,900 | 11,110 | 12,444 | 12,078 | 12,810 | 13,542 | 15,128 | 16,958 |
| Executive Board | 38,160 | 42,824 | 43,248 | 41,976 | 44,520 | 47,064 | 52,576 | 58,936 |
| Stewardship and Prom | —— | —— | —— | —— | —— | —— | —— | —— |
| Biennial Convention Fund | † | † | † | † | † | † | † | † |
| National Lutheran Council | 10,350 | 11,615 | 11,730 | 11,385 | 12,075 | 12,765 | 15,500 | 17,375 |
| American Bible Society | 2,250 | 2,525 | 2,550 | 2,475 | 2,625 | 2,775 | 3,100 | 3,475 |
| Luther League | † | † | † | † | † | † | † | † |
| Tabitha and Lowman Homes | 2,160 | 2,424 | 1,224 | 1,188 | —— | —— | —— | —— |
| Totals | $900,000 | $1,010,000 | $1,020,000 | $990,000 | $1,050,000 | $1,110,000 | $1,240,000 | $1,390,000 |

*Less $30,000 each for War Emergency Fund
**Less $60,000 each for War Emergency Fund

†Paid from Executive Board Treasury
‡Less $3,750 for American Bible Society

| *Agency* | 1944 | 1945 | 1945 "c" Budget | 1946 | 1946 "c" Budget | 1947 | 1947 "c" Budget |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Foreign Missions | $459,000** | $438.750 | $74,000.00 | $438,750 | $123,000.00 | $438,750.00 | $141,390.00 |
| American Missions | 558,450** | 536,250 | —— | 536,250 | 174,000.00 | 536,250.00 | 198,500.00 |
| Social Missions | 30,600‡ | 30.000 | 10,000.00 | 30,000 | 21,585.68 | 30,000.00 | 12,700.00 |
| Deaconess Work | 37,485 | 42,000 | 9,000.00 | 45,000 | 13,000.00 | 45,000.00 | 33,474.00 |
| Pensions and Relief | 193,392 | 191,250 | 71,275.00 | 191,250 | 93,225.00 | 191,250.00 | 140,750.00 |
| Education | 144,585 | 142,500 | 56,860.00 | 142,500 | 40,500.23 | 142,500.00 | 4,500.00 |
| Parish and Church School | 18,666 | 22,500 | 16,266.56 | 22,500 | 7,304.35 | 22,500.00 | 10,600.00 |
| Executive Board | 64,872 | 60,000 | 19,223.43 | 60,000 | 17,395.00 | 60,000.00 | 10,991.46 |
| U.L.C.A. Appropriations | —— | —— | —— | —— | 29,300.00 | —— | 45,100.00 |
| Stewardship and Prom | —— | 35,000 | —— | 35,000 | 25,000.00 | 35,000.00 | 70,000.00 |
| Biennial Convention Fund | 40,000 | 20,000 | —— | 20,000 | —— | 20,000.00 | † |
| National Lutheran Council | 19,125 | 30,000 | 6,071.77 | 30,000 | 14,632.00 | 30,000.00 | 22,658.56 |
| American Bible Society | 3,825 | 3,750 | 15,000.00 | 3,750 | 15,000.00 | 3,750.00 | 15,000.00 |
| Luther League | † | † | 8,475.56 | † | 4,250.00 | —— | 4,713.43‡‡ |
| Tabitha and Lowman Homes | —— | —— | —— | —— | —— | —— | —— |
| Totals | $1,570,000 | $1,555,000 | $286,172.32 | $1,555,000 | $578,192.26 | $1,555,000.00 | $710,377.45 |

*Less $30,000 each for War Emergency Fund
**Less $60,000 each for War Emergency Fund
‡‡For League of Young Adult Lutherans

†Paid from Executive Board Treasury
‡Less $3,750 for American Bible Society

| Agency | 1948 |  |  | 1949 |  |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|  | Part I | Part II | Double Apportionment | Part I | Part II |
| Foreign Missions | $564,000.00 | $233,744.04 | $165,201.51 | $564,000.00 | $206,388.45 |
| American Missions | 633,000.00 | 10,000.00 | 388,945.55 | 633,000.00 | 368,054.00 |
| Social Missions | 40,000.00 | 31,238.00 | 29,518.00 | 40,000.00 | 21,092.43 |
| Deaconess Work | 54,000.00 | 15,000.00 | 16,000.00 | 54,000.00 | 12,000.00 |
| Pensions and Relief | 274,750.00 | 144,050.00 | 87,350.00 | 274,750.00 | 155,000.00 |
| Education | 200,200.00 | 19,830.00 | 15,000.00 | 200,200.00 | ——— |
| Parish and Church School | 40,000.00 | 5,000.00 | 14,800.00 | 40,000.00 | 5,391.39 |
| Executive Board | 69,075.00 | 22,372.04 | ——— | 69,075.00 | ——— |
| U.L.C.A. Appropriations | 24,650.00 | 67,995.70 | 4,000.00 | 24,650.00 | 36,471.51 |
| Stewardship and Promotion | 35,000.00 | 110,000.00 | ——— | 35,000.00 | 60,000.00 |
| Biennial Convention Fund | 20,000.00 | 25,000.00 | ——— | 20,000.00 | 22,500.00 |
| National Lutheran Council | 46,000.00 | 51,931.40 | 175,000.00 | 46,000.00 | 57,745.75 |
| American Bible Society | 5,000.00 | ——— | 15,000.00 | 5,000.00 | 5,000.00 |
| Luther League and L-O-Y-A-L | 9,600.00 | 1,912.82* | ——— | 9,600.00 | 2,979.49* |
| Totals | $2,015,275.00 | $738,074.00 | $910,815.06 | $2,015,275.00 | $952,623.02 |

*League of Young Adult Lutherans

### 34. Budget Control

In accordance with the budget control procedures reported to the 1948 convention (Minutes, p. 557) concerning the budgets of U.L.C.A. standing and special committees and commissions, Comptroller Carl A. Warden has reported regularly to the Executive Board that their expenses have been reviewed and that the expenses compare favorably with the budget limits.

### 35. Board of Deaconess Work, Request to Reopen Proposed U.L.C.A. Budget for 1952 and for 1953 and Proposed Amendment of Those Budgets

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"At the meeting of the Board of Deaconess Work on June 29, 1950, it requested 'the Budget Committee of The United Lutheran Church in America to reopen the budget for 1952-1953 in order to make provision for an additional $11,200 to cover the expense of the proposed expanded promotional program of the Board of Deaconess Work' (p. 10 of its Minutes).

"Since the Executive Board has already adopted a recommended budget for the United Lutheran Church in 1952-1953 for presentation to the 1950 Convention, this action is in effect addressed to the Executive Board itself. The Finance Committee withholds comment or recommendation regarding this request at this time pending the action of this Board on the proposal of the Board of Deaconess Work to add five additional field secretaries to its staff."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

At the same meeting of the Executive Board, after the Board had adopted the recommendation of its Committee on Boards and Committees "that the Board of Deaconess Work be authorized to appoint three additional field secretaries from 1951 through 1953 on a released-time basis" the Finance Committee recommended the following:

"AMENDED U.L.C.A. BUDGET FOR 1952 AND FOR 1953

"In view of the adoption by the Executive Board of the recommendation of the Committee on Boards and Committees at this meeting, that the Executive Board reopen and amend the budgets of The United Lutheran Church in America for the years 1952-1953 to provide for the increase in the budgets for those years of the Board of Deaconess Work,

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that for the years 1952-1953 Part I of the ULCA budgets be increased by $6,900.00 and Part II of said budgets be decreased by $6,900.00; that the amounts provided in the budget for the Board of Deaconess Work for the years 1952-1953 be increased by $6,900.00; and the totals of the budget for each of said years to read as follows:

| | | *"1952* | *1953* |
|---|---|---|---|
| "Total, Part I | 80% | $4,169,530 | $4,192,830 |
| Part II | 20% | $1,033,770 | $1,039,570 |
| "Total budget (unchanged) | | $5,203,300 | $5,232,400" |

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 36. Board of Deaconess Work—Remodeling of Home for Retired Deaconesses

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"Upon the recommendation of its Finance Committee, the Board of Deaconess Work voted on June 29, 1950 (p. 6 of its Minutes):

> "'That the Board of Deaconess Work request the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America to approve setting aside $8,900 in the budget for each of the years 1950 and 1951 for the remodeling of a home for retired deaconesses, toward the purchase or construction of such a home.'

"The Board of Deaconess Work is aware that the financial policy of the United Lutheran Church does not normally permit current operating funds of any board to be used for capital purposes (1946 ULCA Minutes, p. 159, and earlier references). This approach from the Deaconess Board is in the nature of a request for the waiving of this principle in a specific case.

"The facts underlying this matter are that the Board of Deaconess Work itself set aside the sum of $8,900 in its own budgets for each of the years 1950 and 1951 for the remodeling of a home for retired deaconesses, which sum it now wishes to have released for the purchase or construction of such a home, inasmuch as the original remodeling proposal proved to be undesirable. The Finance Committee of this Board was fully informed in advance about the inclusion of $17,800 in the budgets of the Deaconess Board for the original purpose. This Committee gave at least its tacit approval when it recommended budget allotments for 1950 and 1951 for the Board of Deaconess Work of sufficient size to provide for the intended remodeling.

"Inasmuch as it is the judgment of the Board of Deaconess Work that the purchase or construction of a separate residence for retired deaconesses provides the best present solution for their care and further inasmuch as the necessary funds can be hoped for out of the budget allotments of the Board of Deaconess Work for the years 1950 and 1951,

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board waive in this one instance the stated policy of the United Lutheran Church disapproving the use by any board of current income for capital purposes."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 37. Purchase of Short-term U.S. Government Securities

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"A resolution of the Executive Board, upon recommendation of the Finance Committee, (Ex. Bd. Minutes, April, 1948, p. 478) has authorized Officers to purchase from time to time '. . . U.S.A. Notes, Bills or Certificates of Indebtedness, in such amounts, in such denominations, bearing such interest rates, maturing at such dates not over one year from date of purchase . . .'

"During the last year and some months prior, it has been the policy of the U.S. Treasury Department to issue Notes—principally 13-month issues—in place of one-year Certificates of Indebtedness.

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that the enabling resolution be amended to read as follows:

> "Resolved that The Chase National Bank of the City of New York be and hereby is authorized to purchase from time to time, at market, for the account of The United Lutheran Church in America, U.S.A. Notes, Bills, or Certificates of Indebtedness, in such amounts, in such denominations, bearing such interest rates, maturing at such dates not over *two years* from date of purchase, as shall be directed in each instance in writing by any two of the following, viz., Franklin Clark Fry, President; Henry Beisler, Treasurer; and F. Eppling Reinartz, Secretary.

> "Be it further resolved that The Chase National Bank of the City of New York be and hereby is authorized to sell from time to time, at market, for the account of The United Lutheran Church in America, any U.S.A. Notes, Bills, or Certificates of Indebtedness, upon the order of any two of the aforesaid Officers."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 38. Parish and Church School Board—Permission to Use Children of the Church Funds as Loans Rather Than Gifts by Board of American Missions

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Parish and Church School Board at its meeting on June 28, 1950 voted:

> "'. . . to request the Executive Board of our Church to grant permission to the Board of American Missions to use as loans rather than gifts funds given by the Children of the Church for the building of churches in states where there is no United Lutheran Church congregation.'

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board consent to such use of such funds, beginning with the year 1951."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 39. Investment in Common Stocks

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"The minutes of the annual meeting of the Investment Commission, held on February 22, 1950, contain the following excerpt:

> "'The question of the proposed statement to the convention on common stocks was brought up again. After discussion of the subject, it was decided that the Chairman edit the statement. Dr. Reinartz commented that if the statement is to make any impression at the Convention, it must express a deep conviction that this is the right thing to do.
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> "'A motion was made and seconded that the proper officers be instructed to place the matter before the Executive Board for its consideration before the convention.'

"In view of the instruction in the above-quoted action to 'place the matter before the Executive Board for its consideration before the Convention,' Dr. William H. Stackel, chairman of the Investment Commission, has transmitted to the Executive Board on September 7, 1950 (a) . . . statement on common stocks together with a request for appropriate action by this board. The statement is embodied in the report of the Investment Commission to the 1950 convention. (See p. 1052)

"Recommendation 3 in the report will read as follows: 'That the Church endorses in principle the declaration of the Commission relative to common stock investments as set forth in this report.' As guiding information Dr. Stackel quotes in his letter from his report to the February 1950 meeting of the Investment Commission as follows:

> "'Quality common stocks are coming more and more to be recognized as desirable investment media by institutions and endowment managers. The extremely low bond yields now prevailing have driven institutional investors into increasing ratios of common stocks. Some of these stock ratios in large funds approach 50%. In our Church funds, they have sometimes been as low as 15%.
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> "'This is a matter which concerns income yields which in turn affects vitally the welfare and progress of our Church. If a sound policy of increasing

> income can be followed, this inures to the Church's benefit quite as much as increased benevolent contributions. Both flow into the many departments of the Church's work. This is another way of saying that an unduly restrictive investment policy with attending lower income from endowment actually restricts the work of the Church.
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> " 'On the other hand, investment policies must be sound, above reproach, and duly regardful of the integrity of the funds entrusted to the boards.
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> " 'Investment officers have been hesitant to follow even their own best judgment in raising the ratio of stocks, sensing that they may at times face a Church convention when the stock market is low and the portfolio correspondingly depreciated. Furthermore, there are wide differences of opinion among the members of some boards and among leaders of the Church on the subject of common stock investments.
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> " 'All this has led to the suggestion by a certain board officer that the Investment Commission make a declaration to the Church on this important matter. It would be well if we here today could agree upon the substance of such a declaration. It is obvious that weasel words can serve no useful purpose in such a declaration. Our statement must be clear and unequivocal and couched in such language as will foreshadow a sound Church policy.'

"Dr. Stackel's letter concludes: 'I believe that consideration by the Executive Board was included in the motion with the thought in mind that the Executive Board might take some action by way of endorsing the statement which would carry weight with the Church.'

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that, recognizing the special competence of the Investment Commission in guiding the Church in the prudent and productive investment of its funds, the Executive Board encourage the Investment Commission to make its recommendation regarding investment in common stocks directly to the 1950 convention."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 40. Financial Provision for Program of League of Young Adult Lutherans

(See VI, D, ii, 2, p. 316, of this report.)

### 41. Blanket Travel Accident Insurance for Secretarial Staff of U.L.C.A., Its Boards and Agencies

(See VI, C, vii, 3, p. 285, of this report.)

### 42. Blanket Public Liability Insurance for Automobile Accidents

(See VI, C, vii, 4, p. 288, of this report.)

### 43. Group Hospitalization for Executive Staff Members of U.L.C.A., Its Boards and Agencies

(See VI, C, vii, 5, p. 288, of this report.)

### 44. Permission Granted to Assistant to President to Sign Vouchers

(See I, 7, (j), p. 82, of this report.)

## IV. PENSIONS

### *1. Extension of "Special Pensions" for years 1952 and 1953. (For action, see pp. 872, 1056)

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"The 1948 Convention approved the proposal submitted by the Executive Board for extending the 'special pensions' plan for ministers for the years 1950 and 1951 (1948

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary reported as

"The Finance Committee Recommends that the Executive Board recommend to the 1950 Convention of the United Lutheran Church the following plan for extending the 'special pensions' for the years 1952 and 1953: (For action, see p. 872)

"'(I) For each of the years 1952 and 1953, increased pensions be granted on an ascending scale based on Apportionment receipts, as follows:

"'(A) Under the Non-Contributory Pension Plan, to be paid separately 1. for each minister or missionary who was on the pension roll prior to November 1, 1947 (Exclusive of pensioners under the Contributory Pension Plan), a "special pension" of $100 for each of said years in which Apportionment receipts of the U.L.C.A. reach $1,900,000 and an added "special pension" of $25 for each full $100,000 by which such receipts exceed that figure, bringing the amount of such "special pension" to $250 when Apportionment receipts reach $2,500,000, with the further proviso, that in case such receipts exceed $3,000,000, the amount of such "special pension" shall be $300.

2. for each widow entitled to pensions under the Non-contributory Pension Plan, for each of said years, the amount, if any, by which her non-contributory pension is less than 50 per cent of the aggregate pension to which her husband would have been entitled as his basic non-contributory pension ($300), plus any "special pension" under (I) 1. preceding, or any "grant" under (II) below.

"'(B) Under the Contributory Pension Plan, for each minister or missionary who is a pensioner thereunder and who enrolled in that plan prior to November 1, 1947, an "annual grant" for each of said years (under Section E, paragraph 1, of the Supplemental Pension Plan and in lieu of the "annual grant" therein provided) equal to the "special pension" provided in that year for those under the Non-contributory Pension Plan under item (I) 1. preceding.

"'(II) That due provisions be made in Part I of the U.L.C.A. Budget and in periodic allocations from Apportionment receipts to provide for the increased pension benefits herein outlined.'"

The Executive Board adopted the recommendation.

At the October 3, 1950 meeting of the Executive Board Dr. Otto K. Jensen, in accordance with the Executive Board's request, presented an analytical study concerning the extension of "Special Pensions" for the years 1952 and 1953.

As a result of Dr. Jensen's study and further consideration of this problem by the Executive Board the following resolution was adopted.

"Resolved to substitute the following item for that which now appears in (I) and (II) above.

"For each of the years 1952 and 1953, special pensions and annual grants be granted as follows:

"A. For each of said years, in which the apportionment receipts of the ULCA reach at least the total of Part I of the budget of that year, there shall be paid

1. For each minister or missionary who was on the pension roll prior to November 1, 1947 (exclusive of pensioners under the Contributory Pension Plan) a 'special pension' of $300 for each of said years. (Adopted. For action, see pp. 872, 1056)
2. For each widow entitled to a pension a 'special pension' of $100 for each of said years. (Adopted, see p. 1056)
3. For each minister or missionary, who is a pensioner in 1952 or 1953 under the Contributory Pension Plan, and who enrolled in that plan prior to November 1, 1947, an 'annual grant' for each of said years (under Section E, paragraph 1, of the Supplemental Pension Plan and in lieu of the 'annual grant' therein provided equal to the 'special pension' provided in that year for those under the Non-contributory Pension Plan under item 1, preceding. (Adopted, see p. 1056)

> "B. If the apportionment receipts of the ULCA do not reach at least the total of Part I of the budget, then the 'special pensions' as provided under (A) 1 and 2, and the 'annual grant' as provided under (A) 3, shall be reduced by the same percentage, as the total apportionment receipts for such year fail to reach the total of Part I of the budget of that year." (Adopted, see p. 1056)

**2. Closing of U.L.C.A. Non-contributory Pension Plan**

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

*Closing of Non-contributory Pension Plan* (Minutes, Board of Pensions and Relief, May 5, 1950).

"The following resolution was approved by the Board of Pensions and Relief of The United Lutheran Church in America at its semi-annual meeting on Friday, May 5, 1950, and is submitted to the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America for its approval.

> " 'WHEREAS The United Lutheran Church in America has from its organization been mindful of the necessity of providing adequate pensions, and
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> " 'WHEREAS The United Lutheran Church in America has established the Contributory Pension Plan, membership in which for forty years will provide approximately one-half of the average salary of the member, and
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> " 'WHEREAS the Endowment Fund administered by the Board of Pensions and Relief of The United Lutheran Church in America provides as of the present only one-third of the amount necessary to pay the basic pension under the Non-contributory Pension Plan of $300.00 to pastors and $200.00 to widows, and
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> " 'WHEREAS an actuarial study of the increase in numbers of those eligible for pensions and their life expectancy indicates that our pension roll will increase yearly and that the amount needed for pensions under the Non-contributory Pension Plan will steadily increase so that by the year 1979 there will be over 1900 on the pension roll of the Non-contributory Pension Plan and the amount needed for the annual payment of the present basic pension under the Non-contributory Pension Plan will be in the neighborhood of $450,000 of which the general apportionment will have to provide $350,000.
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> " 'THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED
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> " '(1) that no minister received for the first time on the clerical roll of any constituent synod of The United Lutheran Church in America after the calendar year 1952 and no commissioned missionary received on the roll after the calendar year 1952 shall be eligible for the benefits of the Non-contributory Pension Plan of The United Lutheran Church in America, and
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> " '(2) in anticipation of the time many years in the future when the income from the Endowment Fund will be more than sufficient to pay the stipulated basic pension to eligible retired and disabled ministers, missionaries, widows and children under the Non-contributory Pension Plan, The United Lutheran Church in America declares its intention that such surplus future income be used to increase the pensions of members receiving the lowest benefits from the Contributory Pension Plan.' "

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS

"1. that the Executive Board inform the Board of Pensions and Relief that only a convention has the power to approve the proposed resolution;

"2. that the Executive Board concur in recommending the proposed resolution to the United Lutheran Church for adoption, with the following change in Item (1):

> For the words 'on the clerical roll of any constituent synod,' substitute the words 'on the combined clerical rolls of the constituent synods.' "

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

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### *3. Death Benefit Plan** of Board of Pensions and Relief. (For action, see pp. 1019, 1055, 1066)

*(a) Developments to June, 1950*

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"The following resolution was approved by the Board of Pensions and Relief of The United Lutheran Church in America at its semi-annual meeting on Friday, May 5, 1950, and is submitted to the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church for its approval.

> " 'WHEREAS there has been an insistent and growing demand particularly from the younger active members of the Contributory Pension Plan that The Board of Pensions and Relief of The United Lutheran Church in America prepare a death benefit plan on a group basis by which protection is offered for the families of these members while they are in active service of the Church,
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> " 'THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED
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> " 'that the Board of Pensions and Relief of The United Lutheran Church in America deems it desirable and expedient to establish a death benefit plan on a group basis for active members of the Contributory Pension Plan (Note: "Active members" shall mean those members whose accounts are currently paid in full by December 31st of each and every calendar year. Those new members acquiring membership in the Contributory Pension Plan during a year can participate in the death benefit plan by paying the pro rata share to December 31st of the annual cost in addition to the required contributions under the Contributory Pension Plan) through a self-administered fund under the control of The Board of Pension and Relief under the direction of the Executive Secretary in direct consultation with the President of the Board and the consulting actuaries, the amount of death benefit to be not less than $3000 payable in the event of death prior to the end of the calendar year in which age 65 is attained, the death benefit plan to be self-sustaining, the cost of said benefit to be periodically determined by the Board, on the basis of actual experience, to be borne by the individual congregations or salary-paying organizations or, subject to the approval of the Board of Pensions and Relief, by these congregations and organizations and the participating members, or by the individual participating members alone, and
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> " '(1) that in order to initiate the death benefit plan at least 75 percent of the eligible active members of the Contributory Pension Plan shall agree to participate, and
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> " '(2) that the continued operation of the death benefit plan shall be contingent upon the maintenance of a membership of at least 75 percent of the eligible active members of the Contributory Pension Plan, and
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> " '(3) that the cost shall be paid annually in advance of January 1 of each and every year with the privilege of making payments in semi-annual installments in advance of January 1 and July 1, thirty days grace being allowed for any such payments, and
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> " '(4) that the initial annual cost shall be at the rate of $36.00 a year and the initial semi-annual cost shall be at the rate of $19.00 each six months, and
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> " '(5) that the Board of Pensions and Relief shall set up a Contingency Reserve Fund for the death benefit plan in the amount of $60,000, and
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> " '(6) that an actuarial review of the death benefit plan shall be made annually, and
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> " '(7) that the Board of Pensions and Relief hopes the Church will make participation in the death benefit plan mandatory after the calendar year 1952 for all new members enrolling under the Contributory Pension Plan so as to maintain the death benefit plan on a proper basis at the lowest possible cost.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS

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** Later called "Family Protection Plan."

"(1) that the Executive Board express its judgment to the Board of Pensions and Relief that only a convention has the power to approve the proposed resolution.

"(2) that the Executive Board defer action on concurrence in the resolution until the September meeting, and that the Board of Pensions and Relief be asked to secure and prepare information on the possibility of providing for full life coverage."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

(b) *The Certificate of Membership, and the Constitution of the Plan*

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"'(1) Certificate of Membership

"' Number ______________

"'CERTIFICATE OF MEMBERSHIP
"'FAMILY PROTECTION PLAN
OF
THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

"'issued by the undersigned Board by virtue of authority vested in it by The United Lutheran Church in America

"' ____________________________________________

(hereinafter referred to as Member), for and in consideration of the annual cost payments to the Family Protection Plan of said Church, Witnesseth That: The aforesaid Member, having been duly enrolled, is entitled to participate in the benefits provided by said Family Protection Plan in the manner and to the extent set forth and provided in the Constitution of said Plan, copy of which is printed on, and made a part of, this Certificate, subject, however, to any and all amendments to said Constitution, now or hereafter in force, and to all rules and regulations lawfully adopted by the undersigned Board for the administration of said Plan, which amendments, rules and regulations, as duly adopted shall be and become a part of this Certificate fully and to the same effect as though set forth in full hereon.

"'By accepting this Certificate, the Member agrees to be bound by its terms and conditions as hereinabove set forth.

"'IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Board has caused this Certificate of Membership in the aforesaid Family Protection Plan to be duly executed, and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed, duly attested, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, this day of , 19 .

"'THE BOARD OF PENSIONS AND RELIEF OF THE UNITED
LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

(Incorporated under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania)

"' ____________________________________
President

"'Attest:

"' ____________________________________
Secretary

"'Constitution of Family Protection Plan

"'CONSTITUTION
OF THE
FAMILY PROTECTION PLAN
OF
THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

*Purpose*

"'The purpose of the Family Protection Plan is to provide protection to the families of eligible active (non-pensioner) members of the Contributory Pension Plan of The United Lutheran Church in America, additional to the benefits provided under the Contributory Pension Plan of The United Lutheran Church in America.

### *Effective Date*

" 'The effective date of the Family Protection Plan shall be January 1 of the year following the approval of the plan by a convention of The United Lutheran Church in America and the enrollment under the plan of a membership of at least 75% of the eligibles under the age of 60.

### *Eligibility*

" 'All active (non-pensioner) members of the Contributory Pension Plan of The United Lutheran Church in America, whose accounts under the contributory Pension Plan are currently paid in full to December 31 of each year prior to the effective date, shall be eligible for participation in the Family Protection Plan as of the effective date of the Plan.

" 'Those who acquire membership in the Contributory Pension Plan after the effective date of the Family Protection Plan may participate in the Family Protection Plan by paying the pro rata share from the date of eligibility to December 31 of the annual cost in addition to the required contributions under the Contributory Pension Plan. The date of eligibility of each such member shall be the date of his membership in the Contributory Pension Plan.

" 'An eligible person who fails to acquire membership in the Family Protection Plan within ninety days after his date of eligibility may acquire such membership only upon presentation of evidence of good health satisfactory to The Board of Pensions and Relief of The United Lutheran Church in America.

### *Death Benefit*

" 'The benefit under the Family Protection Plan shall be payable to the person or persons entitled thereto in the event of the death of a participating member of the plan. The amount of the death benefit shall be as follows:

| *Age on birthday in the year of death* | *Amount of death benefits* |
|---|---|
| 60 or under | $3000.00 |
| 61 through 65 | 2000.00 |
| 66 through 70 | 1000.00 |
| 71 or over | 500.00 |

### *Cost*

" 'The Family Protection Plan shall be self-sustaining both as to the cost of the benefits and the administrative expenses and shall be administered on a group basis. The aggregate cost of the protection shall be determined periodically by The Board of Pensions and Relief of The United Lutheran Church in America, hereinafter referred to as the Pension Board, on the basis of the actual experience. Such cost shall be apportioned equally among the participating members of the plan.

" 'A participating member's share of the cost shall be borne by the congregation or other salary-paying organization of such member, except however, that such share of the cost may be borne jointly by the congregation or other salary-paying organization and the member, or by the member alone.

" 'The cost payments shall be due annually in advance, January 1 of each year but may be paid in semi-annual installments on January 1 and July 1 of each year. A grace period of thirty days shall be allowed during which period the protection of the member shall continue in force.

### *Individual Terminations of Membership*

" 'The protection of any member under the plan shall cease automatically upon the occurrence of any of the following events:

(1) the termination of the plan

(2) the cessation of cost payments on account of such member's protection hereunder

(3) the termination of such member's active (dues-paying) membership in the Contributory Pension Plan

(4) the failure to complete the required contributions by or on behalf of such member under the Contributory Pension Plan within thirty days following the end of the calendar year

(5) the entering of such member upon a retirement or disability annuity under the Contributory Pension Plan.

" 'In the event of a termination of membership in a manner outlined above during a period of protection for which the cost has been paid, there shall be a refund of any unearned portion of the cost payment. However, in view of the fact that this protection is furnished on a year to year cost basis, there are no withdrawal equities payable at any time.

" 'Following a termination of membership as outlined under (2), (3), or (4), above, the protection of an eligible member may be resumed only upon presentation of evidence of good health satisfactory to the Pension Board.

### *Operation of the Plan*

" '(1) Administration

" '(a) The Family Protection Plan shall be operated and administered by the Pension Board in accordance with this plan and such rules and regulations in harmony therewith as said Pension Board shall from time to time adopt. The Pension Board's construction and interpretation of any provision of this plan or of such rules and regulations shall be binding on all parties, except that an appeal therefrom may be taken by any interested party to the Executive Board of the Church and its decision shall be final.

" '(b) The Pension Board may delegate its duties and powers in respect to the administration of the Family Protection Plan to its committees, officers and agents. The action or decision of any such committee, officer or agent, within the scope of the duties and powers so delegated, shall be deemed the action or decision of the Pension Board, but shall be subject to review by the Pension Board in disputed cases. The Pension Board's decision upon such review shall be final.

" '(2) Liability

" 'The funds and assets of the Family Protection Plan shall be and become liable to members and beneficiaries hereunder for the payment and discharge of their claims in the manner and to the extent provided above, but in no event shall any liability accrue against The United Lutheran Church in America for claims arising out of the establishment, maintenance, conduct and operation of the Family Protection Plan, nor shall the funds and assets of the Church, or of its boards or agencies, other than the funds and assets of the Family Protection Plan of the Pension Board, become subject to, or liable for, any such claim or other liability. No action shall ever be maintainable in any court of law or equity against the Church to enforce such asserted claim or liability.

" '(3) Investments

" 'All funds of the Family Protection Plan shall be invested only upon the approval of the Pension Board or of its Finance Committee. Every such investment shall be promptly reported to the Commission on Investments of the Church which shall promptly ratify or disapprove such investment. Any investment disapproved by the Commission on Investments shall be sold within a reasonable time after the communication of such disapproval to the Pension Board.

" '(4) Construction

" 'This plan and rules and regulations adopted hereunder, and the rights of members and beneficiaries of the Family Protection Plan shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

*" 'Amendments*

" 'This plan may be amended by the Church in convention or by joint action of the Executive Board and the Pension Board. Any such amendment shall be effective as of January 1 after the date of its adoption.

*" 'General Provisions*

" '(1) Individual Certificates

" 'The Pension Board will issue to each member whose life is protected under this plan an individual Certificate of Membership.

" '(2) Assignment

" 'No assignment by any member of any protection under this plan shall be valid.

" '(3) Beneficiary

" 'The beneficiary shall be the person or persons, having an insurable interest in the life of the member, designated by the member in writing, such designation to be filed with the Pension Board. Any member may from time to time, while protected hereunder, change the beneficiary by filing a written request with the Pension Board, but such change shall take effect only upon the receipt of the request for change at the office of the Pension Board.

" 'Any death benefit for which there is no beneficiary designated by the member or no such beneficiary surviving at the death of the member will be payable in a single sum to the first surviving class of the following classes of successive preference beneficiaries: the member's (a) widow or widower; (b) surviving children; (c) surviving parents; (d) surviving brothers and sisters; (e) executors or administrators. Under (b), (c) and (d) the benefit payable shall be on a share and share alike basis.

" 'In the absence of the appointment of a legal guardian the death benefit payable to any minor may be paid at a rate not exceeding $50 per month to such adult or adults as have in the opinion of the Pension Board assumed the custody and principal support of such minor.

" '(4) Termination of Plan

" 'The continued operation of the Family Protection Plan shall be contingent upon the maintenance of a membership of at least 75% of the eligible active (non-pensioner) members of the Contributory Pension Plan under the age of 60. If at the end of any calendar year the membership of the Family Protection Plan falls below the required 75% of the eligibles under the age of 60, the plan shall automatically be terminated as of the end of such calendar year.'

"Since our last meeting at which the Executive Board deferred action on the proposed 'Death Benefit Plan,' the Board of Pensions and Relief has modified its proposal and now places before us the 'Family Protection Plan' given above.

"Following discussion with members of the Board of Pensions and Relief, during which the question of a full life coverage raised by the Executive Board at its last meeting was fully dealt with, the Committee on Boards and Committees has reached the conclusion that the 'Family Protection Plan' herewith presented is worthy of support and therefore

"RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board concur in recommending to the 1950 Convention the proposed 'Family Protection Plan,' which the Board of Pensions and Relief is now submitting to the Church."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 4. Amendment of By-Laws of the Board of Pensions and Relief

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"Page 4 of the Minutes of the Board of Pensions and Relief, May 5, 1950 contains the following paragraph:

> "'Mr. Sardeson moved that in response to the resolution of the Investment Commission, the By-Laws of the Contributory Pension Plan be amended to include common stocks as permissible investments. The motion was seconded by Mr. Rinkliff and adopted.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees Recommends

"(1) that action be deferred until the September 1950 meeting; and

"(2) that the Executive Bard express the hope that the Board of Pensions and Relief will accept the proffered counsel of the Investment Commission regarding the advisability and proper formulation of such an amendment."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

## V. SYNODS

## A. IN GENERAL

### 1. Review by Executive Board of Amendments to the Constitutions or Organic Laws of Constituent Synods

*(a) The Method of Review*

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Constituent Synods presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Philadelphia (1948) convention of the United Lutheran Church lays upon the Executive Board the duty of reviewing proposed amendments to the 'constitutions or organic laws' of the constituent synods, in these words (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 650-651):

> "'It shall be the responsibility of the Executive Board to review amendments to the constitutions or organic laws of constituent synods.'

"In order that the Executive Board may fulfill this responsibility promptly and effectively, the Committee on Constituent Synods offers for adoption by the Executive Board the *method of review* described below:

> *Method of Review*
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> "(*a*) When a synod is about to revise its constitution, or to write a new constitution, it shall, *before final adoption,* submit through its president the revised or new constitution to the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church for its review and opinion." (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 650, 652.)
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> "(*b*) Whenever proposed amendments to synodical constitutions are in substantial conformity with the model constitution for synods or with principles or statements of polity previously agreed to by the Executive Board in its earlier dealings with other similar issues, the Committee on Constituent Synods shall have the authority to approve all such amendments in the name of the Executive Board. It shall report later merely the fact of this approval in each instance.
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> "(*c*) Whenever proposed amendments to synodical constitutions are submitted to the Executive Board which in the judgment of the Committee on

Constituent Synods do not involve a change in basic principles or in polity, but concerning which no constitutional or polity statements have ever been given by the Church, the committee shall have the right to approve such amendments. A memorandum to this effect signed by all members of the Committee on Constituent Synods shall be sufficient to convey this approval to the synods affected.

"The committee shall further have the right to offer advice concerning constitutional changes of this non-basic character in the name of the Executive Board and to incorporate such advice in such a memorandum. The committee shall report later to the Executive Board the fact that it has given such approval and advice. Each memorandum of this character shall be filed officially as provided in point (*g*), below.

"*d*) Whenever amendments to synodical constitutions are proposed which involve basic principles or questions of polity on which the Executive Board has not previously expressed itself, the Committee on Constituent Synods shall defer a formal reply to the synod affected until after the next meeting of the Executive Board. The committee shall formulate and present to the Executive Board a general statement of each of the basic principles or questions of polity which appear in the proposed amendments (not the actual phraseology of the amendments themselves) and shall seek the judgment of the Executive Board. After that judgment has been expressed, the Committee on Constituent Synods shall embody and apply it in a memorandum to be formulated as provided for in the preceding paragraph.

"(*e*) Whenever amendments to synodical constitutions are proposed which, in the judgment of the Committee on Constituent Synods, may contravene Article VIII, 'Powers,' of the Constitution of the U.L.C.A., the committee shall present to the Executive Board the exact wording of all such proposed amendments. The Executive Board itself shall take formal action regarding such amendments in accordance with the following action of the 1948 convention:

> " 'Should the Executive Board be of the opinion that a proposed revision or amendment contravenes Article VIII of the Constitution of The United Lutheran Church in America, it shall, at least two months before action is to be taken on the proposed revision or amendment, inform the synod, through its president, specifically wherein the revision or amendment contravenes Article VIII of the said Constitution, advising the said synod how the purpose of the proposed revision or amendment, as near as may be, can be accomplished in accord with the said Article VIII.'

"(*f*) The notice from the president of a synod to the Executive Board, referred to in item (*f*) on page 650 of the 1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes shall be received by the secretary of the Church and reported by him to the Executive Board.

"(*g*) A file of all official memoranda to synods from the Committee on Constituent Synods which result from the foregoing actions shall be kept by the secretary of the Church and duplicates of all such memoranda shall be given to the president of the Church. The Committee on Constituent Synods shall have the constant responsibility of keeping these files current and complete.

"The Committee on Constituent Synods RECOMMENDS the adoption of this procedure."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

*(b) Constitutions and Organic Laws of Constituent Synods Reviewed*

January 27, 1949, *Memorandum #0*,* President E. E. Fischer, Ministerium of Pennsylvania.

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* This review was completed before the procedure for review of proposed amendments was fully in force. Consequently *Memorandum No. 0* was assigned to this action.

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Constituent Synods reported as follows:

"(*a*) An amendment dealing with 'reversionary clauses relative to the real property of congregations,' has been regularly proposed and conveyed to this Executive Board for approval. Your committee has examined the amendment and finds it to be in order and in harmony with the expressed wish of the United Lutheran Church. (1946 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 111)

"The Committee on Constituent Synods RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board approve the judgment of the committee."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"(*b*) An amendment to the constitution of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, relating to 'membership on boards' of the Ministerium, is in order, and

The Committee on Constituent Synods RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board approve the judgment of the committee.

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SYNODICAL CONSTITUTIONS REVIEWED ACCORDING TO NEW PROCEDURE

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Constituent Synods reported as follows:

"Since the last meeting of the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church held January 26-27, 1949, your Committee on Constituent Synods has reviewed proposed amendments and proposed constitutional revisions for a number of the constituent synods of The United Lutheran Church in America. In the case of some synods the proposed amendments have been in substantial conformity with the model constitution for synods and our memoranda to these have been phrased under category (*b*) of the Method of Review. Where suggestions have been made for improvement of proposed amendments, the memorandum has been submitted under category (*c*) of the Method of Review. Copies of all memoranda have been filed promptly with the president and secretary of The United Lutheran Church in America.

*"Memoranda Under Category (b)*

"January 29, 1949, *Memorandum #1*, President C. A. Linn, the Georgia-Alabama Synod
February 28, 1949, *Memorandum #2*, President Frederick R. Knubel, United Lutheran Synod of New York
February 28, 1949, *Memorandum #3*, see below
March 30, 1949, *Memorandum #4*, President George L. Search, Kansas Synod"

These memoranda were received as information.

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*(April 27, 1949, Memorandum No. 4-A, President George L. Search, Kansas Synod.)*

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Constituent Synods presented the following supplementary memorandum on proposed amendments to the constitution of the Kansas Synod. (*Memorandum 4-A.*)

"Although the Committee on Constituent Synods has sent a memorandum to the president of the Kansas Synod clearing four proposed amendments to the constitution of that synod, the committee now RECOMMENDS to the Executive Board the approval of this supplementary memorandum.

"In regard to the proposed amendment to Article Seven, Section II, Licentiates, the Committee on Constituent Synods would call the attention of the Kansas Synod to the fact that the 1938 Convention of the United Lutheran Church specifically pronounced against the practice of licensure when it adopted its significant statement on the 'Call to the Ministry.' This statement, finally adopted 'as a guide to the Church,' recommended the total discontinuance of the practice of licensure and called for an amendment to the Model Constitution for Constituent Synods eliminating all reference to licensure. In its comments upon suggested amendments to synodical constitutions prior to October 1946, this same counsel against licensure was given repeatedly and emphatically by the Executive Board on numerous occasions. We advise the Kansas Synod against the adoption of the proposed amendment."

The Executive Board took the following action: "Moved and carried that the Executive Board approve the supplementary memorandum."

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Constituent Synods reported additional Memoranda under Category (*b*):

"March 30, 1949, *Memorandum* #5, President George W. Schillinger, the Synod of West Virginia
March 30, 1949, *Memorandum* #6, President F. D. Boldt, Iowa Synod
March 30, 1949, *Memorandum* #7, President Paul Bishop, Synod of the Northwest
April 6, 1949, *Memorandum* #8, President John W. Eastlack, Rocky Mountain Synod
April 20, 1949, *Memorandum* #9, President J. Luther Mauney, Lutheran Synod of Virginia
April 20, 1949, *Memorandum* #10, President Harmon J. McGuire, Illinois Synod

*Memorandum Under Category (c)*

"March 18, 1949, *Memorandum* #3, President R. R. Belter, Wartburg Synod"

These memoranda were received as information.

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The sequence of memoranda issued by the Committee on Constituent Synods continues as follows:

April 27, 1949, *Memorandum* #11, President Lewis P. Speaker, Texas Synod

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Constituent Synods presented the following report and recommendation:

"President Lewis P. Speaker in a letter dated January 19, 1949 states that the Texas Synod at the convention held May 1948, adopted 'a proposed revised constitution. The adoption, however, was provisional on constitutional grounds. The final adoption will take place at the next convention which will be in Houston during the month of May.'

"The Committee on Constituent Synods has reviewed the proposed revision and makes the following observation: (*Memorandum No. 11.*)

"In Article VIII, paragraph 3 of the proposed revision, the statement is made 'no pastor shall be called to any parish or employed by synod without the approval of the president.'

"The Committee on Constituent Synods Recommends that the Executive Board advise that the phrase 'without consultation with the president' be substituted for the phrase 'without the approval of the president.' "

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"Apart from the observation just noted, the committee finds nothing in the proposed revision of the constitution, of the Texas Synod contrary to principle and sound polity."

This comment was received as information.

April 27, 1949 *Memorandum #12,* President J. H. Reble, Canada Synod

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Constituent Synods reported as follows:

"President J. H. Reble in a letter dated March 14, 1949, in which was enclosed a mimeographed revised constitution of the Canada Synod, states that the proposed revision will be submitted for final adoption to the 1949 convention.

"The Committee on Constituent Synods has reviewed the proposed revision and makes the following observations: (*Memorandum No. 12.*)

"1. Article VI and Article VII covering the work of the Executive Committee, the Home Mission Committee, the Committee on Ministerial Education, the Examining Committee have been transferred in the new proposed revision to the By-Laws. The statement concerning these committees belongs properly in the main body of the constitution where it is in the present constitution.

"2. Article IX, Section 2, Penalties, paragraph E, of the proposed revision defines deposition from the ministerial office in the following words: 'deposition shall mean the absolute expulsion and exclusion of the offender from the office and function of the ministry and the recall of his ordination certificate.' This quoted sentence is a new statement, and would appear unnecessary provided the full wording of Article VIII, Section I, Item 2, of the Model Constitution for Synods be used.

"Apart from the reservations just made the proposed revision of the constitution of the Synod of Canada does not contravene prinicple and polity." (*Memorandum No. 12.*)

This item was received as information.

October 8, 1949, *Memorandum #13,* Secretary E. Rudolph Walborn, Ohio Synod

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Constituent Synods reported as follows:

"The Synod of Ohio on May 3, 1949, received proposals for amending the constitution affecting Article Three, Section I, Paragraph 2 (page 4); Article Six, Section I, Paragraph 3 (page 9); and Article Six, Section I, Paragraph 2, sub-paragraph (*i*). The Committee on Constituent Synods will suggest to the synod that the word 'regular' be inserted before the word 'convention' of Article Six, Section I, Paragraph 2, sub-paragraph (*i*)."

"Apart from this one suggestion the Committee finds nothing contrary to principle or sound polity in the proposed amendments."

This item was received as information.

October 8, 1949, *Memorandum #14*, President C. A. Linn, Georgia-Alabama Synod

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Constituent Synods presented the following report:

"The Georgia-Alabama Synod at its 1949 meeting proposed a number of amendments to its constitution some of which represent entirely new material and other revisions. The committee has studied these proposals and will make the following suggestions to the Georgia-Alabama Synod:

"(1) Article One, Section III, Item 2. Suggest stopping the sentence at the semi-colon eliminating the rest which seems to perform a doubtful service.

(2) Article One, Section III, Item 4. Suggest omission of phrase 'and by-laws.'

(3) Article Six, Section III, Items 4 and 5. Since conferences rightly possess only the status of committees of synod, would suggest omission of references to conferences.

(4) Article Eight, Section I, Item 7. The wording of the proposed change is confusing. Would suggest the substitution, for the last clause in the suggested change, the sentence 'and in that case the Examining Committee shall make its recommendations to the Executive Committee.'

(5) Article Eight, Section I, Item 10. Should be continued in the constitution eliminating the phrase, 'when in the judgment of the president it is wise to do so' since this is clearly implied in common practice already." (*Memorandum No. 14.*)

This item was received as information.

December 5, 1949, *Memorandum No. 15*, President George W. Miley, Ohio Synod. This memorandum cancelled at instruction of Rev. G. Morris Smith, Chairman of the Executive Board Committee on Constituent Synods, December 27, 1949, because Memorandum No. 13 covers the desired review.

### PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SYNODICAL CONSTITUTIONS REVIEWED

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Constituent Synods presented the following report:

"The Committee on Constituent Synods wishes to report that since the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board it has reviewed proposed amendments to several synodical constitutions. Since these amendments are in substantial conformity with the model constitution for synods, memoranda according to category (b) of the Method of Review have been sent to proper synodical officers and copies have been promptly filed with the President and Secretary of the United Lutheran Church.

"The list follows:

"Dec. 5, 1949, *Memorandum #16*, Rev. Ernest S. Tonsing, Secretary, Kansas Synod
Dec. 5, 1949, *Memorandum #17*, Rev. Clarence M. Alexander, Secretary, Michigan
Dec. 6, 1949, *Memorandum #18*, Rev. George E. Little, Recording Secretary, Pittsburgh
Dec. 15, 1949, *Memorandum #19*, Rev. James P. Beasom, President, California Synod
Jan. 23, 1950, *Memorandum #20*, Rev. Paul E. Bishop, President, Northwest Synod
Jan. 24, 1950, *Memorandum #21*, Rev. Paul E. Bishop, President, Northwest Synod."

This item was received as information.

### PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ICELANDIC SYNOD'S CONSTITUTION REVIEWED

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Constituent Synods presented the following report:

"April 3, 1950, *Memorandum #22*, the Rev. B. A. Bjarnason, Secretary, Icelandic Synod"

"The committee on Constituent Synods wishes to report that since the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board it has reviewed the proposed amendments to the constitution of the Icelandic Synod. Since these amendments are in substantial conformity with the model constitution for synods, a memorandum according to category (*b*) of the Method of Review has been sent to the proper synodical officer and a copy of the same has been promptly filed with the president and secretary of the United Lutheran Church."

This item was received as information.

*(c) Proposed Amendments Not Submitted for Review*

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary reported as follows:

*Maryland Synod*

"To the best of our knowledge, the constitutional amendment, notice of which was properly given to the 1948 convention of the Synod of Maryland, (its Minutes, 1948, item 5, p. 84), and which was adopted at the May 23-25, 1949 convention of the synod of Maryland (its Minutes, 1949, Item II, pp. 38, 39) has not been officially submitted by that synod to the U.L.C.A. Executive Board for review in accordance with the action of the 1948 convention of the Church, (Minutes, pp. 650-651) and the procedures for such review described in the January 1949 Minutes of the Executive Board."

*Slovak-Zion Synod*

"To the best of our knowledge, the constitutional amendments, adopted at the June 21-22, 1949 convention of the Slovak-Zion Synod (its Minutes, pp. 70, 71) have not been officially submitted by that synod to the U.L.C.A. Executive Board for review in accordance with the action of the 1948 convention of the Church (Minutes, pp. 650-651) and the procedures for such review described in the January 1949 Minutes of the Executive Board."

*(d) Completed Revisions of Articles of Synodical Constitutions*

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary reported as follows:

"In accordance with the requirements of item (*f*) (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 650) and item (*f*) Executive Board synodical constitution review procedure, the secretary reports the following revisions of synodical constitutions as having been completed:

*Ministerium of Pennsylvania, Memorandum #0, Completed*

"The amendments to the constitution of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania which were reviewed by the Executive Board in January, 1949, were adopted by the 1949 convention of the synod." This review was completed before the procedure for review of proposed amendments was fully in force. Consequently Memorandum #0 was assigned to this action.

*Georgia-Alabama Synod, Memorandum #1, Completed*

"The amendments to the constitution of the Georgia-Alabama Synod which were reviewed by the Executive Board as reported in Memorandum #1 were adopted at the 1949 convention of the synod."

*New York Synod, Memorandum #2, Completed*

Completed action related to Memorandum #2 was reported to the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board in the item quoted below from the report of the secretary:

"On September 16, 1949 the president of the United Lutheran Synod of New York, the Rev. F. R. Knubel, certified to the secretary of the Church, in accordance with the action of the 1948 U.L.C.A. convention (Minutes, p. 651, (*f*) ) that at the 1949 convention of that synod, held June 13-16 in Buffalo, New York, Article seven, Section 2, paragraph 7 of the Constitution of Synod was amended by substituting the following for the whole paragraph:

> 'The Committee shall submit nominations for Missionary Superintendents to the Synod for election every five years. The Synod may make additional nominations from the floor. The Committee may suggest the salaries of such Superintendent or Superintendents to the Executive Committee.'

"This amendment was cleared by the Executive Board's Committee on Constituent Synods in Memorandum #2, February 28, 1949. The memorandum was reported to the Executive Board at its April 1949 meeting."

This item was received as information.

*Wartburg Synod, Memorandum #3, Completed*

"The constitution of the Wartburg Synod, in its completely revised form, having been cleared by Memorandum #3, was adopted by the 1949 convention of the synod."

*Kansas Synod, Memorandum #4, Completed*

"The amendments to the constitution of the Kansas Synod which were reviewed by the Executive Board as reported in Memorandum #4, were adopted by the 1949 convention of the synod. The Executive Board's counsel was not followed and the synod adopted the proposed amendment which provides for licensure."

*West Virginia Synod, Memorandum #5, Completed*

"The amendments to the constitution of the West Virginia Synod which were reviewed by the Executive Board as reported in Memorandum #5, were adopted by the 1949 convention of the synod."

*Iowa Synod, Memorandum #6, Completed*

"The amendments to the constitution of the Iowa Synod which were reviewed by the Executive Board as reported in Memorandum #6, were adopted by the 1949 convention of the synod."

*Synod of the Northwest, Memorandum #7, Completed*

This memorandum is related to Memorandum #21. No completion report was possible therefore in January 1950.

The part of the proposed amendment which Memorandum #7 counselled against, i. e. granting the financial secretary of the synod ex-officio the right to vote at the conventions of synod, was eliminated from the proposed amendment. Clearance of the revised proposal was reported to the Executive Board at the August 1949 meeting by the Committee on Constituent Synods as follows:

"The Synod of the Northwest at its convention May 17-19, 1949, proposed amendments to Paragraphs 1 and 5 of Article Six of the constitution and proposed amendment to the Articles of Incorporation of the Synod of the Northwest bringing said articles in line with the new proposed amendments." *

"The Committee on Constituent Synods studied these proposals and finds nothing contrary to principle or sound polity within them."

This item was received as information.

*Rocky Mountain, Memorandum #8, Completed*

"The amendments to the constitution of the Rocky Mountain Synod which were reviewed by the Executive Board as reported in Memorandum #8, were adopted by the 1949 convention of the synod."

*Virginia Synod, Memorandum #9 Completed*

The following comment in the January 1950 report of the secretary to the Executive Board has to do with actions taken before the January 1949 procedure for review of proposed amendments to synodical constitutions was fully in operation.

"The Virginia Synod at its February 1-4, 1949 convention amended Article VIII title of paragraph 67 and that paragraph itself; 'repealed' paragraph 96 of Article XI and numbered former paragraph 97 number 96; and amended Article XII, paragraph 97 sections (1) through (4). The completion of these amendments was reported to the secretary by President J. Luther Mauney on March 22, 1949."

*Illinois Synod, Memorandum #10, Completed*

"The amendments to the constitution of the Illinois Synod, which were reviewed by the Executive Board as reported in Memorandum #10, were adopted by the 1949 convention of the synod."

*Texas Synod, Memorandum #11, Completed*

"The new constitution of the Texas Synod, adopted at its 1949 convention (Minutes, pp. 53-65) was cleared by Memorandum #11. The Texas Synod did not, however, follow the suggestion made by the Executive Board concerning Article VIII, paragraph 3."

*Canada Synod, Memorandum #12, Completed*

"The constitution of the Canada Synod, in its completely revised form, having been approved by the Executive Board at its April, 1949 meeting was adopted by the 1949 convention of the synod."

All the items reported in V, A, 1, (*d*) above were received by the Executive Board as information.

### *2. Linguistic Policy of the U.L.C.A. in Relation to New Missions. (For action, see p. 873)

#### LINGUISTIC POLICY OF THE U.L.C.A. IN RELATION TO NEW MISSIONS

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Constituent Synods presented the following report and recommendations:

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* This clearance is fully stated in Memorandum #21, p. 184.

"One of the pending items of business which the Executive Board carried over into the new biennium is the resolution of the Kansas Synod regarding the establishment of future all English speaking mission congregations on its territory by the Midwest Synod. A closely parallel case arose almost simultaneously involving the Wartburg and Michigan Synods. What it needed is a formal statement of policy to govern such situations from now on.

"This newly enunciated principle must be based upon the 'linguistic policy of the United Lutheran Church' as it was prescribed by the 1920 convention (U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 90-92) and has never been altered.

"The Committee on Constituent Synods RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board call the attention of the synods to the linguistic policy of The United Lutheran Church in America as follows:

> "(*a*) Any linguistic synod, which extends over the territory of other synods and whose continued separate life is justified by its linguistic character, clearly possesses the right to organize mission congregations of this same linguistic character.
>
> "(*b*) On the other hand such linguistic synods extending over the territory of other synods are not free to organize missions which use the English language exclusively without the explicit consent of the other synod on whose territory the proposed new mission congregation is to be established."

The recommendation of the committee was adopted by the Executive Board.

"The Committee on Constituent Synods RECOMMENDS, for approval by the Executive Board and for submission by this board to The United Lutheran Church in America at its 1950 convention for ratification, the following procedure to be used in such cases:

"(1) Upon application from the linguistic synod, the United Lutheran Church will apply to the proper regional home mission committee of the National Lutheran Council for permission to occupy the indicated field.

"(2) If the regional home mission committee assigns the field to the United Lutheran Church, the Board of American Missions will refer the field to the linguistic synod if the proposed new mission is to share its bi-lingual character.

"(3) If after assignment of a field to the U.L.C.A. by the regional home mission committee, a linguistic synod wishes to establish a mission congregation using the English language exclusively, it shall indicate its desire to the board of American Missions and it shall transmit through the officers of the U.L.C.A. an official request to the other synod on whose territory the site of the proposed new mission is to be located.

"(4) Only after the latter synod gives its formal consent shall a linguistic synod with or without the aid of the Board of American Missions undertake the establishment of the proposed new congregation."

The recommendation of the committee was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Constituent Synods recommended certain changes in the above statement of policy as follows:

"The Committee on Constituent Synods RECOMMENDS for approval by the Executive Board and for submission by this board to The United Lutheran Church in America at its 1950 Convention for ratification paragraphs (*a*) and (*b*), January 1949, Minutes of the Executive Board reading as follows:

> "(*a*) Any linguistic synod, which extends over the territory of other synods and whose continued separate life is justified by its linguistic character,

> clearly possesses the right to organize mission congregations of the same linguistic character.
>
> "(*b*) On the other hand such linguistic synods extending over the territory of other synods are not free to organize missions which use the English language primarily without the explicit consent of the other synod on whose territory the proposed new mission congregation is to be established."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"Your Committee on Constituent Synods Recommends the amendment of paragraph 3, page 55, January 26-27, 1949 Minutes of the Executive Board so that paragraph 3 will read as follows:

> "(3) If after assignment of a field to the U.L.C.A. by the regional home mission committee, a linguistic synod wishes to establish a mission congregation using the English language primarily, it shall indicate its desire to the Board of American Missions and shall transmit through the officers of the U.L.C.A. an official request to the other synod on whose territory the site of the proposed new mission is to be located."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 3. Appeal of Wartburg Synod to Commission of Adjudication Concerning Linguistic Policy of the U.L.C.A. in Relation to New Missions

(See V, B, 39, p. 206, of this report. For related actions see p. 873. For report of Commission of Adjudication on this item, see p. 976)

### 4. Biennial Conference of Synodical Presidents

#### *(a) Authorization of 1949 Conference*

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the president offered and the Board adopted the following recommendation:

"For the past several biennia, meetings of the Conference of Synodical Presidents have occurred during March of the odd-numbered years. On the whole the timing of them has proved to be effective and desirable. The president Recommends that he be empowered to call the Conference of Synodical Presidents into session on March 16th and 17th, 1949 at Buck Hill Falls, Pennsylvania."

#### *(b) Program*

At the April 1949 meeting the officers reported as follows on the program and the findings of the biennial Conference of Synodical Presidents:

"In accordance with the above empowering action of the Executive Board the president called the biennial Conference of Synodical Presidents into session on March 16 and 17, 1949 at Buck Hill Falls, Pennsylvania.

"Wednesday morning, March 16. 9 to 12 o'clock

1. Devotions—President H. J. McGuire, Illinois Synod
2. General statements concerning the conference, purpose, procedure, etc.—President Franklin Clark Fry
3. THE CURRENT EVANGELISM EFFORT
   Presentation: Rev. R. E. Lesher
   Discussion leaders:
      President H. R. Shepfer, Pittsburgh Synod
      President J. F. Fife, Maryland Synod

4. *Statements:*
    - a) New procedure for clearing amendments to synodical constitutions—President Franklin Clark Fry
    - b) Bonding of congregational treasurers—President F. R. Knubel, New York Synod

5. *Discussion topics:*
    - a) The function of the synodical president in calling pastors in normal situations—

        Discussion leaders:

            President E. E. Fischer, Pennsylvania Minis.
            President L. J. Wolff, Midwest Synod
            President J. L. Bergbusch, Western Canada Synod

    - b) The biennial convention of The United Lutheran Church in America—improvement of facilities, procedures, etc.

        Discussion leaders:

            President C. A. Linn, Georgia-Alabama Synod
            President L. H. Steinhoff, Pacific Synod
            President G. L. Search, Kansas Synod
            President M. F. Benko, Slovak Zion Synod

6. Closing prayer

"Wednesday afternoon, March 16. 2 to 5:30 o'clock

1. Devotions—President E. H. Fafnis, Icelandic Synod
2. RESETTLEMENT OF DISPLACED PERSONS

    Presentation: Rev. C. E. Krumbholz

3. *Statements:*
    - a) American Bible Society—Dr. F. H. Mann
    - b) Membership transfer and contact—Secretary F. Eppling Reinartz
4. *Discussion topics:*
    - a) Most beneficial use of the synodical president's Sundays—

        Discussion leaders:

            President V. R. Cromer, N. Carolina Synod
            President F. M. Hanes, Indiana Synod

    - b) What is the most important job of a synod—

        Discussion leaders:

            President D. F. Putman, Central Penna. Synod
            President K.W. Kinard, S. Carolina Synod
            President H. B. Leonard, Mississippi Synod

5. Closing prayer

"Wednesday evening, March 16. 8 to 11 o'clock

*Meeting with Stewardship Secretaries*

Dr. C. C. Stoughton, presiding

1. Devotions—"Evangelism and Stewardship"—Secretary F. Eppling Reinartz
2. Christian Higher Education Year—Rev. R. E. Tulloss

    Discussion

3. State of the Church—President Franklin Clark Fry

    Discussion

4. Report of Stewardship Conference Findings Committee

"Thursday morning, March 17. 9 to 12 o'clock

1. Devotions—President Vernon E. Kotter, Michigan Synod

2. Report of Findings Committee:

   President G. W. Miley, Chr., Ohio Synod
   Acting Pres. P. E. Bishop, Northwest Synod
   President A. M. Huffman, Kentucky-Tenn. Synod
   President G. W. Schillinger, West Virginia Synod
   President T. J. C. Schuldt, Nebraska Synod
   President L. A. Thomas, Florida Synod
   President C. H. Whitteker, Nova Scotia Synod

3. CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION YEAR

   The Plan in action—

   Presentation: Rev. R. E. Tulloss

4. *Statements:*

   a) Recent developments in Inter-Lutheran and Inter-denominational relationships—

      President Franklin Clark Fry

   b) Use of U.L.C.A. Investment Commission facilities by synods and institutions—

      Comptroller Carl A. Warden

5. *Discussion topics:*

   a) Commercial fund raising methods—

      Discussion leaders:

      President J. P. Beasom, Jr., California Synod
      President F. D. Boldt, Iowa Synod

   b) Expansion of synodical facilities such as hospitals, home for aged, camps, assembly grounds, etc.—

      Discussion leaders:

      President J. L. Mauney, Virginia Synod
      President L. P. Speaker, Texas Synod
      President J. W. Eastlack, Rocky Mountain Synod

6. Closing prayer

"Thursday afternoon, March 17. 1:30 to 3 o'clock

1. Prayer—President J. H. Reble, Canada Synod
2. Supplementary Report of Findings Committee and unfinished business
3. Quick questions and straight answers
4. Conference summary and closing devotions—

   President R. R. Belter, Wartburg Synod"

The Executive Board received the above report on the program as information.

*(c) Findings*

"The official action of the conference concerning its findings was:

> " 'The Committee on Findings RECOMMENDS that the Conference of Presidents submit its findings to the Executive Board with the understanding that the board will choose from them those items which commend themselves to it as requiring board action. Adopted.'

"Following are the report of the Conference's Findings Committee, its recommendation concerning its report, and responding actions recommended by the officers concerning certain findings:

" 'REPORT OF FINDINGS COMMITTEE

> " 'From the warm, hearty welcome accorded us by President Fry and his presentation of the intent and purpose of this Conference of Synodical Presidents to this closing day of it, we have experienced anew a sense of great responsibility and of greater joy in the Lord because of the work He has commissioned our synod and us to do.' "

This finding was received as information by the Executive Board.

### " 'THE CURRENT EVANGELISM EFFORT

> " 'By the adoption of the program of evangelism developed and successfully practiced for years in the United Lutheran Church, we believe the Lutheran Commission on Evangelism has begun its assignment wisely and well.
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> " 'We promise cooperation in carrying to a conclusion the steps recommended for our respective regions and areas.
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> " 'We express the conviction that to conserve the gains made, and to guard against a repetition of past failures in evangelism, our Board of Social Missions should be requested to prepare and offer leadership and help to our pastors and churches in establishing and maintaining an evangelism program in our every congregation.'

"In full appreciation of the efforts already made, the officers RECOMMEND that this finding be transmitted to the Board of Social Missions for its further encouragement."

This recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### " 'BONDING OF CONGREGATIONAL TREASURERS

> " 'Believing that our several executive boards will be much interested in the plan for the blanket bonding of congregational and auxiliary treasurers as adopted by the New York Synod, we recommend that the secretary of our Church make available to each synodical president a copy of the letters exhibited by Dr. Knubel in connection with his report on *'Bonding of Congregational Treasurers.'*

"With the help of the office of the United Lutheran Synod of New York it was possible to forward the desired letters to all synod presidents promptly after receiving the conference findings."

"The Executive Board received this finding as information.

### " 'RESETTLEMENT OF DISPLACED PERSONS

> " 'Following the address of Dr. Krumbholz on the resettlement of displaced persons, discussion revealed the fact that in certain areas of our Church the synods are completely by-passed by some boards and agencies of the Church as they inaugurate their work in those areas. We respectfully call this situation to the attention of the Executive Board.'

"What the officers think is a satisfactory solution to this problem is being reported to this meeting of the Executive Board by the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests."

The Executive Board received this finding as information.

### " 'AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

> " 'We believe the appeal of the American Bible Society for increased support as presented by Mr. Frank H. Mann may the better be met by way of the U.L.C.A. budget item for this cause. We recommend that this appeal be referred to the Executive Board.'

"Secretary Mann, in the name of the American Bible Society, requested the privilege of appealing directly to the congregations of the United Lutheran Church for contributions in addition to the amount they give through the budget of the U.L.C.A.

"The above finding indicates the conviction of the Conference of Synodical Presidents that the United Lutheran Church should make a more equitable contribution to the American Bible Society from the budget of the Church."

The Executive Board received this finding as information.

### " 'MEMBERSHIP TRANSFER AND CONTACT

> " 'We solicit from the Secretary of the Church suggestions as to how we may the better assist in the effort to follow through on the referral service maintained by his office.'

"This request came in response to a statement, by the secretary, on the plan of operation and needs of the U.L.C.A.'s Transfer and Contact Department. Efforts are currently being made to increase the effectiveness of this department. The letter to the synodical presidents asked them to:

> " '(1) Furnish us a map (2 copies if possible) showing the location of the congregations of your synod.
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> " '(2) Notify us promptly of the starting of new synodical missions, giving us the name and address of the missionary, so that we can begin referring names to him.
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> " '(3) Stress the importance of this service at the meetings of your conferences this spring, and lay it on the consciences of our pastors to report and contact promptly, members in the process of changing their residence.
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> " '(4) Forward to the proper U.L.C.A. or National Lutheran Council pastors the notices which we mail to you. In order to keep this service from becoming an undue burden to you, we ask for this help only when we have exhausted our own resources.
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> " '(5) Make reference from time to time in your synodical publication to this important ministry of conservation.
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> " '(6) Urge your synod's Evangelism Committee to keep this ministry before pastors and laymen through their report to synod, letters and evangelism addresses.' "

The Executive Board received this finding and the report on the contents of the secretary's letter as information.

### " 'TWO COMMENTS

> " 'Several of our presidents have expressed regret that the discussion on the subject of pastoral calls was not continued to a more satisfying conclusion.
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> " 'Others asked about the possibility of adding a day of retreat to our Presidents' Conference meeting.' "

The Executive Board received these two comments as information.

### " 'CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION YEAR

> " 'We register our approval of the plans advanced by the Directing Committee of Christian Higher Education Year for the 1950 campaign.
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> " 'We express appreciation that our synodical presidents may consult the regional director as to the synodical directing committee personnel in campaign directorship and its effective functioning in accomplishing the responsibility of the synod.' "

The Executive Board received the above expressions of approval and appreciation as information.

### " 'U.L.C.A. INVESTMENT COMMISSION FACILITIES

> " 'We request that Mr. Carl A. Warden, comptroller of the Church, communicate to each president of a synod information concerning the availability of the United Lutheran Church Investment Commission service.'

"On April 8, 1949 Comptroller Warden sent a letter to every synodical president giving him the desired information, and offering synods and their institutions the opportunity to avail themselves 'of this expert counsel.' "

The Executive Board received the above request, and the report of Comptroller Warden's response to it, as information.

" 'COMMITTEE ON PLACE OF THE NEXT CONVENTION

> " 'The synodical presidents expressed desire for a change in the personnel of the committee and in the method of selecting the place for the next U.L.C.A. convention. By common understanding and consent, a recommendation designed to meet the situation will be offered in connection with the 1950 Report of the Committee on Place for the Next Convention.' "

The Executive Board received this finding as information, with the understanding that it is to be transmitted to the chairman of the 1950 U.L.C.A. Convention's Committee on Place of next Convention.

"The report of the Findings Committee was submitted by the following members: Rev. R. R. Belter, Wartburg Synod; Rev. A. M. Huffman, Kentucky-Tennessee Synod; Rev. G. W. Schillinger, West Virginia Synod; Rev. T. J. C. Schuldt, Nebraska Synod; Rev. L. A. Thomas, Florida Synod; Rev. C. H. Whitteker, Nova Scotia Synod; Rev. George W. Miley, Ohio Synod, Chairman."

The Executive Board received the above item as information.

*(d) Program Item Suggested for 1951 Conference*

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the recommendation of the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships requesting the officers to include in the program of the 1951 Conference of Synodical Presidents a discussion of the interdenominational relationships of synods, and of congregations and ministers was adopted.

### 5. Hungarian Lutheran Conference Biennial Meeting Approved

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Hungarian Lutheran Conference has requested through its President, the Rev. Andor M. Leffler, the Executive Board's approval of its proposed biennial meeting to be held June 4-6, 1950 at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The last meeting of this conference was held June 1-3, 1948 at Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board give its approval to the proposed meeting of the Hungarian Lutheran Conference and requests that the President appoint a representative of the United Lutheran Church to attend its sessions."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the President presented the following report:

"The Assistant to the President, the Reverend George F. Harkins, was appointed to represent the United Lutheran Church at the sessions of the Hungarian Lutheran Conference (April 1950, Minutes, p. 773) which were held at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on June 4-6, 1950. Pastor Harkins reports: The first session of the Hungarian Conference was held as a part of the 25th anniversary of the organization of First Hungarian Church, Pittsburgh, Sunday evening, June 4th. The major items of discussions during the two remaining sessions included,

(1) the need for a continued and expanded ministry to the Hungarian Lutherans in America;

(2) the crippled condition of the Lutheran Church in Hungary;

(3) desire for a consultative relationship with the American-Hungarian Federation.

"Further information and a request regarding this last point can be expected by the Executive Board.

"The Rev. Andor M. Leffler continues as President."

This item was received as information.

### 6. Meeting of Finnish Conference Authorized

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"In recent letter to President Fry, the Rev. John J. Yrttimaa, the president of the Finnish Conference and pastor of St. Michaels Finnish Lutheran Church in Montreal, states that it is planned to hold a Finnish Conference in Kirkland Lake, Ontario, October 27-29, 1950 and asks authorization for the same.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board authorize the holding of the proposed Finnish Lutheran Conference and request that a report of the same be placed in the hands of the secretary of the Church."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 7. Apportionment to Synods, 1950 and 1951, with Revised Figures for 1951 for Ministerium of Pennsylvania, United Lutheran Synod of New York, Central Pennsylvania Synod and Figures for the New Jersey Synod

(See III, 32, p. 160.)

## V. SYNODS

## (Constituent and Associate)

## B. IN PARTICULAR

### 1. Special Board Representation at 1949 Meeting of the California Synod

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Constituent Synods presented the following report and recommendation:

"In connection with the coming meeting of the California Synod, a letter has come from the Rev. James P. Beasom, Jr., president of the California Synod, requesting the presence of the Rev. Gould Wickey at the meeting of the synod.

"The Committee on Constituent Synods RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board accede to this request."

The Executive Board adopted the recommendation.

### 2. Amendment to Constitution of California Synod

(See V, A, 1, (b), Memorandum #19, p. 184, of this report.)

### 3. Amendment to Constitution of Canada Synod

(See V, A, 1, (b) and (d), Memorandum #12, pp. 183-187, of this report.)

### 4. Review of New Item in 1950 Budget of Georgia-Alabama Synod

(See III, 8, p. 115, of this report.)

### 5. Amendments to Constitution of Georgia-Alabama Synod

(See V, A, 1 (b) and (d), Memorandum #1, pp. 181-185; Memorandum #14, 1 (b), p. 184, of this report.)

### 6. Query of Board of American Missions Concerning the Establishing of All-English Mission by Icelandic Synod

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Constituent Synods presented the following report and recommendation:

"Under date of June 1, 1949, Secretary Karl S. Henry of the Board of American Missions addressed the following memorandum to the president of the United Lutheran Church:

> " 'Cavalier, N. D., was surveyed some time ago by Pastor Marvin R. Moll for the Synod of the Northwest. This survey revealed that the majority of people are of Icelandic extraction. The synodical mission officers of the Northwest Synod have recommended that this field be assigned to the Icelandic Synod even though it appears that the work should be solely English.
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> " 'The Icelandic Synod is anxious to develop this field, and with this in mind a second vote (mail) was taken by the Regional Home Mission Committee during May 1949 approving the assignment of Cavalier to the U.L.C.A.
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> " 'Apparently everything is in order. Is it your judgment that the Icelandic Synod should request the Executive Board for assignment of this field, or in the light of procedures is it permissible to proceed?'

"In response to this memorandum the president of the United Lutheran Church replied in part as follows:

> " 'This is in reply to your memorandum of June 1 concerning the field in Cavalier, N. D. and its assignment to the Icelandic Synod for development. Inasmuch as the synodical mission officers of the Northwest Synod generously initiated the suggestion that this field be assigned to the Icelandic Synod, it is my judgment that the intent of the Executive Board's recent action requiring the approval of a territorial synod to the beginning of all English mission work by a linguistic synod has already been fulfilled in this instance.
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> " 'However, the Board of American Missions as the agent of The United Lutheran Church in America for the assignment of fields should take explicit action in the awarding of this area to the Icelandic Synod. Informal agreement either between synods or among the U.L.C.A. representatives on a regional home mission committee is not adequate.'

"The Committee on Constituent Synods points out that the reply of the president of the United Lutheran Church still leaves the way open to linguistic synods for the establishment of all-English congregations when a real need for such congregations has been demonstrated and the proper procedure in securing approval for the establishment of such congregations has been followed according to the action of the Executive Board January 1949.

"The Committee on Constituent Synods RECOMMENDS the approval of the above memorandum sent by the president of the United Lutheran Church on June 3, 1949, to the Board of American Missions."

The recommendation was adopted.

### 7. Amendment to Constitution of Icelandic Synod

(See V, A, 1, (b), Memorandum #22, p. 185, of this report.)

### 8. Amendment to Constitution of Illinois Synod

(See V, A, 1, (b) and (d), Memorandum #10, pp. 182, 187, of this report.)

### 9. Iowa Synod Counselled Not to Affiliate With Iowa Council of Lutheran Charities on Basis of That Council's 1949 Constitution

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report and recommendation:

"An official communication on October 14, 1949, from President Frederick D. Boldt of the Iowa Synod to Secretary Reinartz has conveyed the information to this board that the United Lutheran Synod in Iowa approved a relationship to the newly formed 'Iowa Council of Lutheran Charities' at the 1949 synodical convention. 'We believe, however,' President Boldt wrote, 'that approval of the relationship and the proposed constitution by the U.L.C.A. is also advisable.'

"In conformity with Article VIII, Section 1, of the constitution of the United Lutheran Church, the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests has undertaken an examination of the constitution of the Iowa Council of Lutheran Charities in behalf of this board. One serious difficulty has been discovered in the course of this study. This centers around the membership provisions in the Council's constitution.

"Article III, 1, of that instrument specifies that 'all Lutheran charitable, health and welfare agencies and institutions directly affiliated with a Lutheran synodical body or whose constitution requires that at least a majority of its board of directors shall be members of the Lutheran Church shall be eligible to membership.' A reader's first impression is that such agencies are to be members of the Council in a unique sense. However, a later provision in this same article contradicts this inference. Paragraph 3 permits 'each of the following Lutheran church groups (the names presumably to be inserted after affirmative action has been taken by one or more ecclesiastical bodies), and such other Lutheran Church groups serving churches in Iowa as may desire to affiliate with this Council' to designate one representative apiece to the Council. All representatives, from member agencies and from 'affiliated' Lutheran Church groups alike will be entitled to vote.

"In the judgment of the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, there is an apparent and undesirable confusion of thought behind these membership provisions. Although it is not distinctly stated that Lutheran welfare agencies and Lutheran ecclesiastical bodies in Iowa are equally to be members of the Iowa Council of Lutheran Charities, the implication is strong that such is to be the case. The constitutional provision granting to the representatives of synods, districts, conferences, etc., in Iowa the full right to vote in all meetings of the Iowa Council of Lutheran Charities seems to confirm this fact.

"Since The United Lutheran Church in America has consistently maintained the principle in all its inter-Lutheran relationships that the representatives of Churches should not be expected to participate in inter-church organizations on a parity with representatives of organizations which are less than Churches or with unrepresentative individuals, and

"Since the present structure of the Iowa Council of Lutheran Charities seems to involve such mixed membership,

"The Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board advise the United Lutheran Synod in Iowa not to affiliate with the Iowa Council of Lutheran Charities under the terms of its present constitution."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

**10. Review of New Item in 1950 Budget of Iowa Synod**

(See III, 8, b, p. 115, of this report.)

**11. Amendment to Constitution of Iowa Synod**

(See V, A, 1, (b) and (d), Memorandum #6, pp. 182, 186, of this report.)

**12. Relinquishment of Great Bend, Kansas, Field by Kansas Synod to Midwest Synod**

(See V, B, 19. (*b*), p. 201, of this report.)

**13. Proposed Merger of Midwest, Kansas, and Nebraska Synods**

(See V, B, 19. (*a*), p. 198, of this report.)

**14. Amendments to Constitution of Kansas Synod**

(See V, A, 1, (b) and (d), Memorandum #4, pp. 181-186; 1 (b), Memorandum #4a, p. 181; 1, (b), Memorandum #16, p. 184, of this report.)

**15. Maryland Synod items**

(*a*) *Resolution from the Maryland Synod on the Unification of Youth Work in the United Lutheran Church in America*

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Constituent Synods presented the following report:

"The following resolution has been reported by Secretary John C. Stuff of the Maryland Synod as an action taken by that synod at its convention held May 23-25, 1949:

> " 'That the Lutheran Synod of Maryland express itself to the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America as favoring action toward unification of youth work in The United Lutheran Church in America.'

"In response to the resolution of the Maryland Synod, the Committee on Constituent Synods Recommends that the Executive Board adopt the following as its considered judgment: in view of the action of the United Lutheran Church at the Philadelphia Convention in October, 1948, in regard to the unification of youth work, the Executive Board is of the opinion that it is inadvisable for this board to initiate a new study at this time."

The recommendation was adopted.

(b) *Request of Maryland Synod for Study of Possible Amendment to ULCA Constitution,* making it possible for certain officers to become ex-officio delegates to the biennial conventions of the Church.
See IX, 27, p. 565, of this report.)

**16. Amendment to Constitution of Maryland Synod Not Submitted for Review**

(See V, A, 1, (c), p. 185, of this report.)

**17. Review of New Item in 1950 Budget of Michigan Synod**

(See III, 8, (c), p. 116, of this report.)

**18. Amendment to Constitution of Michigan Synod**

(See V, A, 1, (b), Memorandum #17, p. 184, of this report.)

**19. Midwest Synod**

(*a*) *Proposed Merger of Midwest, Kansas, and Nebraska Synods*

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Constituent Synods presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Committee on Constituent Synods has received, through President Franklin C. Fry, the official communication from Secretary Hugo H. F. Welchert of the Midwest Synod, of a copy of the historic action of that synod pertaining to its desire for merger with the Nebraska and Kansas Synods. The action of the Midwest Synod at its 1949 convention was as follows:

> " 'That the Midwest Synod inform the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America of this synod's present inclination to consider seriously a future merger with the Nebraska and Kansas Synods, and further that this synod invite the Executive Board of the Church to begin an inquiry as to the feasibility and desirability of such a merger.'

"(a) The Committee on Constituent Synods Recommends that the Executive Board express its gratification over this action taken at the 1949 meeting of the Midwest Synod, and that it

"(b) Communicate this action to the Nebraska and Kansas Synods with the request that those synods join with the Executive Board and the Synod in the Midwest in exploring the feasibility and desirability of the suggested merger.

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Constituent Synods presented the following report:

"Secretary F. Eppling Reinartz has addressed duplicate letters to Presidents Reno R. Frobenius, of the Kansas Synod, Lorin J. Wolff, of the Midwest Synod, and Theodore J. C. Schuldt, of the Nebraska Synod acquainting each with the willingness of the Executive Board to assist in exploring the 'feasibility and desirability' of the merger suggested by the official resolution of the Midwest Synod at its 1949 convention, stating its 'present inclination to consider seriously a future merger with the Nebraska and Kansas synods.'

"The Committee on Constituent Synods is glad to report that in a letter of January 20, 1950 from President Theodore J. C. Schuldt of the Nebraska Synod he replies that this proposal will be submitted to the Executive Committee of the Nebraska Synod at an early meeting."

This item was received as information.

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Constituent Synods presented the following report and recommendations:

"Under date of February 11, 1950 Secretary Ernest Tonsing of the Kansas Synod informed President Franklin C. Fry of the action taken by the Executive Committee of the Kansas Synod on January 12, 1950 in Topeka, Kansas, in regard to the proposed conference respecting the possibility of a merger of the Kansas, Midwest, and Nebraska Synods as follows:

> " 'A letter was read from the U.L.C.A. Secretary F. E. Reinartz notifying Synod of a request of the Midwest Synod, that an inquiry into the feasibility of merger of that synod and the Kansas and Nebraska Synods be set up by the U.L.C.A. Executive Committee. The following motion carried: "That the Executive Committee of the Synod accept the invitation of the Executive Committee of the U.L.C.A., to take part in discussions with the Midwest and Nebraska Synods, with regard to the feasibility and possibility of a merger of the three synods, and that the Executive Committee of this Synod appoint a committee to take part in such discussion." The Committee was appointed as follows by motion:
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> President R. R. Frobenius,
> John Carr,
> Rev. G. R. Search,
> A. L. Swanson (Hays),
> Rev. G. R. Whittecar,
> Laurence Anderson (Wichita)

> " 'The president was given the right to appoint alternates.'

"On February 15 President Franklin C. Fry replied to Secretary Tonsing in the name of the Executive Board of the Church thanking him and the Executive Committee for their prompt affirmative action looking toward a meeting to consider a possible merger of the three synods.

"On February 15 President Franklin C. Fry sent a letter to the Presidents of the Nebraska and Midwest Synods acquainting them with the response of the Executive Committee of the Kansas Synod.

"On March 4, 1950 President Theodore J. C. Schuldt of the Nebraska Synod informed President Franklin C. Fry of the action of the Executive Committee of the Nebraska Synod in response to the proposed merger inquiry as follows:

> " 'The recommendation as stated in the minutes of our February 17 meeting reads as follows:
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> > " ' "that the Nebraska Synod express its gratification over the action taken at the 1949 meeting of the Midwest Synod and that we join with the Executive Board, U.L.C.A., and the Midwest and Kansas Synods in exploring the feasibility and desirability of the suggested merger." '

"The Committee on Constituent Synods Recommends that the Executive Board commend the Executive Committees of the Kansas and Nebraska Synods on their prompt acceptance of the invitation of Midwest Synod looking toward a joint inquiry into the feasibility and desirability of a merger of these three synods."

The Committee further Recommends that the President of the Church be requested to call a meeting as promptly as possible at which time the three synods may be represented through their chosen delegates for the discussion of this important matter. We are happy to report this gratifying progress.

The recommendations were adopted by the Executive Board.

### Exploration of feasibility and desirability of merger of Kansas, Midwest and Nebraska Synods

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the President presented the following report:

"In fulfillment of the will of the Executive Board, the President of the Church convened a joint meeting in Omaha on May 31 and June 1, 1950, of the appointed committees of the Kansas, Midwest and Nebraska Synods regarding a possible merger of these three synods. The President was elected Chairman of the joint intersynodical committee, with Pastor R. L. Jobman as Secretary. Twenty-two representatives of the three synods were present: seven from the Kansas Synod, seven from the Midwest Synod and eight from the Nebraska Synod.

"Prolonged, friendly and earnest discussion centered around these three pivotal questions on the agenda as prepared by the Chairman:

(1) Is some merger of synods in this area desirable?
(2) If so, how extensive should such a merger be geographically?
(3) Is a merger possible?

"A thorough canvass of the advantages and disadvantages of 'some merger of synods' led to a unanimous and convinced vote in the affirmative. Examination of the second and third questions had an equally beneficial result. It succeeded in locating amicably the very few practical problems of a serious nature that need to be solved. Only two major obstacles emerged in the conference.

"One grows out of the concern of the Kansas Synod that the merged synod might be so large geographically that the farflung, southern territory in the states of Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma and Arkansas might be neglected.

"The other arose from a difference of history and conviction regarding synodical membership of ministers belonging to secret societies. The representatives of the Midwest Synod expressed themselves in favor of the inclusion of an article in the constitution of the possible merged synod forbidding this practice.

"Numerous other points of supposed divergence of view were frankly examined and quickly disposed of to the gratification of all present.

"A second joint meeting of the 'merger committees' has been set for September 8 in Omaha. Meanwhile the delegation of the Kansas Synod has been asked to ascertain the readiness of its constituency to proceed with further negotiations looking toward a three-synod merger. During these same intervening weeks the delegation of the Midwest Synod is to discover whether its constituency will insist upon a constitutional provision of the type described above as a prior condition of any synodical merger or not."

This item was received as information.

*(b) Relinquishment of Great Bend, Kansas, field by Kansas Synod to Midwest Synod*

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Officers presented the following report:

"On October 14, 1949, President Lorin John Wolff of the Midwest Synod indicated to the Board of American Missions that synod's desire to establish at Great Bend, Kansas, a mission congregation using the English language primarily. On that same date, President Wolff transmitted through the Officers of the U.L.C.A. an official request to the Kansas Synod, on whose territory the site of the proposed new mission is to be located, for permission to establish it.

"On October 24, 1949 President Fry communicated the official request of the Midwest Synod to President Reno R. Frobenius of the Kansas Synod.

"On October 28, 1949, President Frobenius sent Dr. Fry official confirmation of the fact that the Kansas Synod had granted the Midwest Synod permission to begin the establishment of the mission congregation at Great Bend, Kansas. This confirmation was reported to President Wolff on November 1, 1949, by Dr. Fry.

"These actions are all in conformity with the requirements of the procedure to be followed in such cases as outlined in the minutes of the Executive Board. (January 1949, pp. 54 and 55, and April 1949, p. 211.)"

This item was received as information.

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the president presented the following report:

"On September 8, 1950, the president presided over a second joint meeting of the committees appointed by the Kansas, Midwest, and Nebraska Synods to explore the feasibility and desirability of the merger of the three synods. The joint committee has delegated its secretary, Pastor R. L. Jobman, with the aid and counsel of the President of the Church and the presidents of the three participating synods to prepare a full report of the committee's decisions and conclusions for submission to the synods concerned and to this Executive Board."

This report was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 20. Midwest Synod Advised Against Entering Into Membership in Nebraska Lutheran Welfare Council as Constituted

(See VII, E, 16, p. 413, of this report.)

### 21. Midwest Synod's Joining Nebraska Lutheran Social Service Approved

(See VII, E, 15, p. 412, of this report.)

### 22. Proposed Merger on Midwest, Kansas, and Nebraska Synods

(See V, B, 19. (a), p. 198, of this report.)

***23. New Jersey Synod.** (For action, see p. 22)

*(a) Progress in Organizing a New Jersey Synod*

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Constituent Synods presented the following report:

"For over thirty-five years Lutherans in New Jersey have talked of the desirability of organizing a New Jersey Synod. On December 12, 1947, representatives of the New Jersey Conference of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, the New Jersey District of the Central Pennsylvania Synod, and the New Jersey Conference of the United Synod of New York met in Philadelphia and took action looking toward the appointment of a joint Ways and Means Committee for the formation of a New Jersey Synod.

"The first meeting of the Ways and Means Committee was held in Trenton, New Jersey, on July 28, 1948. Since that time a number of meetings have followed, and on January 4, 1949, at Union City, New Jersey, a completed constitution and by-laws was adopted by the Ways and Means Committee for submission to the three synodical presidents.

"In carrying out the plan for organizing the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of New Jersey, the Ways and Means Committee have adopted the following time table:

"Constitution and Plan of Operation to be submitted to:
Synodical Presidents—February 1, 1949
Conferences and Districts—Spring, 1949
Synods—Annual Meetings 1949
U.L.C.A. Executive Board—Fall, 1949
Final dismissal of congregations by synods to the New Jersey Synod to be approved—annual meetings 1950
Provisional New Jersey Synod organized—September 1950
Acceptance by U.L.C.A. at Convention in October 1950
New Jersey Synod begins full operation under a budget—January 1, 1951"

This item was received as information.

*(b) Progress in Organizing the Synod*

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Constituent Synods presented the following report:

"The Ways and Means Committee of the proposed New Jersey Synod has been meeting periodically and has made commendable progress."

This item was received as information.

*(c) Procedure Till Synod is Fully Organized*

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Constituent Synods presented the following report:

"The Ministerium of Pennsylvania, the Central Pennsylvania Synod and the United Lutheran Synod of New York have adopted unanimously the series of resolutions concerning the proposed New Jersey Synod, as found in the minutes of the 1949 sessions of said synods. Their resolutions provide the modus operandi during the period of transition until the New Jersey Synod is fully established."

This item was received as information.

*(d) The Constitution and By-Laws*

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Constituent Synods presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Committee on Constituent Synods has received from the Rev. C. Donald Heft, secretary of the Ways and Means Committee of the proposed New Jersey Synod under date of September 2, 1949, a request for approval by the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America of the Constitution and By-Laws of the proposed New Jersey Synod.

"The communication from Secretary Heft states that 'the three predecessor synods at their recent conventions approved in principle the Constitution of the New Jersey Synod.'

"The Committee on Constituent Synods has received the Constitution and By-Laws of the proposed Evangelical Lutheran Synod of New Jersey, and finds the same to be in good form.

"The Committee on Constituent Synods therefore RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board express its willingness to approve said Constitution and By-Laws when they are presented along with the application of the proposed New Jersey Synod for admission as a constituent synod of The United Lutheran Church in America."

The recommendation was adopted.

*(e) By-Laws of Proposed Synod Not Included in Review*

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Constituent Synods presented the following report and recommendations:

"At its October 1949 meeting the Executive Board adopted the following:

> " 'The Committee on Constituent Synods therefore RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board express its willingness to approve said Constitution and By-Laws when they are presented along with the application of the proposed New Jersey Synod for admission as a constituent synod of The United Lutheran Church in America.'

"The Committee on Constituent Synods RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board express its judgment that its responsibility to approve the constitution of a synod applying for membership in The United Lutheran Church (Constitution, Article IV, Section 2) does not extend beyond the approval of the basic organic laws of the synod, and that the Executive Board's inclusion of 'and By-Laws' in its action of October 1949 was in error."

The recommendation was adopted.

"RECOMMENDED further that the words 'and By-Laws' in the October 1949 action of the Executive Board be deleted, and that the words 'they are' be stricken, and the words 'it is' be substituted."

The recommendation was adopted.

*(f) Application for Membership in The United Lutheran Church in America.* (For action, see p. 22)

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Constituent Synods presented the following report and recommendation:

"After many months of careful, guided preparation the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of New Jersey was formally organized in Trinity Lutheran Church, Trenton, New Jersey on June 20, 1950. On that day and the succeeding day all the necessary acts for constituting an Evangelical Lutheran synod were completed in an orderly and thorough way, including the adoption of a constitution and by-laws and the legal incorporation of the synod. One hundred and twenty-eight congregations were duly received into the New Jersey Synod by formal dismissal from the predecessor synods: 39 from the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, 70 from the United Lutheran Synod of New York and 19 from the Central Pennsylvania Synod. One hundred and twenty-eight pastors were likewise received as original members of the synod. President Fry presided at the organizing convention upon request.

"The following resolution formally applying for membership in The United Lutheran Church in America was adopted by the New Jersey Synod on June 21, 1950:

> " 'Resolved that this Synod accept the Constitution of The United Lutheran Church in America with its doctrinal basis as set forth in Article II in the said Constitution; And Further Be It Resolved that the application of this Synod to be received into The United Lutheran Church in America together with a copy of the Constitution and By-Laws of this Synod in the form in which it shall be adopted at this meeting of Synod, shall be made and presented to the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America for its approval; And Further Be It Resolved that the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of New Jersey of The United Lutheran Church in America, apply to The United Lutheran Church in America for formal admission and that this Synod declare its origin to date from June 20, 1950; And Further Be It Resolved that the President and Secretary of the Synod be and they are hereby authorized and directed to execute in the name of the Synod and present a written application to The United Lutheran Church in America to do such acts and things as may be necessary to carry out this resolution.
>
> " 'Edwin H. Knudten, President
> C. Donald Heft, Secretary' "

" 'June 21, 1950

"Copies of the constitution of the New Jersey Synod in its final form were mailed to members of the Excutive Board, also on June 21, and presumably all members have had an opportunity to examine this constitution and to verify for themselves its complete conformity with the polity and principles of The United Lutheran Church in America. A preliminary tentative approval of this document had previously been indicated by this board."

The Committee on Constituent Synods rejoices to Recommend that the Executive Board give final approval to the constitution of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of New Jersey, and further, that, in conformity with Article IV, Section 2 of the constitution of the U.L.C.A., the Executive Board recommend to the 1950 convention at its first session that the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of New Jersey be received into membership in The United Lutheran Church and that its elected delegates be seated in the 1950 convention.

The recommendation was adopted.

*(g) Budgets of the Synod*

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report:

"Budgets for the period July 1, 1950 to December 31, 1950 and for the calendar year 1951 have been received from the newly organized Evangelical Lutheran Synod of New Jersey.

"The Finance Committee has reviewed each of the items listed in the budgets and finds no reason to raise any questions concerning them."

This item was received as information.

*(h) Continued Services to Congregations in the Synod*

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Constituent Synods presented the following recommendation:

"The Committee on Constituent Synods RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board inform all the boards, agencies and auxiliaries of The United Lutheran Church in America that it will be proper for them to continue to aid and serve the pastors and congregations now belonging to the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of New Jersey in view of the application of the New Jersey Synod for membership in the U.L.C.A.; and further that all boards, agencies and auxiliaries of the United Lutheran Church be authorized in the interim between the organization of the new synod and its admission into The United Lutheran Church to have dealings with the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of New Jersey as if it were already a constituent synod of the United Lutheran Church."

The recommendation was adopted.

### 24. Review of New Items in 1950 and in 1951 Budget of United Lutheran Synod of New York

(See III, 8, d, p. 116, of this report.)

### 25. Amendment to Constitution of New York Synod

(See V, A, 1, (b) and (d), Memorandum #2, pp. 181, 186 of this report.)

### 26. Review of New Items in 1950 Budget of Northwest Synod

(See III, 8, e, p. 117, of this report.)

### 27. Query of Board of American Missions Concerning Establishment of an all-English Mission by Icelandic Synod at Cavalier, North Dakota. Northwest Synod Officers Recommend Field Be Assigned to Icelandic Synod

(See V, B, 6, Icelandic Synod, p. 196, of this report.)

### 28. Amendments to Constitution of Northwest Synod

(See V, A, 1, (b) and (d), Memorandum #7, pp. 182-186; 1, (b), Memorandum #20, p. 184; 1, (b), Memorandum #21, p. 184, of this report.)

### 29. Review of New Item in Budget of Ohio Synod (Group Hospitalization)

(See III, 8, f, p. 117, of this report.)

### 30. Amendments to Constitution of Ohio Synod

(See V, A, 1, (b), Memorandum #13, p. 184; 1, (b), Memorandum #15, p. 184, of this report.)

### 31. Actions of Pacific Synod

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Constituent Synods presented the following report and recommendation:

"Secrtary W. I. Eck of the Pacific Synod transmits the following resolutions adopted by that synod at a meeting held in Longview, Washington, November 29, 1948, as follows:

> "'(a) *Decision to cooperate with synod of California in founding a theological seminary on Pacific Coast.*
>
> "'RESOLVED, That the Pacific Synod in special session at Longview, Washington, November 29, 1948 expresses a willingness to cooperate with the Synod of California of The United Lutheran Church in America in the founding of a theological seminary to be known as "The Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary" to be located at Berkeley, California. The founding of said

> seminary is to be subject to the approval of the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America, the Board of Education of said Church, and the ratification of the constitution of said seminary by the synods concerned.'

"The Committee on Constituent Synods RECOMMENDS that action on the resolution be deferred until the Board of Education has taken the initiative in behalf of the United Lutheran Church, since the Board of Education is charged with such responsibility in the field of theological education."

The recommendation was adopted.

### 32. Amendment to Constitution of Pennsylvania Ministerium

(See, V, A, 1, (b) and (d), Memorandum #0, pp. 180-185, of this report.)

### 33. Amendment to Constitution of Pittsburgh Synod

(See V, A, 1, (b), Memorandum #18, p. 184, of this report.)

### 34. Amendment to Constitution of Rocky Mountain Synod

(See V, A, 1, (b) and (d), Memorandum #8, pp. 182, 187, of this report.)

### 35. Amendment to Constitution of Slovak Zion Synod Not Submitted for Review

(See V, A, 1, (c), p. 185, of this report.)

### 36. Review of New Item in Budget of South Carolina Synod

(See III, 8, g, p. 119, of this report.)

### 37. Amendment to Constitution of Texas Synod

(See V, A, 1, (b) and (d), Memorandum #11, pp. 182, 187, of this report.)

### 38. Amendment to Constitution of Virginia Synod

(See V, A, 1, (b) and (d), Memorandum #9, pp. 182, 187, of this report.)

### 39. Concerning Linguistic Synod Policy of U.L.C.A. in Relation to Founding New Missions

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the president reported as follows:

"Under date of May 20, 1950, President P. W. H. Frederick of the Commission of Adjudication of the United Lutheran Church formally notifies the Executive Board that the Wartburg Synod has appealed to the Commission of Adjudication for a ruling regarding the constitutionality of the action of this Board defining the procedure to be followed when a linguistic synod desires to establish missions using the English language primarily. (Executive Board Minutes, January 1949, pp. 54-55; April, 1949, pp. 210-11.)

"No prior notification of this appeal has come directly from the Wartburg Synod. However, acting in behalf of the clerk of the Commission of Adjudication, the Hon. George H. Baldwin, President Frederick enclosed with his official notice a copy of the appeal of the Wartburg Synod as it was addressed to the Commission of Adjudication on September 14, 1949. This communication reads as follows:

> " 'Commission of Adjudication,
> The United Lutheran Church in America.
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> " 'Reverend Sirs:
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> " 'The Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America adopted the following statement of policy at its regular meeting, held at the Church House on January 26 and 27, 1949:

" '*Linguistic policy of the U.L.C.A. in relation to new missions.*

" 'One of the pending items of business which the Executive Board carried over into the new biennium is the resolution of the Kansas Synod (Executive Board Minutes, September 22, 1948, page 689) regarding the establishment of future all-English speaking mission congregations on its territory by the Midwest Synod. A closely parallel case arose almost simultaneously involving the Wartburg and Michigan Synods. What is needed is a formal statement of policy to govern such situations from now on.

" 'This newly enunciated principle must be based upon the "linguistic policy of the United Lutheran Church" as it was prescribed by the 1920 convention, pages 90-92, and has never been altered.

" 'The Committee on Constituent Synods RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board call the attention of the synods to the linguistic policy of The United Lutheran Church in America as follows:

" 'a) Any linguistic synod, which extends over the territory of other synods and whose continued separate life is justified by its linguistic character, clearly possesses the right to organize mission congregations of this same linguistic character.

" 'b) On the other hand such linguistic synods extending over the territory of other synods are not free to organize missions which use the English language exclusively without the explicit consent of the other synod on whose territory the proposed new mission congregation is to be established.

" 'Adopted.

" 'The Committee on Constituent synods RECOMMENDS, for approval by the Executive Board and for submission by this Board to The United Lutheran Church in America at its 1950 convention for ratification, the following procedure to be used in such cases:

" '1) Upon application from the linguistic synod, The United Lutheran Church will apply to the proper regional Home mission council of the National Lutheran Council for permission to occupy the indicated field.

" '2) If the regional home mission council assigns the field to The United Lutheran Church, the Board of American Missions will refer the field to the linguistic synod if the proposed new mission is to share its bi-lingual character.

" '3) If after assignment of a field to the U.L.C.A. by the regional home mission council, a linguistic synod wishes to establish a mission congregation using the English language exclusively, it shall indicate its desire to the Board of American Missions and it shall transmit through the officers of the U.L.C.A. an official request to the other synod on whose territory the site of the proposed new mission is to be located.

" '4) Only after the latter synod gives its formal consent shall a linguistic synod with or without the aid of the Board of American Missions undertake the establishment of the proposed new congregation.

" 'Adopted.

" '(For the preceding statement of policy see the mimeographed Minutes of the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church, January 1949, pages 54-55.) (For additional information refer to the mimeographed minutes of the Executive Board, April 1949, pages 210-11.)

" 'With reference to the above action of the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America, the Wartburg Synod of The United Lutheran Church in America, in convention assembled, at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Haysville, Jasper, Indiana, June 14-16, 1949, adopted the following resolution:

" ' "Resolved; that the Wartburg Synod instruct the Executive Board of the Wartburg Synod to prepare the proper resolutions to the Commission of Adjudication of The United Lutheran Church in America to test the statement of the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church

> in America of January 26-27, 1949, entitled: 'Linguistic Policy of the United Lutheran Church in America in relation to its new missions.'"'
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> "Pursuant to said resolution of the Wartburg Synod of the United Lutheran Church in America, the Executive Board of said Synod respectfully submits the following questions to the Commission of Adjudication of The United Lutheran Church in America:
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> "(1) Can the Executive Board, or even the Church in Convention assembled, distinguish between constituent synods of The United Lutheran Church in America:
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> "2) What is the constitutional basis for the actions of the Executive Board, not only in enunciation of the so-called 'Linguistic policy of the U.L.C.A. in relation to new missions,' but in seeking to implement such a policy by a submission to, and verification by the Church at its 1950 Convention?
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> "'3) Will such an action of the Church, through the Executive Board, have an effect in the matter of Lutheran unity?
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> "'RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
> "'The Executive Board of the Wartburg Synod,
> United Lutheran Church in America
> "'Signed: R. R. Belter, President
> William W. Roth, Secretary.'"

"Attention is called to the fact that the action of the Executive Board as quoted in the appeal of the Wartburg Synod was modified at the April, 1949 meeting of the Board.

"The President rules that all action based on the above cited definition of the linguistic policy of The United Lutheran Church in America in relation to new missions is hereby suspended until the final decision of the Commission of Adjudication concerning this issue has been announced."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

(For action, see p. 873. For report of Commission of Adjudication on this item, see p. 926.)

**40. For Full Statement of U.L.C.A. Linguistic Synod Policy in Relation to New Missions**

(See V, A, 2, p. 187, of this report.)

**41. Amendment to Constitution of Wartburg Synod**

(See V, A, 1, (b) and (d), Memorandum #3, pp. 182, 186, of this report.)

**42. Amendment to Constitution of West Virginia Synod**

(See V, A, 1, (b) and (d), Memorandum #5, pp. 182, 186, of this report.)

*43. **Review of Executive Board of Amendments to Constitutions of Associate Synods**

(See p. 603)

*(a) Evangelical Lutheran Church in Liberia*

(1) Amendments Sent to Evangelical Lutheran Church in Liberia

At the January, 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Constituent Synods reported as follows:

"The Executive Board made a suggestion for two changes in the proposed constitution of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Liberia at its meeting on September 22, 1948, as follows:

> "'Your Committee on Constituent Synods RECOMMENDS provisional approval of the Constitution of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Liberia, with the condition that ARTICLE XIII on "dissolution" be eliminated, and that the phraseology of ARTICLE IX, Section 4, be revised so as to make clear that the president and treasurer are to act only as agents of The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Liberia in making investment of funds.'

"Both changes have now been approved by the Executive Committee of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Liberia according to a letter sent to the President of the Church dated January 25, 1949, by the Rev. Fred J. Fiedler, secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, which contained the following information:

> "'Action of the Executive Committee of The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Liberia, December 6, 1948.
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> "'VOTED: That the Constitution be amended according to suggestion from the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America as follows:
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> "'ARTICLE IX—PROPERTY Section 4 is changed to read as follows:
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> "'Section 4. The investment of funds belonging to this body shall be made by the president and the treasurer as agents of this body, such investments to be made, changed or transferred only upon order of the Executive Committee.
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> "'ARTICLE XIII—Dissolution—Deleted.'

"The Committee on Constituent Synods RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board express approval of the proposed amendments with the understanding that they will now be presented to the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Liberia for ratification."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

(2) Amendments to Constitution of Evangelical Lutheran Church in Liberia Ratified by that Church as Recommended by 1948 Convention of U.L.C.A.

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Constituent Synods presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Committee on Constituent Synods presents the following statement regarding the constitution of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Liberia and RECOMMENDS that it be included in the report of the Executive Board to the 1950 convention of the U.L.C.A.

"Report has already been made to this Board in January 1949 (Minutes, p. 57) that the Executive Committee of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Liberia had approved the two amendments to the constitution of that Church which had been recommended to it by the 1948 convention of The United Lutheran Church in America. This approval was given by the Executive Committee of the Liberia Church on December 6, 1948.

"At its January, 1949 meeting the Executive Board of the U.L.C.A. expressed approval of the proposed amendments in the form in which they had been adopted by the Executive Committee of the Liberia Church 'with the understanding that they will now be presented to the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Liberia for ratificaion.'

"The following is an excerpt from the Minutes of the Executive Committee of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Liberia, April 29, 1950:

> "'Voted that we inform the Executive Board of the U.L.C.A. that it was the understanding of the Lutheran Church in Liberia that when the 1949 Church Convention approved the Interim Minutes of the Executive Committee of the Church, they had acted accepting the constitutional changes which had previously been adoped by the Executive Committee according to the power given them by the 1948 Convention.'"

The Executive Board adopted the recommendation.

*(b) Andhra Evangelical Lutheran Church*

Five amendments to the Rules of Association (Constitution) of the Andhra Evangelical Lutheran Church, dealing with (1) the duties of the office of president, and (2) including the Board of the Visrantipuram Sanatorium as a board of the Church, and (3) and (4) strengthening the membership of the Board of Evangelism and

Missions, and (5) clarifying the geographical description of the localities in which are located the congregations and synods of the Andhra Evangelical Lutheran Church, have been duly submitted to the Executive Board for approval.

It should be noted that these amendments have already been adopted by the Andhra Church. Amendments to these Rules of the Association require the assent of the Board of Foreign Missions which has made its approval contingent on a like approval by the Executive Board.

Your Committee on Constituent Synods RECOMMENDS approval of the above five amendments.

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

(c) *Constitution of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Japan Approved*

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Constituent Synods presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Committee on Constituent Synods has examined the constitution of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Japan as adopted on May 3, 1950, and approved by the Board of Foreign Missions on June 21, 1950.

"A few minor suggestions are being forwarded to The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Japan through the staff of the Board of Foreign Missions in the spirit of friendly counsel. Your committee finds this constitution entirely acceptable as the basic document of a prospective affiliated church.

"The Committee on Constituent Synods RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board record that it finds nothing contrary to Lutheran doctrine or polity in the constitution of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Japan."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

***44. Reception of Associate Synods as Affiliated Churches.** (For action, see p. 43)

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Constituent Synods presented the following report and recommendation:

"In anticipation of the adoption of the proposed new Article XV (Affiliated Churches) in the constitution of the United Lutheran Church, the daughter churches which had previously had the status of associate synods of our Church have taken the following actions requesting recognition as affiliated churches as soon as this anticipated amendment is declared to be adopted:

"a. *Andhra Evangelical Lutheran Church*

" 'Voted that the Andhra Evangelical Lutheran Church be affiliated with the U.L.C.A.' (Action of the Executive Council of the Andhra Evangelical Lutheran Church, August 19, 1950)

"b. *United Evangelical Lutheran Church of Argentina*

" 'The United Evangelical Lutheran Church of Argentina herewith respectfully petitions to be received as an affiliated Church of The United Lutheran Church in America at its 1950 Convention.

" 'This action was voted unanimously by the Executive Committee of the Church in its meeting of June 20, 1950.' (Letter from Luis Garcia, President of The United Evangelical Lutheran Church of Argentina, to President Fry, July 6, 1950)

"c. *Evangelical Lutheran Church in British Guiana*

"Voted 'that we formally request The United Lutheran Church in America Convention to receive our Church as an Affiliated Church in accordance

> with Article No. 15 of the U.L.C.A. Constitution.' (Action taken at the meeting of the Executive Committee of The Evangelical Lutheran Church in British Guiana, July 13, 1950)
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> "d. *Japan Lutheran Church*
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> "Voted 'that we apply to The United Lutheran Church in America for recognition as an Affiliated Church of that body.' (Action of Executive Committee of the Japan Lutheran Church)
>
> "e. *Liberian Lutheran Church*
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> "Voted 'that the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Liberia, through its Executive Committee, request The United Lutheran Church in America to receive it as an affiliated Church in accordance with Article XV of the Constitution of The United Lutheran Church in America.

"The Committee on Constituent Synods Recommends that, immediately after the new Article XV (Affiliated Churches) in the constitution of The United Lutheran Church in America is officially declared to be adopted, the Executive Board recommend to the 1950 convention that the following churches be received into relationship with The United Lutheran Church in America as affiliated churches:

"The Andhra Evangelical Lutheran Church (India)
The United Evangelical Lutheran Church (Argentina)
The Evangelical Lutheran Church in British Guiana
The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Japan
The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Liberia."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

## VI. BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES, AND AUXILIARIES

### A. IN GENERAL

**1. Board and Agency representation at synodical conventions**

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"1. In December 1948, the secretary of the Church notified each of the church agencies and previously the executive group of each constituent synods, concerning an action of the Executive Board reported to the 1948 convention (U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 108) regarding the necessity of urging upon them all a more strict observance of the practice established in 1940 whereby one representative of the Church only is to attend a synod convention. Since then there have been a number of inquiries made regarding certain circumstances and situations.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees is of the opinion that certain exceptions have to be made in the interest of the special objectives that are before the Church at any particular time, for example, the fact that at this very time the Church has established as a major objective of the 1949-1950 biennium the increasing of the circulation of 'The Lutheran' and is of necessity engaged in the prosecution of the Lutheran World Action appeal and is setting up the program for the United Evangelism Advance. It would seem that a certain leeway must be allowed in the interest of these outstanding efforts. At the same time it is necessary that such special representatives shall limit themselves strictly to the concern that warrants their presence.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees Recommends that the Executive Board take the following action:

"(*a.*) For this biennium the Executive Board gives special permission to the representatives of the Board of Publication (in the interest of increasing the circulation of 'The Lutheran'), of the National Lutheran Council (in the interests of the Lutheran World Action appeal) and of the Board of Social Missions (in the interests of the concerted evangelism effort), to be represented at the conventions of the synods of the Church.

"(*b.*) The Executive Board reiterates its conviction that the policy of United Lutheran Church representation at synods which has been in effect since 1940 is still sound and should be adhered to.

"(*c.*) In all cases where there has not been a prior action of the Church in convention assembled, the Executive Board regards the making of exceptions to this practice as its responsibility. Such exceptions are to be considered only upon its own initiative or upon official written request of a synod."

The recommendation was adopted.

"2. The Executive Board is in receipt of a request from the Rev. Karl W. Kinard, president of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of South Carolina, for the presence of the Rev. S. White Rhyne at their coming convention. Dr. Rhyne is to lead one of the devotional periods of the synod and is to be in attendance at a parish education display in order that he may answer questions regarding that display and the work of his board outside of the sessions. He is not to be used in any other capacity at the convention.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that President Kinard be informed of the Executive Board's willingness to accede to the request for Dr. Rhyne's presence in this capacity."

The recommendation was adopted.

**2. Clearing dates for camps, assemblies, and conferences**

(See VI, C, vii, 1, p. 284, of this report.)

**3. Common personnel practices for non-staff employees of U.L.C.A., its Boards and Agencies**

(See VI, C, vii, 2, p. 284, of this report.)

**4. Blanket personnel insurance for secretarial staff of U.L.C.A., its Boards and Agencies**

(See VI, C, vii, 3, p. 285, of this report.)

**5. Blanket damage insurance coverage for automobile accidents**

(See VI, C, vii, 4, p. 288, of this report.)

**6. Group Hospitalization for staff members**

(See VI, C, vii, 5, p. 288, of this report.)

**7. Publication of complete catalogue of printed materials, and establishment of central distribution agency**

(See VI, C, vii, 6, p. 288, of this report.)

**8. Proposed meeting of all staff secretaries**

(See VI, C, vii, 8, p. 289, of this report.)

**9. Permission to convene special meetings for promotional secretaries granted**

(See VI, C, vii, 9, p. 290, of this report.)

## B. IN PARTICULAR

### i. COMMISSION OF ADJUDICATION

(1) *Commission of Adjudication, Alexander S. Bauer elected to membership*

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"Vice Robbin B. Wolf, resigned causa election to the Executive Board and acceptance of the same, the Commission of Adjudication has nominated Alexander S. Bauer, of Philadelphia, to service on the Commission of Adjudication for the term expiring in 1952.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees Recommends to the Executive Board the election of Alexander S. Bauer, of Philadelphia, to service on the Commission of Adjudication for the term expiring in 1952."

The recommendation was adopted.

"On motion the secretary cast the ballot for Mr. Alexander S. Bauer as a member of the Commission of Adjudication, term expiring 1952. The president declared Mr. Bauer elected."

(2) *Resignation of the Rev. Paul H. Roth; election of the Rev. Benjamin H. Pershing*

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary presented the following report:

"Under date of June 16, 1949, the Rev. Paul H. Roth, D.D., wrote the following letter of resignation to President Fry:

> " 'I am herewith submitting my resignation as member of the Special Commission on Relations to American Lutheran Church Bodies.
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> " 'At the same time I resign also from the Commission of Adjudication.
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> " 'I have appreciated the honor and privilege of serving on these bodies and ask to be relieved only because my duties with the seminary, involving a full teacher's load besides administration, make it impracticable for me to be absent from here to attend meetings. Besides, I shall be seventy years old next year, and it seems best that younger men should succeed to these positions. I am writing President Frederick of the Adjudication Commission to the same effect.' "

This item was received as information.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Rev. Benjamin H. Pershing, Ph.D., D.D., of Springfield, Ohio, has been nominated to fill a vacancy in the membership of the Commission of Adjudication resulting from the resignation of the Rev. Paul H. Roth, D.D.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees Recommends that the Executive Board elect the Rev. Benjamin H. Pershing to the Commission of Adjudication for the term expiring in 1950."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"The secretary cast the ballot of the Executive Board for the election of the Rev. Benjamin H. Pershing to membership in the Commission of Adjudication to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of the Rev. Paul H. Roth, D.D., term expiring 1950.

"The president declared Dr. Pershing elected."

*(c) Appeal of Wartburg Synod to Commission of Adjudication concerning linguistic policy of U.L.C.A. in relation to new missions*
(See V, A, 2, p. 187 and V, B, 39, p. 206, of this report.)

## ii. BOARD OF AMERICAN MISSIONS

### 1. Vacancy on Board of American Missions

At the January 1949 meeting the Executive Board received as information the following comment of the president:

"Upon the receipt of official word from the president of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania that Robert H. Ischinger had demitted the ministry on December 19, 1948, the president formally notified the Board of American Missions that Dr. Ischinger's unexpired term as a clerical member of that board automatically became vacant when he ceased to be a minister in good standing in a synod of the United Lutheran Church."

### 2. The Rev. Albert G. Jacobi elected member of Board of American Missions

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following recommendation:

"The Rev. Albert G. Jacobi of Kitchener, Ontario, has been nominated by the Board of American Missions to fill the clerical vacancy in the membership of the Board of American Missions which resulted from the disqualification of the Rev. R. H. Ischinger, term expiring 1950.

"Your Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board elect the Rev. Albert G. Jacobi to the Board of American Missions for the term expiring in 1950."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"On motion the secretary cast the ballot of the Executive Board for the Rev. Albert G. Jacobi as a member of the Board of American Missions, term expiring 1950. The president declared the Rev. Mr. Jacobi elected."

### 3. Board of American Missions, Assistant Treasurer and Comptroller

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"The following actions were taken by the Board of American Missions at its meeting on June 22-23, subject to the approval of the Executive Board of the U.L.C.A.:

> " 'DIVISION OF FINANCE
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> " 'In view of the lack of a full time officer for the Division of Finance, and
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> " 'In view of the increasingly great diversification of funds created by the board especially for church extension operations, and
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> " 'In view of the constantly recurring requirements of all divisions for ready and complete information as to the status of available funds, therefore it is recommended
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> " 'That subject to the approval of the Executive Board of the Church (1948 Minutes, page 141) the board hereby establishes an additional staff office to be known as that of the comptroller, and
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> " 'That the comptroller be the secretary of the Division of Finance, and
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> " 'That the present assistant treasurer be elected to the office of comptroller with the designation of assistant treasurer and comptroller, and

> " 'That the assistant treasurer and comptroller shall, in addition to the duties previously assigned to the assistant treasurer, set up all funds of the board and shall have reports of their condition ready for the respective divisions in ample time for their preparation of actions for all executive committee and board meetings and at such other times as may be approved by the executive secretary, and shall notify any and all staff officers at any time funds applicable to their respective portfolios may be in danger of being overdrawn, and
>
> " 'That the responsibility for following up all legacies be transferred from the duties of the secretary of church extension to those of the assistant treasurer and comptroller.'

"Your Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that approval be given to the establishment of an additional staff office to be known as that of the Comptroller inasmuch as the plan of operation of the Board of American Missions adopted by the convention of the U.L.C. in 1926 implied that there would be a secretary of finance for that board, and inasmuch as the reorganization of the board's work has not resulted in an increase in the number of salaried officials."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

**4. Change in By-Laws of Board of American Missions**

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"At its meeting on June 22, 1949, the board adopted the following recommendation:

> " 'BOARD MEETINGS
>
> " 'It is recommended that Article I of the By-Laws entitled "Meetings" be amended, subject to the approval of the Executive Board of the Church, by inserting the words "the month of September" between "June" and "and" in the first paragraph, which shall read as follows:
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> " 'Regular meetings of the board shall be held each year two weeks before Ash Wednesday, during the month of June, the month of September, and the month of November."
>
> " 'It is further recommended that, subject to the approval of the Executive Board of the Church, Article IV of the By-Laws be amended to read:
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> > " "The Executive Committee shall meeting at least twice each year. When needed additional meetings may be determined by the board. Special meetings may be called at any time by the president." Adopted as amended.

"Your Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS approval of both changes in the By-Laws."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

**5. Questionnaire to pastors in rural areas**

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report:

"This action appears on page 4625 of the minutes of the Executive Committee of the Board of American Missions for April 28, 1949:

> " 'Recommended that we request the approval of the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America for the mailing of a one-page questionnaire to all pastors serving in communities of population under 2,500.'

"This questionnaire has to do with the statistics of rural congregations, personnel facts regarding rural ministers, methods of rural church work and a request for suggestions looking to the strengthening of the Church in rural areas. In the light of the action of the 1944 convention (page 327) the president of the Church has already informed the Board of American Missions that it is at liberty to proceed with the desired questionnaire without awaiting any further approval from the Executive Board. A collateral reference is to pages 155-156 of the 1948 Minutes of the U.L.C.A."

This item was received as information.

### 6. Request of Board of American Missions to join Missionary Education Movement

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

"At the meeting of the Board of American Missions, November 15-17, 1949, the following action was taken:

> " '*The Missionary Education Movement*
>
> " 'Since the study books on home missions used by the Women's Missionary Society are prepared long in advance through the Missionary Education Movement,
>
> " 'It is recommended that, subject to the approval of the Executive Board, this Board became an official part of that organization in order to have a voice in the preparation of such books and to have ready supplemental material for the use of study groups within the U.L.C.A.'

"Four agencies of the U.L.C.A. (Women's Missionary Society, Parish and Church School Board, Board of Foreign Missions and the Luther League) already belong to the Missionary Education Movement. Consequently there can be no objection in principle to allowing the Board of American Missions to share in this interdenominational relationship. A reason for hesitation arises from the fact that the Missionary Education Movement will lose its identity upon the formation of the National Council of Churches of Christ in the U.S.A., at the beginning of December of this year, and therefore the connection of the Board of American Missions with this movement will necessarily be of short duration.

"In view of the expressed desire of the Board of American Missions for this relationship in spite of its brief duration, the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board give its approval to the request."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 7. Rudolph F. Reichwald Bequest for Jewish Mission Work

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"At its meeting on November 15-17, 1949, the Board of American Missions voted: 'that the treasurer be authorized to transmit to the Division of American Missions of the National Lutheran Council the bequest of Rudolph F. Reichwald for Jewish Mission work, when said bequest is received from the executor of the estate and when approval of such action has been given by the U.L.C.A.' The bequest amounting to $2,358.11 referred to in this action was designated specifically for Jewish mission work. Mr. Reichwald's will had been drawn at a time when the Board of American Missions was the agency of our Church for Missionary activity of this type. Since the National Lutheran Council's Department on the Christian Approach to the Jewish People has now assumed this function for the United Lutheran Church, it is appropriate for this gift to be made available to that Department.

"At the urgent request of Executive Secretary H. Conrad Hoyer of the Division of American Missions of the National Lutheran Council, to which the Department on the Christian Approach to the Jewish People is attached, the sum of $900 was advanced from the President's Fund as an additional contribution for the work of the Department in 1949, with a clear understanding on the part of Secretary Hoyer, Executive Secretary Gerberding of the Board of American Missions, and President Fry that this amount would be repaid to the President's Fund from the Reichwald legacy. The remainder of the bequest in the amount of $1,458.11 can properly be used as a part of the additional contribution to the Department on the Christian Approach to the Jewish People which will be forthcoming from the United Lutheran Church during 1950.

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that the Board of American Missions be requested to remit the Reichwald bequest for Jewish mission work to the treasury of The United Lutheran Church in America with the understanding that $900 of this amount will be repaid to the President's Fund for the reasons stated above and that the remainder of the legacy in the amount of $1,458.11 will be transmitted to the National Lutheran Council's Department on the Christian Approach to the Jewish People as a part of the United Lutheran Church's supplemental contribution to the support of the work of that Department in 1950."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

**8. Revision of Part I, 1949 U.L.C.A. budget, Board of American Missions for N. L. Council Department for the Christian Approach to the Jewish People**

(See III, 18, (a), p. 131, of this report.)

**9. Query of Board of American Missions concerning establishment of an all-English mission by Icelandic Synod at Cavalier, North Dakota**

(See V, B, 6, Icelandic Synod, p. 196, of this report.)

**10. Rudolph F. Reichwald bequest forwarded by Board of American Missions to National Lutheran Council's Division of American Missions, Commission on the Christian Approach to the Jewish People**

(See III, 21, p. 146, of this report.)

**11. Relationship of Board of American Missions to the Department of Church Architecture**

(See VI, C, vi, 2, p. 277, of this reoort.)

**12. Parish and Church School Board, Permission to use Children of the Church Funds as Loans rather than Gifts by Board of American Missions**

(See III, 38, p. 170, of this report.)

## iii. BOARD OF DEACONESS WORK

### 1. Board of Deaconess Work—Financial Assistance for Deaconess Students

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"The following excerpt from the minutes of the Board of Deaconess Work meeting of January 12, 1949, has been received.

> " 'The matter of providing financial aid to approved students for the diaconate during their first two years of college preparation was discussed.
>
> " 'The promotional secretary stated that there were several young women who desired to enter the diaconate but who were in no position to finance two years of college education.
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> " 'According to the action taken at the Minneapolis Convention of the U.L.C.A., young women who had completed high school were eligible for

> the diaconate. However, under the present and future program of deaconess education, young women are required to complete two years of college before being subsidized by the two Motherhouses. Therefore, if a fund would be available to both schools, worthy students, not able to finance the two years, could be subsidized.
>
> "'A motion was made and adopted that the board encourage the Personnel Committee to accept pending applications provided the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church approves the use of the fund granted under Double Apportionment for the subsidization of worthy students.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board inform the Board of Deaconess Work that the use of the funds granted that board is governed by the terms of the allocation but that since the Board of Deaconess Work has asked the advice of the Executive Board, we make the following reply:

"In view of the paucity of Double Apportionment funds, and in view of the growing practice of synods in offering beneficiary aid to students for the diaconate, the Executive Board expresses it as its judgment that the Board of Deaconess Work would be unwise to use funds granted under Double Apportionment for the subsidizing of diaconate students during their first two years in college."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 2. Board of Deaconess Work—volunteer help in ministering to situations of special need

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"The following excerpt is quoted from the January 12, 1949 Minutes of the Board of Deaconess Work:

> "'From the Report of the Committee on Survey of Opportunity, Obligation and Administration of the Board of Deaconess Work.
>
> "'We recommend that the following statement and inquiry be approved by the Board of Deaconess Work and forwarded to the Executive Board of the Church:
>
> "'The Board of Deaconess Work is conscious of a wide field of opportunity for utilizing more volunteer help in ministering to situations of special need involving for example, the aged, the sick, shut-ins, and lapsed church members. Such volunteer services would augment and supplement the personal services of deaconesses, both in parishes and in institutions. The question before us is, "How may such volunteers be better prepared and directed?"
>
> "'Since the Board of Deaconess Work cannot provide a deaconess in every parish, may not the board be helpful in making suggestions to pastors and congregations as to how some of the work of a deaconess may be done through a parish group or committee of volunteers (*a*) where no deaconess is available (*b*) where a deaconess requires assistance?
>
> "'Does the Executive Board recognize that this concern about volunteer workers belongs to the province of the Board of Deaconess Work? How far does our responsibility in this field extend before it overlaps with that of other boards and auxiliaries of The United Lutheran Church in America?
>
> "'Motion was made that the committee be authorized to continue its study and that a statement inquiring into the attitude of the Executive Board of the Church toward this whole project be sent to the Executive Board. Adopted.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board express to the Board of Deaconess Work its judgment that the training of 'volunteer help in ministering to situations of special need involving for example, the aged, the sick, shut-ins and lapsed church-members' lies within the sphere of the Board of

Social Missions; which is persistently encouraging the establishment of congregational committees for this purpose."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 3. Board of Deaconess Work—full-time Executive Secretary

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report:

"The Board of Deaconess Work on April 27 took the following action:

> " 'The Executive Committee reports that it looks with favor upon the establishment of the office of a full-time executive secretary and recommends that the president and vice-president of the board be authorized to confer with the officers of the Church with a view to securing the approval of the Executive Board of the Church.'

"A later paragraph in the minutes adds this explanation:

> " 'Dr. Fry stated that it would not be necessary to have the authorization of the Executive Board for the establishment of the office of an executive secretary as that had already been established; however he and the Executive Board would like to be advised of the specific duties of such an officer as he would be the chief administrator of the Deaconess Board.'

"President Fry does not feel that a decision of the Board of Deaconess Work to fill the position of executive secretary falls within the scope of the action of the 1948 convention which requires the creation of new staff positions on boards to be approved by the Executive Board. The Board of Deaconess Work has had an executive secretary in the past. The position has been only temporarily vacant.

"The above action was taken by the Deaconess Board with the full understanding that the planned conference of the president and vice-president of that board with the officers of the Church will concern itself only with the desirability of the Board of Deaconess Work electing an executive secretary at this time and with the functions of such officer if elected.

"Your Committee on Boards and Committees submits this for information."

This item was received as information.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report:

"In accordance with the action of the Board of Deaconess Work at its April 27, 1949 meeting, and the responding action of the Executive Board (Minutes, Executive Board, August, 1949, pp. 377 and 378), the officers of the Church held a conference with the Reverend Harry F. Baughman, President of the Board of Deaconess Work, on December 30, 1949 dealing 'with the desirability of the Board of Deaconess Work electing an executive secretary at this time and with the functions of such officer if elected.'

"It was promptly agreed that the calling of an Executive Secretary is desirable at this time for the purpose of carrying out the following functions:

NOTE: The job analysis quoted below is in the form adopted by the Board of Deaconess Work at its January 25, 1950 meeting. That board, in accordance with agreements reached at the December 30, 1949 conference referred to above, made certain minor changes in the analysis as tentatively drafted by Dr. Harry F. Baughman and the officers of the Church.

" '*Areas of Service*

> " '1. *Policy over all:*
>
> " 'The Executive Secretary shall represent the Board of Deaconess Work in the Committee of Executive Secretaries, to interpret the program of the

Diaconate to the Church and to interpret the mind and the integrated program of the Church to the Board, channeling to the Board the directions and decisions of the Church and exercising leadership in implementing these.

" 'Lead and direct the studies of the Board in defining the Diaconate and outlining its future program.

" 'Be the Executive Officer to carry into effect the decisions resulting from such studies. This carries the responsibility of directing such changes in program as are necessary to make the Board's decisions effective.

" '2. *Education:*

" 'The Executive Secretary shall lead and direct the educational program of the Deaconess Schools, channeling, through the properly constituted authorities, the decisions of the Board, assisting in the development of curricula, in defining the standards, in relating schools to other educational institutions, and in the general supervision of the training of students.

" '3. *Financial:*

" ' (*a*) The Executive Secretary shall direct and coordinate the financial operations of the Board in line with the policies of the United Lutheran Church.

" ' (*b*) The Executive Secretary shall be the agent of the Finance Committee of the Board for the preparation, and presentation to the Board, of budgets.

" '4. *Promotional:*

" 'The Executive Secretary shall devise the general promotional program of the Diaconate, direct the activities of the Promotional Secretary, and the program of recruitment.' "

This item was received as information.

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report:

"The April 26, 1950 meeting of the Board of Deaconess Work authorized its newly elected Executive Secretary, Sister Mildred Winter, to hold a conference with the officers of the Church to make effective matters concerning the location of her office, the functioning of the executive secretaryship and her membership on committees and boards of management. The officers reported their readiness to enter into such a conference at the convenience of Sister Mildred Winter."

This item was received as information.

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report:

"On September 6, 1950, the president, representing the officers, had the requested conference with Sister Mildred Winter, the new executive secretary of the Board of Deaconess Work (p. 880) concerning 'the location of her office, the functioning of the executive secretaryship and her membership on committees and boards of management.'

"Sister Mildred gave the information that the Board of Deaconess Work desires and intends to continue to have its official board offices in Philadelphia. The proposed amendments to the board's by-laws as to the membership of the executive secretary on committees and boards of management (see report of the Committee on Boards and Committees to this meeting) were discussed in the light of the comments of the Executive Board (p. 244-245) regarding earlier, proposed amendments involving the same principles. No specific questions about the functioning of the executive secretaryship were raised by Sister Mildred in behalf of the Board of Deaconess Work. She expressed the belief that this phrase had been included in the original action of the Deaconess Board as an indication of its willingness to have the officers of the Church offer any constructive suggestions which they might wish to volunteer."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 4. Board of Deaconess Work—Ad interim Election—Sister Pearle N. Lyerly

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Board of Deaconess Work at a regular meeting of the Board held on Wednesday, October 26, 1949, nominated Sister Pearle N. Lyerly of Washington, D. C., to fill the unexpired term of Sister Catherine Neuhardt. Sister Catherine Neuhardt resigned after her election as Dean of the Deaconess Training School in Baltimore, Maryland, made her ineligible to serve on this Board. (Article XIII, Section 4, Constitution of the United Lutheran Church and its interpretation in the minutes of the United Lutheran Church, 1944, pp. 64 and 136)

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board elect Sister Pearle N. Lyerly to the Board of Deaconess Work for the term expiring in 1952."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"The secretary cast the ballot of the Executive Board for the election of Sister Pearle N. Lyerly to membership in the Board of Deaconess Work, to fill the unexpired term of Sister Catherine Neuhardt, resigned, term expiring 1952.

"The president declared Sister Pearle Lyerly elected."

### 5. Request for inter-board conference regarding co-operation among Deaconess Training Schools and Colleges of U.L.C.A.

(*a*) *Developments to June 1950*

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"By telephone to Secretary Reinartz, the President of the Board of Deaconess Work, the Rev. Harry Baughman, has acquainted us with action taken by the Board of Deaconess Work at its meeting in Philadelphia, January 25. The action reads as follows:

> " 'It was moved that the Board of Deaconess Work respectfully request the Executive Board to call a conference of representatives of the Executive Board, the Board of Education, and the Board of Deaconess Work for consultation concerning present and future arrangements in the matter of co-operation among the deaconess training schools and the colleges.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board comply with the request of the Board of Deaconess Work for calling the proposed meeting."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"Motion made and carried to request the Committee on Boards and Committees to call the suggested conference and to represent the Executive Board in this matter."

The motion was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report:

"The Committee on Boards and Committees would report that the Inter-Board Conference, authorized by the Executive Board at its January 1950 meeting (pages 655-656) was held under date of March 2, 1950, in Philadelphia. As a result, a free conference was arranged for under the auspices of the Board of Education, which will consider a number of related questions. The free conference will be held on May 19, 1950, in Philadelphia, after which its findings will be reported to the Inter-Board Conference and acted upon on June 8, 1950. The Board of Deaconess Work and the Board of Education will then act upon the findings of the Inter-Board Conference and report will be made to the Executive Board at its June meeting."

This item was received as information.

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Committee on Boards and Committees submits herewith the report of the above (inter-board) conference; and RECOMMENDS that consideration be deferred until the action of both the Board of Education and the Board of Deaconess Work on the report of the Conference have been received." Adopted.

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

The draft of the report was received as information at the June 1950 meeting, pending receipt of the report in the form approved by the Board of Deaconess Work and the Board of Education.

(b) *Concerning present and future arrangements in the matter of co-operation among Deaconess Training Schools and the Colleges of the ULCA*

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"Under date of January 25-26, 1950, the Executive Board of the Church at the request of the Board of Deaconess Work authorized a conference of representatives of the Executive Board, the Board of Education and the Board of Deaconess Work to consult, 'concerning present and future arrangements in the matter of co-operation among the deaconess training schools and the colleges.'

"The deliberations of the conference at once indicated the necessity of not only drawing up a co-ordinated program but also considering means of making the same effective. It became apparent that there is a strong and continuing desire for some kind of commissioning or formal recognition by the Church of full-time lay women workers. Such recognition would likewise prove an important means of giving effectiveness to the program. A special committee of the Board of Deaconess Work is considering this problem in accordance with the directive of the Church (1946 ULCA Minutes, pp. 557-565). In view of this the findings of the three-board conference are in part based upon the possibility of recommendations concerning commissioning being made to the Church.

"The conference also noted the results of a previous study entitled PERSONNEL STANDARDS AND PRACTICES FOR WOMEN CHURCH WORKERS which was received by the Church at its 1946 convention and referred to the institutions and agencies affected for their consideration with a view to adoption. The present provisions do not go beyond those of that study, but are in harmony with them, bring them up to date, and are designed to be a step toward making them effective."

At this point the minutes of the Executive Board introduce the plan reported by the Board of Deaconess Work in these Minutes, pp. 699-700. The minutes of the Executive Board then continue with the following comment and recommendation:

"The above report has been adopted by the Board of Deaconess Work (Minutes, July

1950, p. 4) and is likewise reported to us as having been unanimously approved by the Board of Education (letter from the Executive Secretary, August 23, 1950).

"The Committee on Boards and Committees notes that the report will be presented to the Church by the Board of Deaconess Work, and RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board itself take no action on the report."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 6. Presentation of Request from Board of Deaconess Work Concerning Expansion of its Field Staff

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the president presented the following report:

"Upon instruction of the Board of Deaconess Work (see its Minutes for June 29, 1950, p. 10), its executive-secretary-elect was instructed to present personally to this board the request of the Board of Deaconess Work for an expansion of its field staff. The president, with the aid of the secretary, has explained to the executive-secretary-elect of the Board of Deaconess Work that it is not the custom of the Executive Board to invite representatives of the various boards and agencies of the United Lutheran Church to make such personal presentations of board actions. She was advised to follow the usual procedure of transmitting all pertinent information and documents to the Committee on Boards and Committees."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 7. Request for Five additional secretaries for Board of Deaconess Work

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendations:

"The minutes of the Board of Deaconess Work for June 29, 1950, contain the following two paragraphs on this subject. (Page 9)

" 'It was moved that the Board of Deaconess Work look with favor upon the proposed expanded promotional program to begin as soon as possible. Adopted.

" 'It was moved that the expanded program include five additional field secretaries and that the Board of Deaconess Work request the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church to approve the plan.'

"The following page contains a formal request to the Executive Board to reopen the proposed budget for 1952-1953 in order to provide for the cost of the additional five field secretaries to the Executive Board.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees does not feel justified in supporting the full promotional plan submitted, in view of the current discussion by the Board of Deaconess Work regarding an expanded deaconess fellowship, but RECOMMENDS

"(a) That the Board of Deaconess Work be authorized to appoint three additional field secretaries from 1951 through 1953 on a released time basis in order to conserve and further the promotional gains made in the last few years; and

"(b) That the Executive Board reconsider and amend the Budget for 1952-53 to make provision for the above."

The recommendations were adopted by the Executive Board.

### 8. Amendments to By-Laws of Board of Deaconess Work

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendations:

"The Minutes of the Board of Deaconess Work for June 29, 1950 (pp. 8, 9) contain two proposed amendments to the By-Laws of that Board, for which approval is asked.

"(a) Article II—Standing Committees had an introductory paragraph reading 'The following Standing Committees shall be appointed by the President of the Deaconess Board at the annual meeting of the Board, with the exception of the Executive Committee. The President shall be member ex officio of all committees.'

"It is proposed by the Board of Deaconess Work that this paragraph be changed to read as follows: 'The following Standing Committees shall be appointed by the President of the Board of Deaconess Work, at the annual meeting of the Board, with the exception of the Executive Committee. The President and Executive Secretary shall be members ex officio of all committees.'

"The effect is to make the Executive Secretary a member of the Executive Committee of the Board. The policy of the Church, however, is to restrict membership on standing committees of a Board to members of the Board itself. This policy was presented to the Board of Deaconess Work on a previous occasion (Minutes of the Executive Board, August, 1947, pp. 244-245) and the Board of Deaconess Work accepted the principle, changing a proposed amendment to conform with it.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees cannot, therefore, recommend approval of the proposed amendment. Yet the evident purpose of the Board of Deaconess Work to provide that the Executive Secretary shall have a seat and a voice in all committees is commendable. The confusion probably arises from the term 'ex officio,' which does not by itself properly imply merely advisory membership but full membership.

"The committee on Boards and Committees therefore Recommends that the Board of Deaconess Work be advised to withdraw its proposed amendment and instead add the following sentence to the paragraph as it now stands:

" 'The Executive Secretary shall have a seat and a voice on all committees.' "

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"(b) Article II—Section 5 now reads:

" 'There shall be a Board of Management for each Motherhouse. The Board of Management of the Baltimore Motherhouse shall consist of five members appointed by the President of the Board of Deaconess Work and a Chairman who shall be elected by the Board of Deaconess Work. The Board of Management of the Philadelphia Motherhouse shall consist of five members nominated by the Board of Deaconess Work and a sixth member appointed by the Board of Trustees of the Mary J. Drexel Home. The Chairman of this Committee shall be elected by the Board of Trustees of the Mary J. Drexel Home from among the above six members. In each Board of Management the majority of the five members appointed shall be members of the Board of Deaconess Work. The Directing Sister, a representative of the Sisters' Council and the Dean of the School of each Motherhouse shall have a seat and a voice in the respective Boards of Management.'

"The Board of Deaconess Work proposes that the first sentence be changed to read: 'There shall be a Board of Management for each Motherhouse, of which the executive secretary of the Board of Deaconess Work shall be ex officio member.'

"The principle involved in amendment (a) does not apply here, because the Motherhouse boards are not strictly committees of the Board of Deaconess Work but the confusion connected with the words 'ex officio' does seem again to be involved. The addition of the executive secretary as a seventh member of the Board of Management of the Philadelphia Motherhouse would probably imply an amendment to the By-Laws of the Board of Trustees of the Mary J. Drexel Home. The inclulsion of the executive secretary in the membership in the Board of Management of the Baltimore Motherhouse raises the question whether the intent of the Board of Deaconess Work is to add a sixth member or whether the president would be required to include the executive secretary as one of his five appointments.

"Believing that these complications were not intended in the action of the Board of Deaconess Work, the Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Board of Deaconess Work be advised to change its proposed amendment to read:

" 'There shall be a Board of Management for each Motherhouse on which the executive secretary of the Board of Deaconess Work shall have a seat and a voice.'

"(This is not to be interpreted to mean that the executive secretary would be disqualified from election or appointment to membership in either or both of the said boards of management.)"

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

**9. Proposed Changes in "The Order for the Consecration of a Deaconess"**

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Board of Deaconess Work on June 29, 1950, proposed amendments to the 'Order for the Consecration of a Deaconess.' The relevant excerpt from the minutes of that meeting is as follows:

> " 'Whereas it has been the practice of the Board of Deaconess Work to approve all candidates for Consecration and to perform the rite of Consecration, it is recommended that the Service of Consecration for Deaconesses in the book of Occasional Services (page 121) which now reads as follows:
>
> > " ' "The following candidates have been approved by the Motherhouse as those to whom the Ministry of Mercy may be committed. By direction of the Motherhouse, therefore, I present these Sisters for Consecration to the Diaconate." '
>
> " 'be changed to read:
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> > " ' "The following candidates have been recommended by the Sisterhood and approved by the Board of Deaconess Work of The United Lutheran Church in America as those to whom the Ministry of Mercy may be committed. By direction of the Board of Deaconess Work, therefor, I present these Sisters for Consecration to the Diaconate" '
>
> " 'And on page 122 where it reads:
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> > " ' "You have been commended to us by the Motherhouse as worthy to be set apart for and to associate in this sacred Ministry of Mercy." '
>
> " 'that it be changed to read:
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> > " ' "You have been commended to us by the Board of Deaconess Work as worthy to be set apart for and to associate in this sacred Ministry of Mercy." '
>
> " 'It was moved and carried that the proposed changes in "The Order for Consecration of a Deaconess" be adopted and that the matter be referred to the Executive Board of the U.L.C.A. for reference to the Common Service Book Committee.' "

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board endorse the principle of this request of the Board of Deaconess Work and refer the request to the Common Service Book Committee for transmission to the Joint Commission on the Liturgy."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

**10. Board of Deaconess Work Request to Reopen Proposed U.L.C.A. Budget for 1952 and for 1953, and Proposed Amendments of those Budgets**

(See III, 35, p. 168, of this report.)

**11. Board of Deaconess Work, Remodeling Home for Retired Deaconesses**

(See III, 36, p. 168, of this report.)

### 12. Diaconate in India studied by Board of Foreign Missions

(See VI, B, V, 1, p. 239, of this report.)

### 13. Board of Deaconess Work request for cost analysis of operations of Philadelphia and Baltimore Motherhouses

(See III, 30, p. 157, of this report.)

## iv. BOARD OF EDUCATION and CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION YEAR APPEAL

### 1. Christian Higher Education Year Appeal

(*a*) *Interpretations of the CHEY Plan*

(1) Interpretation of Section IX. (c)

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"On December 1 and 2, 1948, the Board of Education voted 'that the Directing Committee be given authority (*a*) to interpret Article IX. (c), of the Plan and any and all other articles and paragraphs for the information of the synods and the Church-at-large.' The Directing Committee met on December 21, 1948 and took the following action:

> " 'That the Directing Committee, on behalf of the Board of Education, request the Executive Board to interpret Section IX. (c) of the CHEY plan as follows: That the words "total contribution" mean "the total undesignated contribution." '

"The fact would seem to be that there is some confusion as to just what was in the mind of the Church when the convention adopted this portion of the plan. The Committee on Boards and Committees has given very careful consideration to the entire issue and the probable effect of the interpretation placed upon this article by the Directing Committee. It has come to the conclusion that the interpretation made by the Directing Committee carries with it greater assurance of the ultimate success of the appeal than any counter-interpretation or understanding.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees Recommends that the Executive Board consent to the interpretation of Section IX. (c), of the CHEY plan made by the Directing Committee, namely that the words 'total contribution' mean 'the total undesignated contributions.' "

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

The Executive Board took this further action:

"It was moved and carried, That the Executive Board express its hope that the Directing Committee will stress the general cause of our educational institutions rather than the special designation of gifts for individual institutions."

(2) Further Interpretation of Section IX. (c)

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following repport and recommendation:

"The minutes of the Directing Committee of the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal which serves as the agent of the Board of Education, under date of June 10, 1949, report an unexpected but highly welcome development. Instead of merely accepting the total amounts assigned to them as indicated in Schedule A of the Plan, a number of synods have voluntarily set substantially higher goals for themselves. This was not anticipated when the Plan was drafted. At least two problems at once present themselves, calling for official interpretations of certain portions of the Plan.

"If a synod increases its CHEY goal on its own initiative, is the division of undesignated gifts to be figured on the basis of percentages arrived at in terms of the original allocations in Schedule A or on the basis of the altered percentages which would result from the new lifting of aim for certain designated institutions?

"The Directing Committee resolved 'that the Executive Board be requested to interpret the following words in IX of the CHEY plan "in the ratio of the synod's quotas for its institutions and the Special Aid Fund" to mean "in the ratio of the synod's quotas for its institutions and the Special Aid Fund as set forth in Schedule A of the plan."'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS:

"THAT the Executive Board approve the interpretation of IX, (*c*), proposed by the Directing Committee of CHEY and set forth in the above statement."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the same meeting the Committee on Boards and Committees continued its report as follows:

(3) Interpretation of Section VIII. (*c*)

"The second problem deals with the question of the method of calculating the expenses of the appeal in the light of the voluntarily increased goals set by certain of the synods. The synodical CHEY committees must be informed by the Directing Committee how much money they can properly spend in promoting the CHEY effort within their synods. It would be unjust to other synods if the few synods with increased goals were permitted to spend the larger share of the expense budget for CHEY and, on the other hand, in certain instances, it would be unfair to deduct the same percentage of expense from their additional money, much of which may be secured from special sources, as from the gifts raised by churchwide subscription.

"The Directing Committee therefore adopted the following:

> "'That the Executive Board be requested to interpret the intent of Paragraph VIII, (c), of the Christian Higher Education Year Plan as applying to the expenses involved in the ingathering of the assigned synodical quotas as set forth in Schedule A of the plan (except as modified according to Paragraph XI) with the understanding that where a synod sets an appeal goal for itself higher than its total assignment in Schedule A and in consequence increases expenses above those which would normally be involved in the CHEY appeal in that synod, the question of a fair division of the total CHEY expense in such a synod be considered in conference between the Directing Committee of Christian Higher Education Year and the appropriate synodical officials in the interest of equitable treatment of all synods in the matter of expense allocation.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board approve the interpretation of Paragraph VIII, (*c*), proposed by the Directing Committee of CHEY as set forth immediately above."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

(*b*) *Request for privilege of allocating CHEY funds by Pacific Synod*

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Constituent Synods presented the following report:

> "'The Pacific Synod in special session at Longview, Washington, November 29, 1948, respectfully petitions the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America and the Board of Education of said Church for the privilege of allocating all funds raised in the congregations of synod during the 1950 Christian Higher Education Year Appeal on the basis of 75 per cent for the proposed Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary and 25 per cent for Midland College at Fremont, Nebraska.'

"In reply to this resolution the Committee on Constituent Synods points out that Section V of the Plan for Christian Higher Education Year empowers each synod 'to act upon the suggested schedule of allocation to those (its) respective seminaries and colleges,' with the exception that each synod must assume its share of the Special Aid Fund according to the schedule adopted by the 1948 Convention of the U.L.C.A. and its portion of the expenses. The Pacific Synod has acted within its rights, with these two exceptions, in adopting this resolution and it requires no further permission from the Executive Board or the Board of Education."

This item was received as information.

(c) *Borrowings for CHEY expenses and authorization of U.L.C.A. treasurer to act for Board of Education in financial matters pertaining to CHEY*

(1) Advance to Board of Education for CHEY expenses.

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"In adopting the plans for Christian Higher Education Year, the 1948 Convention (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pages 355, 358, 524), instructed 'the Executive Board to advance out of Part II of The United Lutheran Church in America budget for the years 1948 and 1949, such sums, not to exceed a total of $200,000, as may be necessary toward the expenses of the appeal, with the proviso that all such advance sums shall be repaid to Part II of future budgets of The United Lutheran Church in America from the receipts of the appeal.'

"In order to defray early costs of the appeal during 1949, its year of preparation, the Board of Education has requested an advance of $100,000 from the distribution from Part II of the 1948 budget of the Church. Because of the pressing need for funds from this source on the part of all our boards and agencies, the Allocation Commission and the Executive Board yesterday decided that the desire of the Board of Education could not be granted without impairing gravely the ongoing work of other departments of our church life. As a result no provision has been made from Part II of the 1948 budget to finance Christian Higher Education Year.

"The solution for the predicament in which the Board of Education has been placed is clear. The action of the Church allows no option to the Executive Board. Necessary funds for expenses of Christian Higher Education Year must be advanced from Part II of the 1949 church budget without delay.

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that as soon as sufficient funds have accumulated in Part II of the 1949 budget, the treasurer be authorized to advance up to $25,000 to the Board of Education as a first installment to defray the expenses of the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal, the same to be repaid out of the first receipts of that appeal."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

(2) Additional advance to Board of Education for CHEY expenses.

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Executive Board minutes, January 1949, pages 84-85—'Advance for Expenses of Christian Higher Education Year'—report the action of the 1948 Convention, which reads in part:

> " 'The Executive Board to advance out of Part II of the U.L.C.A. budget for the years 1948 and 1949 such sums, not to exceed a total of $200,000—as may be necessary toward the expenses of the appeal, with the proviso that such advances shall be repaid to Part II of future budgets of the U.L.C.A. from the receipts of the appeal.'

"It was reported at the January meeting of the Executive Board that no provision had been made from Part II of the 1948 budget to finance Christian Higher Education Year and that necessary funds for these expenses must be advanced from Part II of the 1949 budget.

"The executive secretary of the Board of Education has indicated that it may be necessary to make a request from the U.L.C.A. Part II 1949 receipts before September for the financing of a motion picture.

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that, as soon as sufficient funds have accumulated in Part II of the 1949 budget, the treasurer be authorized to advance up to $75,000 additional to the Board of Education, upon their request as the needs occur, to defray expenses of the appeal in 1949. The total authorized by the Executive Board at its January meeting was $25,000, and, with this authorization, the total will be $100,000, which is one-half of the amount included in the instructions of the convention to the Executive Board, all such sums to be repaid out of the first receipts of the appeal."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

(3) ULCA Treasurer to act for Board of Education in financial matters pertaining to CHEY.

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the treasurer presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Finance Committee report includes a recommendation that the treasurer of the Church be directed to take over the responsibility for all disbursements from the CHEY fund and other duties incidental thereto, effective July 1, 1949. Prior to this date, a few cash receipts and disbursements have cleared through the Executive Board books, and a statement of these items to June 30, 1949, is attached hereto. A statement of cash receipts and disbursements for the month of July, 1949, is also included with this report."

This item was received as information.

The recommendation referred to in the item immediately above follows:

Christian Higher Education Year Appeal

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendations:

"The following minute of the Directing Committee for Christian Higher Education Year was adopted June 10, 1949:

> " 'That the Directing Committee request the treasurer of the U.L.C.A. to act for the Board of Education in financial matters pertaining to Christian Higher Education Year, including both receipts and expenditures.'

"This request was later reiterated and confirmed by the Board of Education itself on June 21-22, 1949, as follows:

> " 'Resolved, that the Board of Education, in the interest of simplicity of procedure, request the Executive Board to direct the treasurer of the Church to take over the responsibility for all disbursements from the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal funds, including the payment of all expenses, and to establish a separate bank account for that purpose, it being understood that the chart of accounts and the form and time of reports shall be acceptable to the Board of Education.'

"Paragraph VIII of the Christian Higher Education Year Plan, adopted by the 1948 convention, begins as follows:

> " '(*a*) That The United Lutheran Church in America direct the Board of

> Education to defray the expenses of the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal from the contributions to the appeal as a first charge.'

"By this double request, the Board of Education and the Directing Committee tacitly expressed the conviction that the office of the treasurer of the United Lutheran Church is better equipped to handle all financial transactions of CHEY than the board's office in Washington could possibly be. Furthermore, it would be extravagant to attempt to duplicate the type of service which the comptroller can perform by constructing a similar organization in **Washington.**

"The desired arrangement is:

"(*a*) The Board of Education will care for all CHEY expenses until the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1949.

"(*b*) The office of the treasurer of the United Lutheran Church is to assume this duty with the beginning of the new fiscal year. (This arrangement will eliminate the necessity of any additional audit and will make it easy to combine the figures and later accounting.)

"(c) The CHEY account is to be balanced as of July 1, 1949, either by the Board of Education transferring to the U.L.C.A. treasury the balance of our previous advance for CHEY expenses, which the board still has on hand, as of that day, or by the treasurer of the U.L.C.A. reimbursing the Board of Education for additional CHEY expenses which the Board has incurred over and above the advance already given to it. In this connection, the June 10 meeting of the Directing Committee also:

> "'Voted: That all expenditures since November 1, 1948, be included in the books of accounts of CHEY. (Prior to November 1, 1948, the Board of Education had allowed a sum in the regular budget, which cared for most of the expenditures related to CHEY.)'

"The action of the Board of Education specifies two details:

"(1) The establishment of a separate bank account.

"(2) An understanding that the chart of accounts and the form and time of reports shall be acceptable to the Board of Education.

"Item II in the same Minutes of the Directing Committee for June 10 goes into still further details:

"(3) That a special book of accounts be set up for all receipts and expenditures in CHEY.

"(4) That the treasurer of The United Lutheran Church in America be empowered to sign checks.

"(5) That revolving petty cash accounts be established in the office of the Board of Education and the national headquarters in Springfield, Ohio.

"(6) That all vouchers be approved by the director in advance of payment, and that all vouchers relating to expenditures within a region be previously approved by the regional director.

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that all points outlined in the requests contained in the foregoing actions be granted by the Executive Board with the further stipulation that the president or secretary of the ULCA also be empowered to sign checks on this account."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"The Finance Committee has considered the requests outlined in the foregoing memorandum and RECOMMENDS the opening of an account in the name of 'Christian

Higher Education Year Appeal — The United Lutheran Church in America' in the National City Bank of New York, 42nd Street Branch, 42nd Street and Madison Avenue, New York City, subject to withdrawal upon the signatures of the treasurer, president or secretary, and into which account the treasurer shall be authorized to deposit such funds as from time to time are received by the treasurer for the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

(4) Officers' summary of borrowings for CHEY from Apportionment Fund.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report and recommendation:

"The plan for the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal, VIII (*b*). (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 355) gives the following instruction to the Executive Board:

> " 'That this convention of the Church instruct the Executive Board to advance out of receipts for Part II of The United Lutheran Church in America budget for the years 1948 and 1949, such sums, not to exceed a total of $200,000, as may be necessary toward the expenses of the appeal, with the proviso that all such advance sums shall be repaid to Part II of future budgets of The United Lutheran Church in America from the receipts of the appeal.'

"In obedience to this instruction the Executive Board has authorized the advance of the following amounts to the Board of Education to defray expenses of the CHEY Appeal.

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| "January 26-27, 1949, (Minutes, p. 85) | $25,000 |
| "April 21-22, 1949, (Minutes, p. 218) | 75,000 |

"July 1, 1949—The office of the U.L.C.A. treasurer assumed responsibility for all financial transactions of CHEY. (Minutes, August, 1949, p. 361). Subsequently advances for CHEY have been authorized by the Officers of the Church.

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| "November 3, 1949 | $25,000 |
| "November 17, 1949 | 25,000 |

"December 8, 1949—the Directing Committee of CHEY took the following action:

> " 'Voted—That the Directing Committee requests the officers of the Church to advance the $50,000.00 being the balance of the $200,000.00 authorized by the Church in 1948 convention to underwrite expenses of the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal.'

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| "December 13, 1949—Officers authorized advance of | 50,000 |
| | $200,000 |

"The entire amount of $200,000 authorized by the CHEY plan (VIII, (*b*), for advance to the CHEY Appeal 1948 convention Minutes, p. 355) for defraying the expenses of the Appeal having been advanced in accordance with the Church's direction, the Officers RECOMMEND that the Executive Board now approve the whole series of transactions by which the instructions were carried out."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

(5) CHEY advance received from 1949 Part II Apportionment Fund—repaid.

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report:

"The sums totaling $200,000 advanced to CHEY from Part II of the 1949 Apportionment Fund (Executive Board Minutes, January, p. 624) have been repaid from the CHEY Appeal receipts to the Apportionment Fund, as follows:

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| "June 8, 1950 | $100,000 |
| "June 12, 1950 | 100,000 |
| | $200,000" |

This item was received as information.

(6) Officers of Church authorized to borrow up to $200,000 for CHEY on commercial loans.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"The plan for Christian Higher Education Year as adopted by the 1948 Convention (pp. 353 and 524) contained the following provision:

> " 'VIII (*b*) That this convention of the Church instruct the Executive Board to advance out of receipts for Part II of The United Lutheran Church in America budget for the years 1948 and 1949, such sums, not to exceed a total of $200,000, as may be necessary toward the expenses of the appeal, with the proviso that all such advance sums shall be repaid to Part II of future budgets of The United Lutheran Church in America from the receipts of the appeal.'

"On December 8, 1949, the Directing Committee for Christian Higher Education Year voted:

> " '*Regarding a Commercial Loan*
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> " 'It was voted: Whereas it is clear that the expenses of the Appeal will reach a total materially above the originally granted $200,000 before Appeal receipts will be available,
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> " 'Be it Resolved, That the Directing Committee request the Executive Board to make commercial loans for such amounts as may be required from time to time for this purpose up to a maximum of $200,000, as the need for funds is indicated by the Comptroller; it being understood that interest charges will be met by the Appeal.'

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS

"1. That the Executive Board grant this request of the Directing Committee for the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal; and

"2. That the Executive Board authorize the Officers of the Church to borrow up to $200,000 in the name of the U.L.C.A. in commercial loans, hypothecating such securities owned by the U.L.C.A. and under the control of this board as may be necessary."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

(7) CHEY loan of $50,000 secured by officers.

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Officers presented the following report:

"As authorized at the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board (Minutes, p. 624) the officers borrowed $50,000 from Chase National Bank, New York, New York, giving a demand note dated March 7, 1950. This money is to be used toward meeting the expenses of the CHEY appeal. To secure this loan the officers pledged $62,000 U. S. Treasury Notes, 1⅜% Series 'A,' 3/15/54, Motion Picture Reserve Fund."

This item was received as information.

(8) CHEY Loan—demand note to Chase National Bank paid.

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report:

"The demand note for $50,000 dated March 7, 1950, bearing 2% interest, representing a loan from Chase National Bank to finance the CHEY Appeal expenses, was paid on April 21, 1950. The securities which were pledged, consisting of 62M U. S. Treasury Notes 1⅜% 'A,' 3/15/54, were returned to the safe deposit box, (Executive Board Minutes, April, p. 707)."

This item was received as information.

(9) Officers' authorization to borrow for CHEY reduced to $150,000.

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"The January 1950 Executive Board Minutes include the following resolution: 'that the Executive Board authorize the officers of the Church to borrow up to $200,000 in the name of the U.L.C.A. in commercial loans, hypothecating such securities owned by the U.L.C.A. and under the control of this Board as may be necessary.'

"Whereas it appears that in the coming months CHEY Appeal contributions will be received in sufficient amounts to defray the expenses of the Appeal, the Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that the above authorization to borrow $200,000 be reduced to $150,000."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

(10) CHEY Loan—authority of Officers to borrow up to $150,000 withdrawn.

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"The April Executive Board meeting (Minutes, p. 763) adopted a resolution reducing the amount from $200,000 to $150,000 which the Officers had authority to borrow.

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that inasmuch as the CHEY receipts are sufficient already to meet the expenses of the Appeal, the authority granted to the Officers to borrow for this purpose is hereby withdrawn."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

(d) *Co-operation of certain boards in promotional activities during the CHEY Appeal period*

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendations:

"Formal letters, submitting a design of co-operation between the two mission boards and the Parish and Church School Board, have been received from the Revs. L. A. Gotwald and R. H. Gerberding, the executive secretaries of the Board of Foreign Missions and of the Board of American Missions respectively.

"The plan of co-operation has been developed through conferences between representatives of the two boards with representatives of the Parish and Church School Board.

The conferences stem partially from the following action of the 1948 Convention. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 524.)

> " 'That the proper officials of boards and agencies, which are normally privileged to solicit special funds from congregations and Sunday schools during the period from January to April in each year, be requested to confer together with the directors of Christian Higher Education Year for the purpose of co-ordinating their promotional activities in 1950.'

"Although no consultation of the type indicated has been held with the directors of Christian Higher Education Year, it appears that the plan submitted will satisfy promotional desires for 1950 of the two boards which normally would be privileged, under the Calendar of Causes, to solicit offerings during the early months of 1950.

"In general, the plan provides that the Board of Foreign Missions and the Board of American Missions furnish the missionary material from which the Parish and Church School Board shall prepare:

> "1. Missionary lessons in the Uniform Series for January and February 1950.
> "2. A booklet, with missionary emphasis, for the guidance of teachers using the Christian Growth Series.
> "3. A picture cut-out sheet for classroom work.
> "4. A 'take home' pamphlet for free distribution.

"The Board of Foreign Missions and the Board of American Missions will each contribute $3,000 toward the cost of these materials.

"Although there may have been some procedural irregularities in such formal conferences as have been held, your committee recognizes the fine spirit of co-operation.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS approval of the plan of co-operation."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees further RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board at the same time express its conviction that promotional materials of any character should be used only in an illustrative way in our Bible schools and should not supplant instruction in the Word of God and the facts of our faith."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following additional report on this item:

"The minutes of the Directing Committee of the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal, under date of June 10, 1949, include the following:

> " 'Regarding the co-operation of certain boards—
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> " 'Voted: That the Directing Committee welcomes the plan and approves the action of the Board of Foreign Missions, the Board of American Missions and the Parish and Church School Board with regard to their co-operation during 1950.
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> " 'That Drs. Fry and Tulloss confer with the officers of the National Lutheran Council regarding publicity for LWA.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees submits this item for information, noting with satisfaction that the Philadelphia Convention action (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 524), calling for a conference of the sort now being arranged between the Directing Committee of the CHEY Appeal and the officers of the National Lutheran Council is being fulfilled."

This item was received as information.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report on the plan for the co-ordination of the promotional plans of certain boards and of Lutheran World Action with the CHEY Plan.

"The 1948 U.L.C.A. convention (Minutes, p. 524) adopted the following resolution:

> " 'That the proper officials of boards and agencies, which are normally privileged to solicit special funds from congregations and Sunday schools during the period from January to April in each year. be requested to confer together with the directors of Christian Higher Education Year for the purpose of co-ordinating their promotional activities in 1950.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees reports for information that, in harmony with the above action, the executive officers of CHEY and LWA have agreed upon the following principles and details which have received the approval of President Fry:

> " '1. Since both appeals are officially adopted by the Church and are vital to its life and work, each should be presented locally on a schedule taking into consideration the interests of the other.
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> " '2. The action of The United Lutheran Church in America in adopting the official CHEY plan provides that the period from January through April 1950 be devoted to active solicitation of contributions to CHEY. As far as possible this period is to be kept free of all other appeals.
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> " '3. LWA Sunday, which normally would fall on May 7, will be postponed until May 21. This action has been approved by the LWA church directors of all NLC bodies.
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> " '4. LWA literature will be mailed to every pastor as usual, arriving early in February. This is an established procedure and does not imply that the materials should be used immediately. Each pastor will co-ordinate the two appeals in his own congregation.
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> " '5. Information about the Inter-Denominational Radio Program and Relief Appeal "One Great Hour of Sharing" scheduled for March 12 will go to all U.L.C.A. pastors at the same time it is mailed to other NLC pastors. The fixing of this date is beyond our control and it would be unfortunate to deprive U.L.C.A. congregations of this real assistance such as they received from the "One Great Hour Program" in 1949. Any gathering of funds in connection with this broadcast will be determined by the local congregation.
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> " '6. LWA films will be available upon request as usual; pastors are urged to avoid scheduling them in January, February and April.
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> " '7. LWA bulletins of current information will be mailed monthly as usual. Synod directors will inquire about the plans of congregations and will check up on the receipt of materials, visual aids and other items in the normal way to facilitate an intensive synod-wide LWA presentation in May.
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> " '8. Any U.L.C.A. congregation which receives LWA offerings in any manner during the first four months of 1950 will strive to avoid any interference with the CHEY appeal.
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> " 'We are confident that careful planning and zealous support of both of these church-wide projects will be met with a response adequate for the goal of each.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees notes with satisfaction this plan of co-operation and calls the attention of the Executive Board to the fact that this plan and the plan of co-operation submitted by the Parish and Church School Board, the Board of Foreign Missions and the Board of American Missions (page 229) fulfills the intention of the 1948 convention action."

This item was received as information.

### (e) *Executive Board Statements on Christian Higher Education Year*

(1) In January, 1950.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board, in connection with the report of the Finance Committee, the Board took the following action:

> "Motion made and carried that the president appoint a committee of two, to draw up and, in co-operation with the Publicity Director of CHEY, to consider giving wide distribution to a statement by the Executive Board concerning the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal."

The president appointed the Rev. G. Morris Smith and Dr. Robbin Wolf to draw up the statement. The statement follows:

> "Whereas, our Christian Colleges and theological seminaries are the Church at work in its indispensable function of education; and
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> "Whereas without them the Christian church would be crippled and immeasurably handicapped; and
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> "Whereas they are the best security against the gradual loss of our precious freedoms; and
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> "Whereas after a careful survey by the Board of Education their needs are accounted to be critical and urgent *now;*
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> "Therefore, the Executive Board of the U.L.C.A. at its first meeting in this year of decision, 1950, calls on all our churches to raise their full quotas toward this Christian Higher Education Year Appeal, and, wherever possible, more than their mathematical quotas, so that our colleges and seminaries may carry on and advance the work of Christian instruction, and thus justify the confidence which our forbears had in us, when amidst toil and great sacrifice, they built these institutions.
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> "With equal faith let us view the appeal as an opportunity for sacrifice in the best of causes, and not rest until the goal not only shall have been fully attained, but far exceeded. The needs of our colleges and seminaries will permit us to do no less."

The Executive Board took the following action concerning the above statement: "Moved and carried that the Drafting Committee in conference with Secretary Reinartz, arrange for the distribution of this statement."

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Officers presented the following report on the distribution of the Executive Board's January 1950 statement on CHEY.

"At the conclusion of its January 1950 meeting the Executive Board adopted a statement calling 'on all our churches to raise their full quotas toward (the- Christian Higher Education Year Appeal, and wherever possible, more than their mathematical quotas.' The Drafting Committee in conference with the secretary and the Rev. Paul E. Valentiner arranged to have a copy of the statement mailed to every pastor in the U.L.C.A. The statement was given to the wire services by the U.L.C.A. News Service. It was published in THE LUTHERAN and in practically every synodical paper. Both Dr. Rees Edgar Tulloss, Director, and the Rev. Paul E. Valentiner, Publicity Director of the CHEY appeal, expressed themselves as being appreciative of the Executive Board's statement."

This item was received as information.

(2) In June 1950.

The June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board, having learned that the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal had reached over 92 per cent of its $6,000,000 goal, took action asking the president to appoint a special committee to draft a statement of gratitude to God for the encouraging progress of the appeal, and urging all congregations to do their part in bringing the appeal to the fullest possible success. President Fry appointed Drs. Robbin B. Wolf, G. Morris Smith and Virgil B. Sease as the drafting committee. The statement follows:

> "Glowing reports from CHEY headquarters and from the widely scattered field-agents for the campaign, lead us in humility to the Throne of Grace, once more to thank God for his goodness to us. The campaign goal, which, at first seemed so far away, now is in the offing—even with almost one third of the congregations yet to be heard from.
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> "Each passing day, each report of progress, suggests that in fixing the goal our sights were too low, that we were content to set the standard, not according to the needs of our struggling institutions, but rather at a point which we hoped we could reach.
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> "Once again, we have underestimated God—once again we have failed to appreciate the eagerness of our members to heed the call to sacrifice and to service.
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> "Statistics seem to foreshadow a baptized membership of 2,000,000 by the year's end. In these days of cheap dollars, a total of $6,000,000 for Christian Education must look small to the world. And how tiny it must seem to the eyes of the Eternal whose bounty to us is unmeasured. But it is never too late to do good—never too late to try to do better. We know that God has blessed us. Faith assures that He will continue to bless.
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> "Let us not be content with a partial victory. The Executive Board has noted the wide variation among area returns and is deeply concerned that every Synod do its full share. Only by such action can we obtain a Memorable Triumph.
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> "At the Des Moines Convention of the General Synod in 1903—a report picturing all too truly the lowly condition of our institutions of that day was termed a 'Jeremiad.' The report was rejected and recommitted. As we go to Des Moines for the 1950 Convention, let us with heads up be singing and proclaiming to the sons and daughters of the church 'Onward Christian Students.' 'At long last, the Church has come to realize that you are among the most precious of our treasures.'"

The Executive Board took the following actions concerning the above statement:

> "Moved and seconded that the statement be approved and broadcast through the Church."

The motion carried.

> "Moved and seconded that President Fry be requested to send a letter to the synodical presidents commending the CHEY results thus far, but bidding them not to rest until satisfied that every member has been informed of the purpose of the CHEY appeal and been afforded an opportunity to participate."

The motion carried.

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the president made the following report:

"Following the instructions of the June 1950 meeting, the president distributed the new statement of this Board concerning Christian Higher Education Year to the presidents of the synods on July 3, 1950. The accompanying letter of commendation of this statement read:

> "'The Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church shared the elation of us all when it formally received news of the stirring progress of the Christian Higher Education Year appeal during its sessions last Monday and Tuesday.
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> "'The Board's joy was so glowing and infectious that it overflowed into a new statement. I am transmitting a copy of it to you at once.

> "'There is a freshness of tone and a vivacity in these paragraphs which make them very readable. The Executive Board expresses the hope through me that you will find a lift in this new statement and will circulate it widely. We are particularly eager for it to have an effect upon the congregations which have delayed their response to the Christian Higher Education Year appeal until now.'"

The Exectuive Board received this item as information.

### 2. Board of Education—Resignation of Rev. Henry H. Bagger and Rev. F. R. Knubel and ad interim election of Rev. Arthur H. Buehlow and Rev. Gerald G. Neely

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"Vice the Revs. Henry H. Bagger and Frederick R. Knubel, resigned causa election to the Executive Board and acceptance of the same, the Board of Education, at its meeting on December 1-2, 1948, nominated the Rev. Arthur F. Buehlow, Guelph, Ontario, and the Rev. Gerald G. Neely, York, Pennsylvania, for terms expiring in 1952.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS to the Executive Board the election of the Rev. Arthur H. Buehlow and the Rev. Gerald G. Neely, to the Board of Education for the term expiring in 1952."

The recommendation was adopted.

"On motion the secretary cast the ballot of the Executive Board for the Rev. Arthur H. Buehlow and the Rev. Gerald G. Neely as members of the Board of Education, term expiring 1952. The president declared them elected."

### 3 Board of Education—Employment of additional staff member approved

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"At its meeting on December 1-2, 1948, the Board of Education, after reaffirming its action of June 14, 1944, looking toward the securing of an additional staff secretary, and its action of June 20, 1945, of the same general purport, approved a recommendation of its Executive Committee 'that the officers seek permission from the Executive Board to obtain an additional staff secretary.' The procedure is in recognition of the 1948 convention action (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 141, 337) designating the Executive Board as the reviewing agency which must approve the creation of all new positions involving the employment of salaried members of executive staffs of boards.

"Your committee has considered the matter carefully, recognizing on the one hand the change that has taken place in the scope of the board's work with the transfer of student work to the National Lutheran Council, yet recognizing also the recent drastic reduction of the board's secretarial staff through the retirement of two of its secretaries in the face of the continuing and enlarging needs of the Church for both labor and leadership in the fields and functions committed to the Board of Education. We believe there is abundant justification for the employment of the proposed additional staff member.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board grant the request of the Board of Education and authorize the employment of the proposed additional staff secretary."

The recommendation was adopted.

Special Board of Education presentation at 1948 meeting of California Synod see V, B, 1, p. 195, of this report.

### 4. Board of Education—Resignation of Dr. C. E. Brehm and ad interim election of Dr. Erland Nelson

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Board of Education reports the resignation of Dr. C. E. Brehm, a member whose term expires in 1954, and its action at its meeting of June 21, accepting the same with regret.

"The Board of Education further voted

> " 'that Dr. Erland Nelson be placed in nomination to the Executive Board to fill the unexpired term of Dr. C. E. Brehm, resigned, term expiring, 1954.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the chairman of the Committee on Boards and Committees be instructed to cash the ballot of the Executive Board for Dr. Erland Nelson as a member of the Board of Education, term expiring 1954."

The Executive Board adopted the recommendation.

"The chairman of the Committee on Boards and Committees cast the ballot of the Executive Board for the election of Dr. Erland Nelson to membership in the Board of Education, to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Dr. C. E. Brehm, term expiring 1954.

"The president declared Dr. Nelson elected."

### 5. Revision of Part I, 1949 U.L.C.A. budget, Board of Education for N. L. Division of Student Service

(See III, 33, a, p. 161, of this report.)

### 6. Stewardship program for children and youth

(See II, 7, p. 92, of this report.)

### 7. Inter-Board conferences regarding co-operation among Deaconess Training Schools and the Colleges of the U.L.C.A.

(See VI, B, iii, 5, p. 221, of this report.)

### 8. Possible joint sponsorship of Lutheran voluntary work camps

(See VII, E, 7, p. 404, of this report.)

## v. BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

### 1. Board of Foreign Missions and Diaconate in India

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report:

"In January 1947 the Executive Board concurred in the findings of a joint committee of seven appointed to consider the establishment of the diaconate in India. This fact and the report of that committee are recorded on page 150 of the 1948 convention minutes. The final paragraph states: 'If and when it seems desirable to establish the indigenous diaconate, plans for the same shall be formulated by the Church in India and submitted to the Board of Foreign Missions for review.'

"The responding action of the Executive Board specified that the Executive Board 'shall be kept informed as to developments.' Various stages in that process of information are recorded at the foot of p. 150 and on the whole of p. 151 of the 1948 minutes.

"At the February meeting of the Board of Foreign Missions, a long extract from the January 1949 A.E.L.C. (Andhra Evangelical Lutheran Church) Executive Council Minutes was reported, regarding the establishment of the Diaconate in India. The final paragraph of this action was:

> "'Because the special study of the diaconate which has been conducted in this past year has created much interest, which interest should be conserved and used, voted that we instruct the committee to prepare plans to establish a diaconate and present them at the April meeting of the Executive Council.'

"The Board of Foreign Missions, noting this, took the following action:

> "'Voted (a) that the final decision on the establishment of the Diaconate in India be postponed until the next meeting of the board, with a view to receiving the detailed plans, which will be worked out by the A.E.L. Church in their April minutes;
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> "'Voted (b) that the executive secretary confer with the Women's Missionary Society and the Board of Deaconess Work regarding the plans of the A.E.L. Church for the establishment of the Diaconate, and request them to consider favorably the request of the A.E.L. Church to permit the two deaconesses to remain in India for the present.'

"The A.E.L.C. Executive Council at the meeting on April 27-28, 1949, and the Executive Committee of the India Mission on April 28, 1949, approved fuller details of the whole plan. These actions read as follows:

> "'Minutes of the A.E.L.C. Executive Council:
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> "'"1. Voted that the Executive Council Minutes No. 24 be revised as follows:
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> "'"Item 134 III b) change 'An Executive Secretary' to 'A Consultant'
> c) suitable Telugu name be chosen for Diaconate
> "'"Item 135 b) change 'Motherhouse' to 'Deaconess Home' and 'Executive Secretary' to 'Consultant'
> d) change 'Motherhouse' to 'Deaconess Home'
>
> "'"2. Voted that the recurring budget for the Diaconate be made up from the following sources of income:
> "'"(a) A share of the Church Offerings;
> (b) A share of the American subsidy;
> (c) Income from Deaconess service;
> (d) Gifts
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> "'"3. Voted that the following tentative budget for the next triennium be approved and submitted to the Home Board—
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> First year— Maintenance Rs. 2400 Promotional Work 300
> 2 Deaconesses
> Total 2700
> Second year— Maintenance Rs.4000 Promotional Work 300
> Total 4300
> 4 Deaconesses
> Third year— Maintenance Rs.5500 Promotional Work 300
> Total 5800
> 6 Deaconesses
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> "'"4. Location of the Deaconess Home
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> "'"A Deconess Home is a stable, organized Christian community providing the deaconess with training in theory, practice and Churchly association; with direction and oversight in her life and work; with life-long maintenance and fellowship with others of like faith and interest.
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> "'"The location of the Deaconess Home should be made in consideration of these functions of the Home; together with the other two objectives of the Board, i.e. to awaken a general interest in the office and work of the deaconess, and to undertake therewith such forms of Deaconess Ministry as deemed necessary. It was—

"'"Voted that we inform the Executive Council that we are unable to recommend the location of the Deaconess Home at this time.

"'"5. Voted that we request the Home Board to permit Sister Edna Hill to remain in India until the completion of a five-year period.

"'"6. Voted that we recommend to the Home Board to permit Sister Margaret Fry to remain in India on regular missionary status.

"'"7. Voted that Sister Edna Hill and Sister Margaret Fry be requested to continue promotional work and that if any candidates are forthcoming this committee be empowered to function until the Board is established."

"'Minutes of the Executive Committee of the India Mission.

"'"Voted,

"'"1. To instruct the committee to choose a suitable Telugu name for the Deaconess Home.

"'"2. That the tentative budget prepared for the next triennium be approved and submitted to the Home Board.

"'"3. That we request the Home Board to permit Sister Edna Hill to remain in India until the completion of a five-year period.

"'"4. That we recommend to the Home Board that Sister Margaret Fry remain in India on regular missionary status.

"'"5. With reference to the request that the Repalle Men's Compound be made available for the Deaconess Home.

"'"That we agree on this on a temporary basis."'

"The Board of Foreign Missions took the following action:

"'Voted (1) that the Board of Foreign Missions approve the plan of the A.E.L. Church for the establishment of the Diaconate in India;

"'Voted (2) that we request the Women's Missionary Society to share the support of this work, including the payment of the annual budget and the salaries and travel of the deaconesses;

"'Voted (3) that we request the Deaconess Board to continue to grant the services of Sister Edna Hill for a full five-year term, ending September, 1952;

"'Voted (4) that we request the Deaconess Board to grant the services of Sister Margaret Fry to serve as a regular missionary of our Board, according to our rules regarding length of term, furlough, allowances, etc.'

"Dr. Gotwald, executive secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions gives this explanation:

"'The action was taken only after lengthy discussion in committee and in the meeting of the board. This action, too, you note contains two requests, one to the Deaconess Board and one to the Women's Missionary Society. It will be impossible to put into final execution the decision of the board until the Women's Missionary Society and the Deaconess Board take action. Hence final decision on the matter, from this side, must await the replies from these two organizations and that will be at our next board meeting in October. This, therefore, is reported at present for the information of the U.L.C.A. Executive Board. Final action may be taken at the October, 1949, meeting of the Board of Foreign Missions.'

"A letter from Miss Nona M. Diehl, executive secretary of the Women's Missionary Society, dated August 2, 1949 to Secretary Reinartz states that in reply to the request of the Board of Foreign Missions the action of the Executive Board Women's Missionary Society is as follows:

"'(a) That in view of our present commitments and in consideration of all requests, we regret that we find it impossible to share in the support of the establishment of the Diaconate in the Andhra Lutheran Church in India.

> "'(b) That as of January 1, 1950, the Women's Missionary Society discontinue the support of the two deaconesses now in India.'

"Miss Diehl states that 'the above action, as well as all the actions taken at this meeting of our board were taken only after very serious consideration of the many requests before us, all of which are increasing in financial commitments. The Executive Board is faced with the problem of continuing the support of the work we have already undertaken, or of discontinuing some of the work to which we are already committed in favor of the establishment of new work as in the case of the Diaconate in India.'

"Your Committee on Boards and Committees submits the above as information."

This item was received as information.

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Committee on Boards and Committees submits the following actions of the Board of Foreign Missions at its meeting June 20, 21, 1950 for information:

> I. "'Voted (a) that we comply with the request of the Andhra Evangelical Lutheran Church to delay action on the matter of the Diaconate in India until after we receive the report of the meeting of the July 1950 A.E.L.C. Executive Council.
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> "'(b) that after the report from the A.E.L.C. Executive Council is received, the Committee on the Diaconate in India of the Board of Foreign Missions be authorized to meet with a similar committee of the Board of Deaconess Work for consultations as to whether or not a Diaconate should be established in India.
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> II. "'Voted (a) that the Board of Foreign Missions express its appreciation to the Board of Deaconess Work for the services of the two deaconesses, Sister Edna Hill and Sister Margaret Fry, who were loaned to our Board and the A.E.L. Church in India during the past two years or more.
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> "'(b) that, futher, we express our appreciation and thanks to Sister Edna Hill and Sister Margaret Fry for the excellent services they rendered the Board and the A.E.L. Church in India, by surveying the field, presenting the need, and making the A.E.L. Church interested in and eager for taking a forward step toward establishing the Diaconate in the Church in India;
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> "'(c) that those two Sisters, Sister Edna Hill and Sister Margaret Fry be continued on regular furlough salary until August 31, 1950.
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> "'(d) and, finally, that we return to the Board of Deaconess Work, as from September 1, 1950, the services of Sister Edna Hill and Sister Margaret Fry, which were loaned to the Board of Foreign Missions for the past two years or more.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees Recommends that the Executive Board approve the conference recommended in 1 (b)."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 2. Pension and Salary Plan of Board of Foreign Missions

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"In the Board of Foreign Missions' minutes of February, 1949, we read:

> "'Voted (a) that we approve in principle a plan for pensions for missionaries whereby the Board of Foreign Missions and the Women's Missionary Society make payments to the U.L.C.A. Board of Pensions and Relief to such amounts as may be necessary to guarantee that missionaries, who have served not less than twenty-five years, upon retirement at the age prescribed in our rules,

> shall receive from the U.L.C.A. Board of Pensions and Relief total annual pension allowances of:
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> | "'(1) Married couples | $1,500 |
> | (2) Single men and women, including widowers | 1,000 |
> | (3) Widows | 750 |
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> "'Voted (b) that the Council of Secretaries, together with two representatives of the Finance Committee, in consultation with the executive secretary of the U.L.C.A. Board of Pensions and Relief and the actuarial consultant, work out the final details of this plan, and bring detailed recommendations regarding the same to the next meeting of the board, with a view to putting this plan into effect from January 1, 1950.
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> "'Voted (c) that beginning January 1, 1949, retired misisonaries on our present pension roll be paid by this board whatever amount is necessary to supplement other pension income from church sources so as to make their total annual income—
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> |---|---|
> | "'(1) Married couples | $1,500 |
> | (2) Single men and women, including widowers | 1,000 |
> | (3) Widows | 750 |
>
> "'Preliminary consultations have been held by the executive secretary with the executive secretary of the U.L.C.A. Board of Pensions and Relief and the actuarial consultant, regarding further details of this plan. The financial implications of this plan for the 1950 budget of the Board of Foreign Missions and the Women's Missionary Society are on attached sheets. Also attached are Tentative Rules Proposed by the Actuarial Consultant.
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> "'Recommended (a) that we authorize the officers of the Board and of the Women's Missionary Society to sign an agreement with the officers of the U.L.C.A. Board of Pensions and Relief to the effect that that Board should administer the whole scheme of pensions for our missionaries;
>
> "'(b) that we approve of the rules proposed for this plan (See page 174, Minutes, Board of Foreign Missions)
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> "'*Referred back to the Administration Committee*
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> "'VOTED (a) that we instruct the Finance Committee, in the preparation of their 1950 budget, to make provisions for meeting the obligations of this pension plan (see page 613).
>
> "'(b) that we ask the Women's Missionary Society, in the preparation of their 1950 budget, to make provisions for meeting the obligations of this plan (see page 613).'

"By way of further information we report that Miss Nona M. Diehl, executive secretary of the Women's Missionary Society has communicated to Secretary Reinartz an action taken by the Executive Board of the Women's Missionary Society on July 27-28, (the minutes of that meeting being not yet available) as follows:

> "'Believing that it is not the function of an auxiliary of the Church to enter into a funding program for pensions for foreign missionaries, the Women's Missionary Society awaits the approval of the Executive Board of the Church and the Board of Foreign Missions. Therefore, this item has not been placed in the proposed 1950 budget.'

"Miss Diehl stated that one of the reasons for this action was the financial one which also compelled the Women's Missionary Society to decline the invitation to participate in the establishment of the Diaconate in India.

"Your Committee on Boards and Committees would note that the financial implications of the proposed Pension Plan for 1950 alone would run to a total of $53,700 for the Board of Foreign Missions (an increase of $35,600) and to a total of $32,300 for the Women's Missionary Society (an increase of $24,100).

"Your Committee would also express the judgment that there is no limitation of the functions of the Women's Missionary Society as an auxiliary of the Church which would of necessity debar it from participating in the proposed funding program.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board call the attention of the Board of Foreign Missions and the Executive Board of the Women's Missionary Society to the following action of the 1940 convention of The United Lutheran Church in America, pages 78, 147:

> " 'No board shall undertake to change any of its pension provisions as they existed at the time of the Baltimore Convention, except as approved by The United Lutheran Church in America in convention.' "

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

*New Salary and pension arrangements*

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"Your Committee notes from the Minutes of the Board of Foreign Missions, pages 52-55, of the February 6-8, 1950 meeting, that the Board approved a 'new program of salaries, expenses and pensions—effective in January 1950.'

"The action on pensions was as follows:

> " '*C. Pensions*
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> " '1. All missionaries who are eligible must join the U.L.C.A. Contributory Pension Plan. The expense of complying with this requirement has been one of the considerations in fixing the basic salaries.
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> " '2. Payments to the Contributory Pension Plan shall be based on the basic field or furlough salary, plus 15 percent for living quarters, in accordance with the rules of the U.L.C.A. Contributory Plan.
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> " '3. The Board of Foreign Missions' share of payment shall be according to the Contributory Pension Plan of the U.L.C.A., that is, 4 percent of the basic field or furlough salary, plus 15 percent for living quarters, except as noted in the next paragraph.
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> " '4. In view of the short time in which missionaries at present in the ten-twenty-years service group and the twenty-or-more-years service group will have to pay; and in view of the increase granted to these groups in their basic salaries at this time, the Board of Foreign Missions shall pay (and the missionaries who are now in these two service groups shall pay) at the rate of 6 percent in the ten-twenty-years service group and at the rate of 8 percent in the twenty-or-more-years service group.
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> " '5. Missionaries may pay into the Contributory Pension Plan more than the minimum amounts indicated in paragraphs 3 and 4 above, but the Board will not match such excess amounts.
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> " '6. Upon retirement, the missionary shall receive whatever is due him from the Non-contributory and Contributory Pension Plan of the U.L.C.A.
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> " '7. When the length of pension payments has been relatively short, and in the case of missionaries who have served the Board but are not eligible for membership in the U.L.C.A. Contributory Pension Plan, the Board of Foreign Missions will consider each case as it arises.'

"The 1940 Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America took the following action:

> " 'No Board shall undertake to change any of its pension provisions as they existed at the time of the Baltimore Convention, except as approved by The United Lutheran Church in America in Convention.' (1940 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 78, 147)

"The United Lutheran Church in America approved the Contributory Pension Plan for all pastors and missionaries, explicitly mentioning missionaries. (Article II, (b) of the Constitution of the Contributory Pension Plan; 1942 U.L.C.A. Minutes, page 92).

"Article V of the same plan opens to 'both the member and his congregation' the privilege of making additional, optional contributions. This article reads:

> " 'Both the member and his congregation, to the extent permitted by rules and regulations of the Pension Board, may respectively make additional contributions which shall be allocated, administered and applied as member contributions as provided in Article III and as congregation contributions as provided in Article IV, respectively.'

"The terms of this article are deliberately intended to apply to the Board of Foreign Missions among others according to the definition in Article I (f) which says, 'the term "congregation" shall mean the congregation or other organization paying salary to a member.'

"Paragraph 7 of the new plan of the Board of Foreign Missions regarding pensions retains the principle of separate consideration of each individual case which had obtained in operations of that board prior to the 1938 convention.

"In the light of these actions your Committee feels that Section 'C' regarding pensions is entirely acceptable as adopted by the Board of Foreign Missions. However, in view of the fact that this entire proposal represents a substantial revision of past practice and in reality is the adoption of a new comprehensive policy, the

"Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board suggest to the Board of Foreign Missions that it seek the approval of the 1950 Convention of the Church for its new policy.

"This suggestion is not meant to imply that the new schedule should not be effective from the beginning of 1950."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 3. Election of Representatives on Board of Foreign Missions from Augustana Lutheran Church

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"The terms of office of Dr. P. O. Bersell and Dr. S. Hjalmar Swanson, as representative and alternate representative respectively of the Augustana Lutheran Church on the Board of Foreign Missions, having expired, the Board of Foreign Missions nominates them to succeed themselves and requests the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church to elect them for a six-year term expiring 1954.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the chairman of this committee be instructed to cast the ballot of the Executive Board for Dr. P. O. Bersell to represent the Augustana Lutheran Church on the Board of Foreign Missions, for a six-year-term expiring 1954; and for Dr. S. Hjalmar Swanson as alternate representative for the same term."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"The chairman of the Committee on Boards and Committees cast the ballot for Dr. P. O. Bersell to represent the Augustana Lutheran Church on the Board of Foreign Missions for a six-year term expiring 1954; and a ballot for Dr. S. Hjalmar Swanson as alternate for the same term.

"The president declared them elected."

### 4. Election of Representatives to Board of Foreign Missions from United Evangelical Lutheran Church

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Board of Foreign Missions reports that Rev. J. M. T. Winther, representative of the United Evangelical Lutheran Church on the U.L.C.A. Foreign Mission Board, has returned to Japan, to live there as a retired missionary, and is therefore unable to serve any longer.

"The Board of Foreign Missions of the United Evangelical Lutheran Church nominates the Rev. J. P. Nielsen, Blair, Nebraska, to complete the term expiring 1952. It also nominates Professor Paul Nyholm, Trinity Seminary, Blair, Nebraska, as alternate for the same term, and requests the Executive Board of the U.L.C.A. to elect them for the term expiring 1952.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Chairman of this Committee be instructed to cast the ballot of the Executive Board for Rev. J. P. Nielsen to represent the United Evangelical Lutheran Church on the Board of Foreign Missions for the term expiring 1952; and for Professor Paul Nyholm as alternate representative for the same term."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"The Chairman of the Committee on Boards and Committees cast the ballot of the Executive Board for the Rev. J. P. Nielsen to represent the United Evangelical Lutheran Church on the Board of Foreign Missions for the term expiring 1952; and the ballot for Professor Paul Nyholm as alternate representative for the same term.

"The president declared them elected."

### 5. Revision of Proposed Article XV of the U.L.C.A.'s Constitution

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"At its 1948 convention (U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 112) the United Lutheran Church approved, for submission to the Synods, an amendment to the Constitution adding an Article on Affiliated Churches, reading as follows:

> "'Article XV. Affiliated Churches
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> "'Section 1. Any Evangelical Lutheran Church which has been fostered by the Board of Foreign Missions of The United Lutheran Church in America, and which has accepted this Constitution with its Doctrinal Basis as set forth in Article II, and whose constitution has been approved by the Executive Board, may be received into relationship with The United Lutheran Church in America as an Affiliated Church by a majority vote at any regular convention.
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> "'Section 2. Each Affiliated Church shall be entitled to representation at the conventions of The United Lutheran Church in America by two representatives chosen in such manner as the constitution of the Affiliated Church may specify. These representatives shall be entitled to seat and voice but shall have no vote in the conventions of The United Lutheran Church in America.
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> "'Section 3. (a) Affiliated Churches shall welcome and receive the counsel of The United Lutheran Church in America as such counsel is offered to them through the United Lutheran Church in convention assembled, the Executive Board, or the Board of Foreign Missions.

> "'(b) The United Lutheran Church in America shall manifest interest and solicitude in the life and development of the affiliated Churches with concern for their special problems, aspirations and needs.'

"The Secretary of the Church reports that all thirty-two of our synods have ratified the proposed amendment, and it is clear that at the 1950 convention it will be declared adopted.

"The Board of Foreign Missions, however, now feels that the first of the two conditions laid down in Article *XV*, Section 1, namely that it accept 'this Constitution with its doctrinal basis as set forth in Article II,' seems to place an unusual and unnecessary obligation upon such Affiliated Churches. The purpose of this new Article XV is to place Affiliated Churches on an equal level with, rather than in a subordinate position to, The United United Lutheran Church in America. It seems, therefore, that it would be sufficient to accomplish that end if any such church would accept (1) the doctrinal basis of The United Lutheran Church in America as set forth in Article II, and also would accept (2) the relationship of an Affiliated Church as set forth in Article XV. It does *not* seem necessary that such an Affiliated Church should have *to accept the whole constitution of the* United Lutheran Church. Certainly there are many articles and details contained in the constitution of The United Lutheran Church in America which do not apply to, or need the acceptance of, an Affiliated Church.

"The Board agrees that the other condition, namely that the constitution of such an Affiliated Church shall be approved by the Executive Board before it becomes an Affiliated Church with The United Lutheran Church in America, seems to be a reasonable condition to which no Affiliated Church would object, since the relationship becomes one of mutual recognition by bodies of parallel autonomy.

"The Board therefore voted 'that the Board of Foreign Missions approach the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America and request them to express their concurrence with our Board in proposing, at the October 1950 Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America, the following Amendment to Article XV, Section 1 of the Constitution of The United Lutheran Church in America:

> " 'In place of the words, *"which has accepted the Constitution with its Doctrinal Basis as set forth* in Article II," substitute the words:
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> '*"which has declared itself* to be in general accord with this constitution and *which has accepted the Doctrinal Basis* of The United Lutheran Church in America as set forth in Article II (Doctrinal Basis) of its Constitution, and Article XV (Affiliated Churches) of this Constitution." '

"The Committee on Boards and Committees believes that the Board of Foreign Missions is wise in proposing an amendment to Article XV, Section 1, but also believes that the amendment should go even further, and not hinder any development of polity whatsoever in these daughter churches as long as they accept the doctrinal basis of The United Lutheran Church in America.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees therefore RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board concur in the proposed amendment to Article XV, Section 1, provided the wording of the substitute be as follows:

> " 'which has accepted Article II (Doctrinal Basis) and Article XV (Affiliated Churches) of this Constitution.' "

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report:

"The Board of Foreign Missions took the following action at its meeting in June 1950.

> " 'Voted that the Board of Foreign Missions, with the concurrence of the Executive Board recommend to the 1950 convention of The United Lutheran Church in America that it adopt the following:
>
> " 'Resolved that this Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America approve for submission to the synods, the following amendment to the Constitution of The United Lutheran Church in America:
>
> " 'Amend Article XV, Section 1, as follows:
>
> " 'In place of the words, *"which has accepted the Constitution with its Doctrinal Basis as set forth in Article II,"* substitute the words:
>
> *"which has accepted Article II (Doctrinal Basis) and Article XV (Affiliated Churches) of this Constitution."* '

"This is in harmony with the suggestion of the Executive Board (Executive Board Minutes, April 1950, pp. 774-775)."

This item was received as information.

**6. Additional Staff Secretary for Board of Foreign Missions**

(Minutes, February 6-8, 1950, p. 4, Board of Foreign Missions)

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendations:

> " 'Upon recommendation of its Executive Committee the Board voted:
> " '(a) that the Board now make an effort to secure an additional secretary for our staff with duties as follows:
>
> " 'a. Recruiting of candidates
> b. Securing of Special Gifts
> c. General presentation of the cause of Foreign Missions to institutions, congregations, and individuals throughout the Church.
>
> " '(b) that the Board extend a call to the Rev.................................................., of .........................................., to become a Secretary of the Board with duties as outlined in the foregoing paragraph, at a salary of $5,000 per annum, with living allowance of $1,200 per annum, his service with the Board to begin as soon as possible.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees reports to the Executive Board that the Rev. .................................................. has declined the call of the Board of Foreign Missions to the new staff position described above.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees Recommends that the Executive Board officially call the attention of the Board of Foreign Missions to the action of the 1948 Convention of the U.L.C.A. (Minutes, pp. 141, 337) requiring the approval of the Executive Board before any enlargement of staff is undertaken by any of the boards of the Church.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees Recommends that the Secretary be instructed to address an inquiry to the Board of Foreign Missions as to whether it at this time desires the Executive Board to give consideration to the question of the establishment of the new staff secretary outlined above."

The recommendations were adopted by the Executive Board.

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"At the June 20, 21, 1950 meeting of the Board of Foreign Missions the following action was taken:

> "'VOTED that the Board of Foreign Missions request the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church to give approval to the Board of Foreign Missions to call an additional staff secretary.'

"The work analysis is as follows:

"Title: FIELD SECRETARY

"Duties: 1. *In Charge of Recruiting and Candidates, including:*

- a. All correspondents re candidates
- b. In charge of candidate processing:
  - 1. Examinations: A.M.M.O.
  - 2. Examinations: Psychological
  - 3. Gathering references
  - 4. Other details
- c. Organize and develop this department
  - 1. Study other Boards' methods
  - 2. Revise and improve our forms
- d. Secretary of Candidates Committee of Board of Foreign Missions

"2. *Field Work, including:*

- a. Visits to Colleges and Seminaries
- b. When possible, attendance at Synodical or Conference meetings
- c. Encouraging college mission study or project groups
- d. Promotion of Board of Foreign Missions' program in congregations, inc. Special Gifts

"3. *Other Relationships:*

- a. Member, FMC Committee on Missionary Personnel
- b. Correspondent with—
  - 1. Student Volunteer Movement
  - 2. Lutheran Student Association
  - 3. Board of Education—Christian Vocations
  - 4. Personnel Committee of Women's Missionary Society

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board approve the calling of an additional staff secretary by the Board of Foreign Missions as suggested."

The recommendation was adopted.

### 7. Invitation to President of U.L.C.A. to Attend 60th Anniversary of the Japan Mission

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report:

"At the June 20, 21, 1950 meeting of the Board of Foreign Missions the request of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Japan that the President of the U.L.C.A. be present at the 60th anniversary celebration of the Church in 1952 was presented and the following action taken:

> "'VOTED (a) that we extend the invitation from the Japan Lutheran Church to the President of the Church to attend the 60th Anniversary of the Church in 1952, and urge him to give this invitation his favorable consideration.'"

This item was received as information.

### 8. Possible Co-operation in Japan with Evangelical Lutheran Church and Augustana Lutheran Church

(See VII, E, 9, p. 405, of this report.)

### 9. Participation by Canadian Baptist Mission in Andhra Christian College, India

(See VIII, E, 8, p. 511, of this report.)

**10. Co-operation of American Lutheran Church in Andhra Christian College**

(See VII, E, 14, p. 412, of this report.)

**11. Request from Board of Foreign Missions for Approval of Membership on United Board for Christian Colleges in China**

(See VII, E, 12, p. 411, of this report.)

**12. Amendments to Constitution of Evangelical Lutheran Church in Liberia Approved by that Church as Recommended by 1948 Convention of U.L.C.A.**

(See V, B, 43, a, p. 208, of this report.)

**13. Constitution of Evangelical Lutheran Church in Japan Approved**

(See V, B, 43, c, p. 210, of this report.)

## vi. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF LUTHERAN LAYMEN'S MOVEMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP

### 1. Executive Committee of the Laymen's Movement, Ten Members Elected to Membership

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

> "By-laws, Section V, (d), Item 7. 'The Executive Committee of the Laymen's Movement, consisting of ten members, shall have power to double its membership during the biennium, upon nomination to and election by the Executive Board.'

"At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Laymen's Movement, held on October 12, 1948, ten additional members were not only nominated for membership on the Executive Committee of the Laymen's Movement but elected as well. Their names follow:

"Charles Bruning, New York
Charles H. Esser, Kutztown
Paul I. Folkemer, Baltimore
Peter P. Hagan, Philadelphia
Walter O. Helwig, Milwaukee
Edward J. Hoffman, Buffalo
Harold U. Landis, Palwyn
Eugene H. Rights, Denver
Clarence L. Schust, Fort Wayne
Belding B. Slifer, Philadelphia

"The Committee on Boards and Committees Recommends that the Executive Board regularize this action by receiving these names at this time as the duly submitted nominations of the Executive Committee of the Laymen's Movement and elect these ten men to serve for the biennium 1948-1950 as members of the enlarged Executive Committee of the Laymen's Movement."

The recommendation was adopted.

"On motion the secretary cast the ballot of the Executive Board for the following as members of the Executive Committee of the Laymen's Movement, term expiring 1950: Charles Bruning; Charles H. Esser; Paul I. Folkemer; Peter P. Hagan; Walter O. Helwig; Edward J. Hoffman; Harold U. Landis; Eugene H. Rights; Clarence L. Schust; Belding B. Slifer. The president declared them elected."

### 2. Executive Board's Expression of Appreciation to Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship Concerning Its "Venture of Faith."

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board, Stewardship Secretary, Mr. Henry Endress, reported the Laymen's Movement for Stewardship decision to bear the total cost of the operations of the Stewardship Department of the Church starting in January 1952. In grateful response to this announcement the Executive Board requested the President to appoint a member of the Board to draft a statement expressing the Board's appreciation to the Laymen's Movement. Following is the Executive Board's June 1950 minute on this item:

*"SPECIAL STATEMENT*

"The statement prepared by the Hon. Charles B. Zimmerman, expressing the Executive Board's appreciation of the decision of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement to bear the full costs of stewardship promotion beginning in 1952, was heard at this point. The following is the statement presented:

> "In recognition of the report of the Stewardship Office that because of an arrangement with the Lutheran Laymen's Movement, it, the Stewardship Office, will request no funds from the U.L.C.A. apportionment income for the years 1952 and 1953 and thereafter, the Executive Board expresses its joy and satisfaction over this good news and its appreciation to the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for its generous action."

The statement was adopted by the Executive Board as an expression of its sentiments.

3. **Election of Stewardship Secretary, Mr. Henry Endress**

(See II, 2, (a), p. 87, of this report.)

4. **Election of Executive Director of Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship, Mr. Henry Endress**

(See II, 2, (b), p. 88, of this report.)

5. **Election of Associate Stewardship Secretary, Mr. John R. Weaver**

(See II, 2, (c), p. 88, of this report.)

6. **Election of Associate Executive Director of Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship, Mr. John R. Weaver**

(See II, 2, (d), p. 88, of this report.)

7. **Terms of Office for Stewardship Executives**

(See II, 2, (e), p. 89, of this report.)

8. **Stewardship Program for Children and Youth**

(See II, 7, p. 92, of this report.)

9. **Motion Picture Reserve Fund**

(See III, 10, (a) and (b), pp. 122-123, of this report.)

10. **Stewardship Sermon Outlines, "The Gospel of Giving"**

(See VI, C, vii, 7, p. 289, of this report.)

11. **Request of Board of Social Missions that Inner Missions be the Subject of the Next Stewardship Motion Picture Produced by the Stewardship Department.**

(See VI, B, x, 5, p. 270, of this report.)

12. **Election to Fill Vacancies in Executive Committee of Laymen's Movement**

(See II, 3, p. 90, of this report.)

### 13. Budget for 1949 and for 1950

(See II, 4, p. 90, of this report.)

### 14. Pamphlet on Christian Wills—"Investments in Human Progress"

(See II, 5, p. 90, of this report.)

## vii. PARISH AND CHURCH SCHOOL BOARD

### 1. Parish and Church School Board, Department of Audio-Visual Aids Established; The Rev. George B. Ammon Called as Secretary in Charge

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report:

"In January 1948 the Executive Board after consultation with the Allocation Commission granted a request of the Parish and Church School Board for funds for a department of audio-visual aids. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 81) The granting of these funds is regarded by the Parish and Church School Board as permission to establish the department formally and secure a secretary for the same. The Parish and Church School Board now informs us that on December 8, 1948, the Rev. George B. Ammon was called to fill the position of secretary in charge of audio-visual aids and has accepted as of January 1, 1949. This is reported for INFORMATION."

This item was received as information.

### 2. Parish and Church School Board—Children of the Church Budget for 1950 and for 1951

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"The following budget for the Children of the Church in 1950 has been submitted to the Executive Board for approval.

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|---|---|
| Board of Foreign Missions—continued assistance for children's work in Japan.... | $ 3,000 |
| Board of American Missions—building of a church in a state where there is no U.L.C.A. church at present | 3,000 |
| Board of Deaconess Work—give aid to a deaconess brought from Europe for a year's study in America | 1,000 |
| Board of Pensions and Relief—support of twenty dependent children | 1,000 |
| Board of Education—give aid to Lutheran men and women in our Lutheran seminaries and colleges in Canada | 1,100 |
| Board of Social Missions—support of character building activities (clubs, camps, etc. for older people through the Inner Mission Agencies connected with the U.L.C.A.) | 1,000 |
| Parish and Church School Board—help bring more children into the church and the church schools | 900 |
| National Lutheran Council—help for new American children coming to America through Lutheran World Action | 2,000 |
| Children of the Church—promotional expenses, including annual work kits and leaders' aids | 2,000 |
| TOTAL | $15,000" |

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS approval."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

The following has been submitted by the Parish and Church School Board:

> "'*Proposed Budget of Objectives for The Children of the Church—1951*
>
> (The total amount and the distribution to each board are the same as in 1950. The difference is in the objectives for the boards. The executive secretary of each board has approved these objectives.)

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|---|---|
| *Board of Foreign Missions*<br>Children's Ward in Phebe Hospital—Liberia | $ 3,000 |
| *Board of American Missions*<br>Furnishing a Mission Sunday School | $ 3,000 |
| *Board of Deaconess Work*<br>Audio-visual equipment for deaconesses in training to use in laboratory weekday church schools | $ 1,000 |
| *Board of Education*<br>Train leaders for the future—ministry, full time, women workers | $ 1,000 |
| *Board of Pensions and Relief*<br>Support of 20 dependent children | $ 1,000 |
| *Board of Social Missions*<br>Work among Negro Children in New York City | $ 1,100 |
| *The Parish and Church School Board*<br>Help bring more children into church schools | $ 900 |
| *National Lutheran Council*<br>Aid to DP grandmother and grandfather | $ 2,000 |
| *Children of the Church*<br>Work Kit | $ 2,000 |
| TOTAL | $15,000' |

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board approve the above budget and objectives."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 3. Parish and Church School Board—Encouraging Young People to Enter Teaching Profession

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"On page 557 of the minutes of the 1948 convention of the Church from the report of the Parish and Church School Board, recommendation No. 5 as follows was adopted:

> "'That The United Lutheran Church in America call upon the proper agencies of the Church to give an even greater emphasis than at present toward encouraging young people to enter the teaching profession as a life work.'

"At its December 1948 meeting the Parish and Church School Board took the following action:

> "'That, to assure implementation, a copy of recommendation No. 5 of this same report (report of the board to the U.L.C.A.) be sent to the secretary of The United Lutheran Church in America requesting consideration as early as possible.'

"Your Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board request the secretary of the Church to distribute this action to all agencies which the Parish and Church School Board will indicate."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 4. Election of Dr. Clarence C. Stoughton to Membership—Parish and Church School Board

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Parish and Church School Board has nominated Dr. Clarence C. Stoughton for election to the Board in the place of Mr. Floyd L. Arbogast, deceased, term expiring 1954.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the chairman of this committee be instructed to cast a ballot for Dr. Clarence C. Stoughton as a member of the Parish and Church School Board, term expiring 1954."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"The chairman of the Committee on Boards and Committees cast a ballot for Dr. Clarence C. Stoughton for election to the Parish and Church School Board, term expiring 1954.

"The president declared Dr. Stoughton elected."

### 5. Parish and Church School Board's Request for Conference with Committee on Church Music

At the January, 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Parish and Church School Board received an official letter from the Rev. Henry E. Horn as chiarman of the Committee on Church Music in which by authority of his committee, he referred to the need for five leadership training texts on the general subject of church music. At the December 1949 meeting the Parish and Church School Board manifested interest in the suggestions but prior to a possible publication of the texts either as outlined or in a recast form the Parish and Church School Board desires a conference with the Committee on Church Music. It was voted:

> "'That the letter from the Committee on Church Music be received, and that the Parish and Church School Board ask the Executive Board for permission to confer with the Committee on Church Music on this matter.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board grant permission to the Parish and Church School Board to confer with the Committee on Church Music on the possibility of publishing the suggested leadership training texts in the field of church music."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report:

"The minutes of the Parish and Church School Board for June 28, 1950 contain the following account of the holding and results of the conference which that board was authorized (p. 675) to have with the Committee on Church Music: 'The Executive Board granted our Board permission to confer with the Committee on Church Music concerning their suggestions for texts. Pastor Getz and your Secretary (Executive Secretary Rhyne) met with Pastor Henry Horn (Chairman of the Committee on Church Music). The outcome of our meeting was that Pastor Horn personally has prepared a statement of need for at least two texts on church music which will fit nicely into our elective or leadership series.'"

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 6. Parish and Church School Board—Educational Missionary for Eastern Canada Approved

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"From the Executive Secretary of the Parish and Church School Board the Committee on Boards and Committees has received a report on an action of the Parish and Church School Board by way of a mail vote taken during the first week of April, 1950 reading as follows:

> " 'That, anticipating favorable action on the part of the Canada and Nova Scotia Synods requesting the Parish and Church School Board to place an educational missionary in eastern Canada, we request the Executive Board to approve the placing by the Parish and Church School Board of an educational missionary in eastern Canada, to serve on the territory of the Canada and Nova Scotia Synods. It is understood that her responsibilities will be similar to those of the educational missionary in western Canada (Miss Gillstrom), and that expenses, amounting to $3,500.00 per year, will be furnished by the Women's Missionary Society, as they are for the educational ministry in western Canada.'

"Accompanying this is an extended explanation, the gist of which is to this effect:

"That the initiative has come from the Canadian groups through their Committees of Parish Education and/or their 'executives'; that both the Canada Synod and the Synod of Nova Scotia will almost certainly take favorable action at their coming meetings; that the Women's Missionary Society, through its Executive Secretary and its President planned the inclusion of the necessary amount in the Auxiliary's budget for 1950, which budget will receive final approval in May; and finally that Miss Elfriede Hartig who finishes her course at the Lutheran Training School in Baltimore in May has been trained for this position and stands ready to accept it if it is made available, having been approved for the work by the Parish and Church School Board.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees is somewhat loath to encourage the Executive Board to act favorably on the basis of so many incomplete and anticipated actions of the Synods, the Women's Missionary Society and the Parish and Church School Board; but believes that the circumstances are indeed unusual and therefore

"RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board approve the placing by the Parish and Church School Board of an educational missionary in eastern Canada to serve on the territory of the Canada and Nova Scotia Synods."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 7. Parish and Church School Board—Resignation of Rev. William M. Horn and Ad Interim Election of Rev. Alfred L. Beck

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Parish and Church School Board reports the resignation of the Rev. William M. Horn, who is now a member of the staff of the board.

"The board took action 'That the Rev. Alfred L. Beck of Rochester, N. Y. be nominated to the Executive Board for election to the Parish and Church School Board of The United Lutheran Church in America, vice the Rev. William M. Horn, resigned, term expiring 1952.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board instruct the Chairman of the Committee to cast the ballot of the Board for the Rev.

Alfred L. Beck as a member of the Parish and Church School Board for the term expiring 1952."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"The Chairman of the Committee on Boards and Committees cast the ballot of the Executive Board for the election of the Rev. Alfred L. Beck to membership in the Parish and Church School Board, to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of the Rev. William M. Horn, term expiring 1952.

"The President declared the Rev. Alfred L. Beck elected."

**8. Revision of Part I, 1949 U.L.C.A. Budget, Parish and Church School Board for Department of Church Architecture**

(See III, 33, (a), p. 162, of this report.)

**9. Separate Children of the Church Account Established by Executive Board**

(See III, 12, p. 123, of this report.)

**10. Full Membership in Missionary Education Movement Approved for Parish and Church School Board**

(See VIII, E, 6, p. 509, of this report.)

**11. Stewardship Program for Children and Youth**

(See II, 7, p. 92, of this report.)

**12. Statement on the use of Public Funds for Support of Parochial Schools**

(See IX, 17, p. 560, of this report.)

**13. Parish and Church School Board's Participation in Conference on Joint Sponsorship of Voluntary Work Camps**

(See VII, E, 8, p. 405, of this report.)

**14. Parish and Church School Board Request for Permission to Send Representatives to Convention of World Council of Christian Education Approved**

(See VIII, E, 7, p. 510, of this report.)

**15. Parish and Church School Board, Permission to use Children of the Church Funds as Loans rather than Gifts by Board of American Missions**

(See III, 38, p. 170, of this report.)

## viii. BOARD OF PENSIONS AND RELIEF

**1. Board of Pensions and Relief, Mr. John A. Hoober Elected to Membership**

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"Vice Mr. Otto K. Jensen, resigned causa election to the Executive Board and acceptance of the same, the Board of Pensions and Relief, at its meeting on November 5, nominated Mr. John A. Hoober, York, Pennsylvania, for a term expiring in 1950.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees Recommends to the Executive Board the election of Mr. John A. Hoober to service on the Board of Pensions and Relief for the term expiring in 1950.

The recommendation was adopted.

"On motion the secretary cast the ballot of the Executive Board for Mr. John A. Hoober as a member of the Board of Pensions and Relief, term expiring 1950. The president declared Mr. Hoober elected."

**2. Pension and Salary Plan of Board of Foreign Missions**

(See VI, B, v, 2, p. 242, of this report.)

**3. "The Lutheran Intersynodical Committee on Parish Education Materials" (Co-operation in Publication of The Parish School and Sunday School Story Papers)**

(See VII, E, 11, (a) and (b), p. 410, of this report.)

**4. Inter-Lutheran Co-operation in Slogan and Publicity for Parish Education Month, 1950.**

(See VII, E, 10, (a) and (b), p. 409.)

**5. Possble Joint Sponsorship of Lutheran Voluntary Work Camps**

(See VII, E, 7, p. 404.)

**6. Church School Materials Related to Lutheran World Action**

(See VII, A, 39, (i), p. 371.)

**7. Extension of "Special Pensions" for Years 1952 and 1953**

(See IV, 1, p. 171, of this report.)

**8. Closing of U.L.C.A. Non-Contributory Pension Plan**

(See IV, 2, p. 173, of this report.)

**9. Death Benefit Plan of Board of Pensions and Relief**

(See IV, 3, p. 174, of this report.)

**10. Amendment of By-Laws of Board of Pensions and Relief**

(See IV, 4, p. 179, of this report.)

## ix. BOARD OF PUBLICATION

### 1. Board of Publication—Spanish Language Publications

*(a) Developments to June 1950*

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Board of Publication after discussion of a letter received from the Rev. William Arbaugh, divisional secretary of Latin-American Missions in the Board of American Missions, regarding translations of materials into Spanish and the whole matter of 'the implementation of Spanish speaking missions' took the following action:

> "'(1) That the Board of Publication request the Executive Board to consider the advisability of calling a conference of representatives of all boards and agencies of the Church which are concerned with the publication of materials other than English.
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> "'(2) That the purpose of such conference be to decide in so far as possible, the basic materials for the implementation of mission activities in other lands and among those in the United States and Canada who are more accustomed to some other tongue than English. Further, that the financial support necessary for these essentials be discussed.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board:

"1. Authorize the Board of Publication to call a conference of representatives of all boards and agencies of the Church which are concerned with the publication of materials in the Spanish language.

"2. State that the purpose of such a conference shall be to decide insofar as possible the basic materials for the implementation of mission activities in other lands and among those in the United States who use the Spanish language, and that the financial support necessary for these essentials shall be an item in the discussion.

"3. Ask the Board of Publication to report the results of the conference to the Executive Board through the Committee on Boards and Committees."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"At its meeting on January 26-27, 1949, the Executive Board adopted the following recommendation of the Committee on Boards and Committees:

"The Executive Board record quotes at this point 1, 2 and 3 in the recommendation immediately above. The report then continues:

"The conference took place on April 25, 1949 in the Lutheran Church House, New York City. Mr. H. Torrey Walker presided. Also present were representatives of the Board of American Missions, Board of Foreign Missions, Parish and Church School Board, Board of Social Missions and the president of the Church.

"As a result of this conference, the Board of Publication, at its meeting May 31, 1949 (Minutes, p. 2365) adopted the following recommendations of its executive secretary:

> " 'Recommended that the Executive Committee, subject to the approval of the board, request the Executive Board of the U.L.C.A. to authorize a Continuing Committee on Spanish Publications to be composed of three persons, one representative each from the Board of Publication, the Board of American Missions and the Board of Foreign Missions.
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> " 'Recommended that the Executive Committee, subject to the approval of the board, request the Executive Board of the U.L.C.A. to authorize a Continuing Committee on Spanish Publications to seek assistance and guidance when necessary from the Parish and Church School Board, Board of Social Missions, Committee on Common Service Book, and the Stewardship office.
>
> " 'Recommended that the Executive Committee, subject to the approval of the board, request the Executive Board of the U.L.C.A. to direct the Continuing Committee on Spanish Publications to report regularly to all three boards represented on it, namely, the Board of Publication, the Board of American Missions, and the Board of Foreign Missions, and to the Executive Board.'

"Your Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS

"(1) That the requests contained in the first three recommendations be granted, with the suggestion that, for the sake of clarity, the word 'this' be substituted for the word 'a' in the third line of the second recommendation.

"(2) That the request contained in the fourth recommendation be granted, except that a period shall be placed after the words 'Board of Foreign Missions'; and that the remaining words shall be replaced by the following:

> " 'All recommendations originating with this committee which will require action by the Executive Board shall be forwarded to the Executive Board by

> the Board of Publication after such recommendations have received the approval of all three of the boards concerned.' "

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report:

"At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Board of Publication was authorized:

> " '. . . . . to call a conference of representatives of all boards and agencies of the Church which are concerned with the publication of materials in the Spanish language.'

"It was understood that the purpose of such a conference

> " '. . . . . shall be to decide in so far as possible the basic materials for the implementation of mission activities in other lands and among those in the United States who use the Spanish language, and that the financial support necessary for these essentials shall be an item in the discussion.'

"The Executive Board requested the Board of Publication

> " '. . . . . to report the results of the conference to the Executive Board through the Committee on Boards and Committees.'

"The following is the board's report on the results. (Minutes, Board of Publication, August 16, 1949, p. 2384)

> " '2. The items resulting from the meeting of the Conference on Spanish literature were presented to the Board at its last meeting, but it was overlooked that the Executive Board, in its action, also asked for the "results" of the meeting. Therefore, the permission of the Executive Committee is asked for the insertion of the following statement:
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> " ' *"It was developed at the meeting of the Conference on Spanish literature that, up to the present time, there has been little if any co-ordination between the Boards of the United Lutheran Church using Spanish literature in their missionary enterprises and still less between Lutheran bodies participating in the National Lutheran Council. Pastor William Arbaugh, who is the Superintendent of the Latin American Missions for the Board of American Missions, had prepared an exhaustive statement of the material which is now available which was used as a basis for discussion.*
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> " ' *"This disclosed that, while many needs exist, all too few of them have been filled by existing literature. The great deterrent, of course, is the fact that the production of Spanish literature at the present time requires rather generous subsidies since none of the mission fields have acquired a constituency which would support a wide spread publication program. While these facts are generally in accord with the facts that were presented to the Board of Publication leading to the request of the Executive Board for the calling of the conference, nevertheless, now that the information is available, it seems that two lines of the action are possible.*
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> " ' *"The first is the development of a policy regarding program and subsidy as affecting the fields of the United Lutheran Church between the Boards and Agencies most interested and in full consultation with the other Boards and Agencies of the United Lutheran Church which might, from time to time, have interest in varying phases of the program; and two, the exploration of the possibilities of co-operation with other Lutheran bodies having Spanish-speaking missions. To that end the resolutions which were adopted by the Board at the May 1949 meeting were introduced."* '

"The Committee on Boards and Committees submits this to the Executive Board for information."

This item was received as information.

(b) *Editor and Budget of Continuing Committee*

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendations:

"The Board of Publication reports the following action of the Continuing Committee on Spanish Publications on June 8, 1950. These actions have already been approved by the Board of American Missions (see its minutes for June 15, 1950, p. 4893-4) and the Board of Foreign Missions (see its minutes of June 19-21, 1950, pages 94-95) The Board of Publication's own approval has been secured upon authorization of its Executive Committee by a mail poll in which 19 of the 21 members of the board have voted, all of them in the affirmative.

> " 'That this Committee be authorized by the Board of American Missions, the Board of Foreign Missions, and the Board of Publication, to secure the services of a full time editor for Spanish Literature, and an office secretary, the three boards to share equally in the budget.
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> " '(2) That a budget of $6,000.00 from July 1 to December 1,1950 be proposed to the respective boards.
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> " '(3) That a budget of $12,000.00 for 1951 be proposed to the respective boards as follows:

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| Editor's salary | $4,500 |
| Travel | 500 |
| Stenographer | 2,500 |
| Office | 500 |
| Subsidy for Literature | 4,000 |
| | 12,000' |

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board sanction the employment of a full-time editor for Spanish publications and the budget for the same as proposed above to be borne jointly by the three boards through the Board of Publication."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

(c) *Revision of present Spanish Bible*

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"The following item on Spanish Publications was adopted by the Board of Publication:

> " 'That the action of the Continuing Committee on Spanish Publications (that the American Bible Society be requested to revise the present Spanish Bible) be reported to the Executive Board with the request that the Executive Board transmit to the American Bible Society the recommendation that a revision of the present Spanish Bible be prepared.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees notes that no specific approval of this action appears in either the minutes of the Board of American Missions or the Board of Foreign Missions. Since the request apparently comes before the Executive Board from the Board of Publication alone, and since the Executive Board does not know specifically either the reasons for or the character of the intended revision, the Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that action be deferred until further information is at hand."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

(d) *Enlargement of the Continuing Committee*

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report:

"The Board of Publication reports that it has approved a plan proposed by the Continuing Committee on Spanish Publication under which that Committee would be considerably enlarged. The plan has not yet been acted upon by the other boards concerned and is therefore simply referred to in this report."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 2. The Board of Publication Requests Conference with U.L.C.A. Committee on Publicity Concerning News Service

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"At the Executive Committee meeting of the Board of Publication on May 31, 1949 the executive secretary of that board presented the following in his report:

> " 'The executive secretary believes that, in view of the report made to the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church, the matter of the part played by the Board of Publication in the News Service should clearly be made a matter of record and policies determined by the board.
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> " 'In a spirit of reporting all the facts to the Executive Board and not with any desire to engender controversy in any way, The United Lutheran Church in America Committee on Publicity reported to the Executive Board at the meeting on April 21-22, page 139 as follows:
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> > " ' "When The United Lutheran Church in America News Service was set in motion early last year, it was recognized that its being responsible both to the Executive Board and the Board of Publication creates certain administrative difficulties for the director and his helpers. The first year's operation has shown that our concern of a year ago was not without justification. The director has, as his report shows, certain fixed U.L.P.H. obligations involving inflexible deadlines. These by their volume and rigidity keep the director's time from having the flexibility which on-the-spot news coverage requires."
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> " 'The facts are these. That (1) the United Lutheran Church had had little or no continuing publicity between conventions; (2) the Board of Publication offered its help in a desire to assist the Church and also in the interest of an economy of effort since the permanent files of "The Lutheran" must carry much information invaluable to the News Service. The executive secretary suggested to the Board of Publication that part of the time of Pastor Koppenhaver be made available to the News Service and that in addition an appropriation of $2,500.00 be made. This was approved by the board.
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> " 'It is not believed that the Committee on Publicity really means that the News Service is responsible to both the Executive Board and the Board of Publication, but that Pastor Koppenhaver, in that he serves both the News Service and the Board of Publication, has a divided responsibility. Certainly there has never been any disposition of the board and the executive secretary to assume responsibility for the News Service, which comes directly under the supervision of the secretary of the Church, inasmuch as publicity is assigned to him as one of his responsibilities. The executive secretary has endeavored to give the News Service every encouragement by putting facilities at its disposal. Undoubtedly, the Committee on Publicity recognizes this.
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> " 'Therefore, it being understood that the Board of Publication is interested merely in assisting to improve the publicity of the Church and in no way to assert any authority in the matter, and it being understood further that, not in any spirit of controversy, but rather that the whole matter may be carefully explored with the Committee on Publicity and any misunderstandings cleared away, it is
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> > " 'Recommended that the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America be requested to grant proper permission for a meeting of the Committee on Promotion and Service of the Board of Publication and the Committee on Publicity of The United Lutheran Church

> in America to discuss this situation with a view to reaching a mutually satisfactory conclusion.'

"The recommendation was adopted.

"References to the U.L.C.A. News Service have appeared in reports of the secretary of the U.L.C. to the Executive Board (Minutes, April 21-22, 1949, pp. 139-141).

"Your Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the desired permission be granted to the Board of Publication itself, since the Executive Board cannot properly deal directly and officially with committees of boards."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 3. Board of Publication—Resignation of Mr. Erwin H. List, and Election of Mr. Donald G. Duncan:

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"Mr. Donald G. Duncan of Columbia, South Carolina, has been nominated to fill a vacancy in the membership of the Board of Publication, due to the resignation of Mr. Erwin H. List, now a member of the Executive Board.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board elect Mr. Donald G. Duncan to the Board of Publication for the term expiring 1952."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"The Secretary cast the ballot of the Executive Board for the election of Mr. Donald G. Duncan to membership in the Board of Publication to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mr. Erwin H. List, for the term expiring 1952.

"The President declared Mr. Duncan elected."

### 4. Amendment of By-Laws of Board of Publication

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"At a meeting of the Board of Publication on October 18, 1949 (Minutes, p. 2406) a recommendation concerning an amendment to Article I, Section IV of the By-Laws was duly adopted. The amendment is herewith submitted to the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church for approval.

"Article I Section IV regarding Executive Committee meetings now reads:

> " 'It shall meet at the Board's principal office, regularly once a month, on such day and hour as it shall determine, and oftener, at the call of its chairman, as occasion shall demand.'

"The adopted amendment reads:

> " 'The Executive Committee shall meet on the sixth Tuesday following each regular meeting of the Board, unless otherwise ordered by the Board, the Executive Committee or the President of the Board. Special meetings of the Executive Committee may be called by the Board, the Executive Committee or the President of the Board, unless otherwise ordered by the Executive Committee.'

"This amendment establishes quarterly meetings for the Executive Committee of the Board of Publication instead of monthly meetings which have been found in practice to be difficult and even impossible to maintain.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees, believing that four Executive Committee meetings in addition to the four regular meetings of the Board will suffice for efficient administration, Recommends approval of the amended By-law, subject to the striking of the last seven words."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report:

"The following paragraphs appear in the minutes of the Board of Publication for April 25, 1950 on page 2472:

> " 'The deletion of seven words by the Executive Board in the adopted amendment to Article I, Section IV of the By-Laws of the Board of Publication has the effect of disapproval of the amendment and therefore to keep the record clear it is suggested that the following action be taken:
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> > " 'Whereas the proposed amendment of Article I, Section IV of the By-Laws, as adopted by this Board at the meeting of October 18, 1949, was not approved by the Executive Board (Minutes, page 2495, March 7, 1950) in the form adopted by this Board, it was approved in the following form:
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> > > " ' "The Executive Committee shall meet on the sixth Tuesday following each regular meeting of the Board, unless otherwise ordered by the Board, the Executive Committee, or the President of the Board. Special meetings of the Executive Committee may be called by the Board, the Executive Committee, or the President of the Board."
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> > " 'Therefore, Be It Resolved that the said amendment as approved by the Executive Board be made the amendment of our By-Laws.' "

This item was received as information.

### 5. Conference on Merger of Church Papers

(See IX, 4, p. 538, of this report.)

### 6. Possible Re-study of Responsibility for Producing and Distributing Audio-Visual Aids

(See VI, c, vii, 11, p. 290, of this report.)

## x. BOARD OF SOCIAL MISSIONS

### 1. Second Associate Director of Evangelism

#### *(a) Board of Social Missions Asks Clearance to Call*

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"At its meeting of November 11, 1948, the president of the Board of Social Missions cited the report of the Committee on Faith and Life to the 1948 convention and its call for an expanded staff of field workers in evangelism and the Inter-Lutheran Evangelism Advance set for 1949-1950. The executive secretary in behalf of the board's representatives on the Lutheran Commission on Evangelism recommended 'that the board, subject to the approval of the Executive Board, call another associate director for full-time work in evangelism for the duration of the program of the Lutheran Commission on Evangelism and that his further relationship to the board be then determined.' This recommendation was adopted by the Board of Social Missions and the matter now comes to us.

"Your committee is not sure that such a temporary incumbent should be known as an associate director nor that, if the Board of Social Missions is permitted to elect such an official, it should itself be free to decide later whether a third secretaryship in evangelism should be continued.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board recognize the right of the Board of Social Missions to employ needed additional personnel during the period of intensive work conducted by the Lutheran Commission on Evangelism and that the Executive Board inform the Board of Social Missions that it stands ready to restudy the whole issue at the end of 1950 when the concerted program is concluded."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

*(b) Executive Board Records Readiness to Restudy*

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"In the Minutes of the Board of Directors of the Board of Social Missions, under date of June 9, 1949, occurs the following item:

> " 'We recommend that the Board of Directors issue a call to the Rev. Clifton M. Weihe as a second associate director of evangelism subject to the conditions approved by the board at its November, 1948, meeting; his services to begin September 1, 1949. (Recommendation 2, page 14, November minutes of Board of Social Missions.)
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> " 'We recommend that the salary be $3,600 plus $1,200 for house rent.
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> " 'We recommend that an expense item for the second associate be budgeted in the same amount as allowed for the other directors (of Evanglism).
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> " 'APPROVED'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees calls attention to the fact that the calling of the Rev. Clifton M. Weihe as a second associate director of evangelism is not in complete harmony with the judgment set forth in the report of the Executive Board in January 1949 wherein the giving of that title to such a temporary incumbent as was proposed was called in question. However, we are not disposed to press the issue to the possible embarrassment of the parties concerned.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees nevertheless RECOMMENDS:

"That the Executive Board go on record as recognizing that the selection of the Rev. Mr. Weihe is temporary in character and reiterate its readiness to restudy the whole issue of a second associate director of evangelism at the end of 1950 when the concerted efforts of the Lutheran Commission on Evangelism are to be terminated."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

*(c) Job Analysis, and Approval of Continuation*

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"From the Minutes, Board of Directors of the Board of Social Missions, June 15, 1950.

" 'DEPARTMENT OF EVANGELISM

" 'The Board at its meeting on May 4, 1950 adopted the following recommendation:

> " ' "WE RECOMMEND THAT:
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> " ' "The Board authorize the Directors to approve at the June meeting a job analysis for the Second Associate Director of Evangelism, as prepared by the Department, for the period following the program of the Lutheran Commission on Evangelism and that the same be presented to the Executive Board to substantiate our requests for the continuation of the Second Associate Director of Evangelism on the staff of the Board. CARRIED." '

" 'After consultation by the Chairman with the Director of Evangelism and the Executive Secretary, it was felt:

> " 'a. It is difficult to divide the work of Evangelism as prosecuted by the Board and assign in advance certain definite tasks to individuals on the staff;
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> " 'b. That much of Evangelism takes the combined efforts of the staff for considerable periods of time;
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> " 'c. That a setting forth of a PROPOSED PROGRAM OF EVANGELISM AFTER 1950 would better meet the requirements of the recommendation adopted by the Board.

" 'The Directors of Evangelism, in consultation with the Executive Secretary, were requested to prepare such a program. This was done in a conference on May 29 and 30.

" 'On June 1 the Director of Evangelism presented this program to the Chairman of the Department, the President of the Board and the Executive Secretary. After full consideration, and some revisions, it was approved for submission to the Directors today. This Proposed Program, together with a statement of Staff Responsibilities Involved in this Program, was mailed in advance of this meeting to each Director and is now presented for your approval.

" 'IT WAS MOVED that the Directors approve the Proposed Program with attached statement of Staff Responsibilities as meeting the requirement of the recommendation of the Board adopted on May 4.

" 'The following recommendation was then presented and unanimously approved:

> " 'The Department of Evangelism recommends:
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> " 'That in view of the areas of work in Evangelism in which The United Lutheran Church in America should engage more extensively in the years immediately ahead, which areas are set forth in
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> Proposed Evangelism Program after 1950
> including Staff Responsibilities Involved in this Program
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> and, in view of the Principles, the Task, and Duties of an Associate Director of Evangelism, adopted by the Board in 1947, as set forth in the attached statement;
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> " 'The Board of Social Missions requests the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America to approve the continuation on the staff of the Board of Social Missions of a Second Associate Director of Evangelism after December 31, 1950.'

### " 'JOB ANALYSIS

### " 'ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF EVANGELISM

" '*Principles:*

" 'First: We declare it to be the will of God that all men be saved and be brought into living fellowship with Him who is both the eternal God and our Heavenly Father. The Bible, we believe, testifies in both the Old and New Testament to God's seeking for man's salvation and fellowship.

" 'Second: We declare that God has provided a means whereby man may be saved and brought into living fellowship with Him, even through Jesus Christ His Son, our Saviour. "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have eternal life." This we believe to be the heart of the Gospel.

" 'Third: We declare it to be the task of the Church to bring men into and to nourish men in this living fellowship with God the Father. For this task Christ has given to His Church the Word and the Sacraments. This task we declare to be the task of evangelism.

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" '*The Task:*

" 'On the basis of the principles which we believe to be those on which all evangelism is based, we declare the task of evangelism to be the following:

" 'It is the task of evangelism to arouse and renew with spiritual fire pastors in The United Lutheran Church in America to the end that our congregations may be spiritual storehouses and training camps for the whole membership that all members may be active Christians, living in fellowship with God and in brotherhood with man by making continuous use of the Word and Sacraments administered by and in the Church.

" 'It is the task of evangelism through every true means at its disposal—personal visitation, personal witness, preaching missions, catechetical evangelism, Christlike living—to gather laymen in the congregation, or in a group of congregations, to call and gather again into the Church its inactive members, and to go out into the highways and byways that the unsaved may turn to Him who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life; that the motivation of all such visitation, witness, etc., shall be the love of Christ, and that its aim or goal shall be to have men follow Christ and in following to unite themselves with the Church.

" '*Duties of:*

" 'To promote in every manner possible the program of Evangelism of the Board of Social Missions.

" '*A. General*

" '1. He shall be primarily a field worker spending the major portion of his time on the territory of the Church engaging in such activities as are approved by the Department of Evangelism of the Board of Social Missions. When so directed, he shall work in co-operation with the Director of Evangelism in such tasks as are assigned him.

" '2. He, along with the Director of Evangelism, or at his request, shall meet, as opportunities present themselves, with Social Missions Committees of the synods to assist in planning their evangelism efforts.

" '3. He shall meet, whenever feasible, with the Department of Evangelism of the Board of Social Missions as an advisory member.

" '4. He shall co-operate with the Director and the Department of Evangelism in the preparation of literature on evangelism.

" '*B. On territory:*

" 'When assigned to a territory by the Department of Evangelism under regulations adopted by the Board.

" '1. He shall guide pastors and laymen in setting up such evangelism programs as are approved by the Board.

" '2. He shall assist in training lay workers for evangelistic efforts.

" '3. He shall direct the beginning and/or continuation of congregational efforts in evangelism, giving emphasis to making evangelism an integral part of the congregation's year-round program of activities.

" '4. He shall assist in or conduct Preaching Missions under such limitations as may be prescribed by the Board.

" '5. He shall work with the Director of Evangelism, under the Executive Secretary, and only in such communities, synods, or conferences as shall have been approved by the Department of Evangelism. All requests for the services of the Associate Director of Evangelism properly should be made by or through the Synodical Committee on Evangelism to the Executive Secretary, who will transmit them to the Department of Evangelism for action.

"'6. The congregation, synod or conference requesting the services of the Associate Director of Evangelism shall make the necessary arrangements with the Department of Evangelism of the Board of Social Missions, through its Executive Secretary, relative to his expenses while serving said congregation, synod or conference. Wherever possible, the expenses of the Associate Director while on the territory shall be taken care of by the congregation or group served. Transportation and salary are regular expenses of the Board.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that in view of the above representations made by the Board of Social Missions, the Executive Board approve the continuation on the staff of the Board of Social Missions of a Second Associate Director of Evangelism after December 31, 1950."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

**2. Board of Social Missions—Statement on Race**

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report:

"At the September 1948 meeting of the Executive Board, the special committee's Statement on Race was presented. The board delayed action, and gave it to the Board of Social Missions for its consideration.

"The Board of Social Missions at its recent meeting took the following action: 'It was moved that the Statement on Race be laid on the table in order that we may all have an opporunity to study it.' This action means that the Board of Social Missions must review the Statement on Race in its present form before the Executive Board takes any further step.

"This is reported for information."

This item was received as information.

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report:

"The Board of Social Missions, to which the Executive Board has transmitted the September, 1948 draft of a statement on race prepared by a special committee of the Executive Board and the Board of Social Missions, has again postponed action on this entire subject. For your information it may be reported that the Board of Social Missions took these steps:

"Secretary Letts was instructed by the Committee on Study and Research of that board to concentrate his research during the coming months 'in the field of race . . . particularly because of the plan of the Department of Social Action to prepare a guiding statement on race by April 1950.'

"Secretary Letts was 'asked to prepare a packet of study materials including such items as the book "Segregation in Washington," Mrs. Virgil Sease's recent book, "What about Race Relations?" and our own department's study statement on race.' 'The availability of this packet is to be publicized among strategic people and groups and users of the packet are asked to send in to this department (Social Action) their reactions and findings.'

"It was agreed in the accompanying discussion that the selection of materials should include all phases of the question and should represent various points of view. The study packet is to be offered to all congregations along with the November 1948 draft of the race statement. A deliberate effort will be exerted to induce selected parishes and individuals to undertake this study. All who use the packet will be invited to submit evaluations of the current draft of the race statement in the light of New Testament teachings.

"In view of the above it is apparent that, whether or not our further collaboration will be sought by the Board of Social Missions in the study and final preparation of the statement on race, the question is removed from our docket for the remainder of 1949."

This item was received as information.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"As has been reported previously (Executive Board Minutes, January 1949, p. 101 and August, 1949, p. 376) the Board of Social Missions has been at work on its Statement on Race.

"At its meeting on November 10, 1949, Minutes p. 21, the Board of Social Missions was informed by its Department of Social Action:

> "'The "Study Packet on Race" is to be considered by the entire Board as part of this meeting. Our department is aware of the fact that a report to the national convention will be prepared on this subject. We are arranging to receive replies from at least a portion of those groups using this study packet. We believe that we shall better be able to present the report after receiving reactions of these study groups. Further report will be given on this matter at the April (1950) board meeting.'

"It is apparent that no revision of the Statement on Race can come before our Board before its meeting in July 1950.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees Recommends that the Executive Board express its hope that the Board of Social Missions will not adopt its Statement on Race finally nor report to it the Convention of the United Lutheran Church without the concurrence of the Executive Board."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 3. Board of Social Missions—Vacancy in Membership Filled

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Rev. Carl Futchs has been nominated by the Board of Social Missions to fill the vacancy created in the membership of that board for a term expiring in 1952, by the resignation of the Rev. R. H. Gerberding, due to his election as executive secretary of the Board of American Missions.

"Your Committee on Boards and Committees Recommends that the Executive Board elect the Rev. Carl Futchs to the Board of Social Missions for the term ending in 1952."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"Upon motion the secretary cast the ballot of the Executive Board for the Rev. Carl Futchs as a member of the Board of Social Missions, term expiring 1952. The president declared the Rev. Mr. Futchs elected."

### 4. Proposal to Expand Circulation of "Social Missions Quarterly"

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendations:

"The Minutes of the Board of Social Missions dated April 24, 1949, include the following item from the report of the Committee on Promotion:

> " 'The Committee discussed the item of printing and distributing the *Social Missions Quarterly*. After a discussion as to method of reproduction it was decided that the mimeograph type be used. Also that it be distributed to all U.L.C.A. pastors as well as to interested laity.'

"Your Committee on Boards and Committees calls attention to the fact that until now the circulation of the *Social Missions Quarterly* has been limited to a select list of persons specifically interested in one or more of the three areas of action of the Board of Social Missions, namely, evangelism, inner missions, and social action. It has therefore been a periodical of the Church in a limited sense only and the Board of Social Missions has contended that it was not of such general interest or circulation as to subject it to the possibility of merger with other periodicals or of absorption into a publication of wider scope intended for church workers in general. However, under the proposed expansion of its circulation include all U.L.C.A. pastors as well as interested laity, the *Social Missions Quarterly* would indeed become, if not an absolutely new periodical, a periodical in a new and more absolute sense than ever before. This fact would bring it before the Executive Board under the powers of review conferred upon the Executive Board at Philadelphia (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 694-695) reading as follows:

> " 'That in view of the large volume of printed matter coming before the Church, all boards, agencies, and auxiliaries be instructed by the Church to submit any plans for new periodicals to the Executive Board for approval.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS:

"(1) That the Executive Board express to the Board of Social Missions its judgment that the proposal so greatly to expand the circulation of the *Social Missions Quarterly* as to include all U.L.C.A. pastors as well as interested laity would, in effect, establish a new periodical;

"(2) That the Executive Board express to the Board of Social Missions its hesitancy to approve the establishment of such a new periodical in view of the large volume of printed matter coming before the Church, in view of the avenues open to the Board of Social Missions, such as the Pastor's Desk Book, The Lutheran, etc., and in view of the continued call on every hand for a reduction in the number of periodicals;

"(3) That the Executive Board request the Board of Social Missions to reconsider its action of April 24, 1949, regarding the *Social Missions Quarterly* in the light of the preceding statements."

The recommendations were adopted by the Executive Board.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church (Minutes, August 1949, p. 375) requested the Board of Social Missions to reconsider its action regarding a wider circulation of the *Social Missions Quarterly*. The Executive Board expressed to the Board of Social Missions its judgment that the wider circulation proposed would in effect create a new periodical of the Church, which might be difficult to justify since the large volume of printed matter now coming before the Church is under scrutiny, and since avenues such as the *Pastor's Desk Book, The Lutheran, etc.,* are open to the Board of Social Missions for use in disseminating its materials.

"At a meeting of the Board of Social Missions on November 10, 1949, the following actions, recommended by its Committee on Promotion were adopted:

> "'*It was moved* that we recommend to the Board that it reconsider its action taken at the April 28, 1949 Board Meeting relative to sending the *Social Missions Quarterly* to every U.L.C.A. pastor.
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> "'*It was further moved* that we recommend to the Board that the distribution of the *Social Missions Quarterly* be continued on the same basis.
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> "'After discussion it was noted that two pages are available each month in in the *Desk Book* for our use and it was suggested that our Secretaries avail themselves of this.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board note with appreciation the prompt and courteous action taken in this matter."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

**5. Board of Social Missions Request that Inner Missions be Subject of Next Stewardship Motion Picture**

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Secretary presented the following report:

"The minutes of the Board of Social Missions (May 4, 1950, p. 15) contain the following item:

> "'3. That the Board of Social Missions request the Stewardship Committee of The United Lutheran Church in America to consider the work of inner missions (church welfare work) as the subject of the next stewardship motion picture, and proffer the help of the department in this work. CARRIED.'

"This action of the Board of Social Missions is reported to the Executive Board at this time as information."

This item was received as information.

**6. Executive Board Statement of World Order Approved and Distributed by Board of Social Missions**

(See IX, 15, (e), p. 559, of this report.)

**7. Possible Joint Sponsorship of Lutheran Voluntary Work Camps**

(See VII, E, 7, p. 404, of this report.)

**8. Lutheran Commission on Evangelism and Its Successor Lutheran Evangelism Council**

(See VII, A, 8, (c), p. 342, of this report.)

**9. Publication of Social Missions Section of Comprehensive Index of U.L.C.A. Convention Minutes**

(See IX, 8, p. 544, of this report.)

**10. Board of Social Missions—Social Security Recommendations**

(See III, 29, p. 157, of this report.)

**11. "The Lutheran Intersynodical Committee on Parish Education Materials"**

(Co-operation in publication of The Parish School and Sunday school story papers) (See VII, E, 11, p. 410, of this report.)

# VI, C. STANDING AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

## i. COMMITTEE ON ARMY AND NAVY WORK

### 1. Committee on Army and Navy Work—Prayers for Chaplains and Those in Armed Forces

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendations:

"At its meeting on January 3, 1949, the Committee on Army and Navy Work, after referring to the first recommendation of its report to the 1948 convention (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 766) and the modification of it made by the Church, took the following action:

> " 'It was resolved, in the light of this changed recommendation, that the president of the Church and/or the Executive Board be requested to suggest to the Church that prayers be offered for the chaplains and men in the Armed Forces on the Sunday nearest to July 4 annually and at other times during the year.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board commend this practice to the pastors and congregations of the U.L.C.A. in the United States on the Sunday nearest July 4, Independence Day, and to those in Canada on the Sunday nearest July 1, Dominion Day."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS further that this practice be called to the attention of the pastors through the medium of the Pastor's Desk Book."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

## ii. COMMITTEE ON CHURCH MUSIC

### 1. Request of Parish and Church School Board for Conference with Committee on Church Music

(See VI, B, vii, 5, p. 254, of this report.)

## iii. COMMITTEE ON CHURCH PAPERS

### 1. Conferences on Merger of Church Papers

(See IX, 4, p. 538, of this report.)

## iv. COMMITTEE ON CHURCH STATISTICS

### 1. Summary of 1948 Statistics of the Constituent Synods of the U.L.C.A.

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary presented the following report:

"Through the unusually prompt response of synodical statisticians and the quick tabulation of synodical summary reports, it was possible to release the 1948 statistics of the constituent synods of the U.L.C.A. at an early date.

1948 STATISTICS OF THE CONSTITUENT SYNODS OF THE U.L.C.A.

| | *1947* | *1948* | *Increase* | *Decrease* |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Pastors | 3,779 | 3,832 | 53 | ........ |
| Pastoral Charges | 2,958 | 2,996 | 38 | ........ |
| Congregations | 4,096 | 4,124 | 28 | ........ |

| | *1947* | *1948* | *Increase* | *Decrease* |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| MEMBERSHIP | | | | |
| Baptized Members | 1,880,628 | 1,914,018 | 33,390 | ........ |
| Net gain | 41,144 | 33,390 | ........ | 7,754 |
| Net gain | 19,175 | 16,269 | ........ | 2,906 |
| Confirmed Members | 1,339,643 | 1,355,912 | 16,269 | ........ |
| Net gain | 18,174 | 16,806 | ........ | 1,368 |
| Communing Members | 919,574 | 936,380 | 16,806 | ........ |
| *Child Members* | | | | |
| Accessions by Baptism | 55,664 | 51,271 | ........ | 4,393 |
| Accessions otherwise | 21,059 | 19,258 | ........ | 1,801 |
| Total accessions | 76,723 | 70,529 | ........ | 6,194 |
| Transferred by Confirmation | 21,737 | 20,688 | ........ | 1,049 |
| Losses by death | 1,085 | 1,033 | ........ | 52 |
| Losses by certificate | 11,003 | 8,254 | ........ | 2,749 |
| Losses otherwise | 20,929 | 23,433 | 2,504 | ........ |
| Total losses | 54,754 | 53,408 | ........ | 1,346 |
| Net gain Child Members | 21,969 | 17,121 | ........ | 4,848 |
| *Adult Members* | | | | |
| Accessions by Baptism | 7,732 | 7,737 | 5 | ........ |
| Accessions by Confirmation | 36,972 | 36,842 | ........ | 130 |
| Accessions by certificate | 42,472 | 37,344 | ........ | 5,128 |
| Accessions by restoration | 16,950 | 17,623 | 673 | ........ |
| Total accessions | 104,126 | 99,546 | ........ | 4,580 |
| Losses by death | 15,606 | 15,801 | 195 | ........ |
| Losses by certificate | 30,817 | 25,935 | ........ | 4,882 |
| Losses otherwise | 38,528 | 41,541 | 3,013 | ........ |
| Total losses | 84,951 | 83,277 | ........ | 1,674 |
| Net gain Adult Members | 19,175 | 16,269 | ........ | 2,906 |
| Total net gain Child and Adult Members | 41,144 | 33,390 | ........ | 7,754 |
| PARISH EDUCATION | | | | |
| *Sunday Schools* | | | | |
| Number | 3,986 | 4,028 | 42 | ........ |
| Staff members | 72,415 | 73,420 | 1,005 | ........ |
| In Sunday School | 611,492 | 624,235 | 12,743 | ........ |
| In Home Department | 18,618 | 18,551 | ........ | 67 |
| On Nursery Roll | 86,524 | 90,930 | 4,406 | ........ |
| *Weekday Schools* | | | | |
| Number | 1,533 | 1,571 | 38 | ........ |
| Teachers | 9,510 | 10,441 | 931 | ........ |
| Pupils | 95,404 | 95,278 | ........ | 126 |
| *Children of the Church* | | | | |
| Leaders | 3,729 | 3,706 | ........ | 23 |
| Pupils | 33,253 | 31,908 | ........ | 1,345 |
| Catechumens | 58,168 | 60,969 | 2,801 | ........ |
| HIGHER EDUCATION | | | | |
| In Lutheran Seminaries | 300 | 351 | 51 | ........ |
| In Lutheran Motherhouses | 75 | 60 | ........ | 15 |
| In other Lutheran Institutions | 3,703 | 3,785 | 82 | ........ |
| In non-Lutheran Institutions | 20,833 | 21,085 | 252 | ........ |

| | *1947* | *1948* | *Increase* | *Decrease* |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| GROUP ORGANIZATIONS | | | | |
| *Men's* | | | | |
| Number | 1,926 | 2,018 | 92 | ........ |
| Members | 55,445 | 68,350 | 12,905 | ........ |
| *Women's* | | | | |
| Number | 7,383 | 7,548 | 165 | ........ |
| Members | 239,482 | 245,991 | 6,509 | ........ |
| *Mixed* | | | | |
| Number | 1,475 | 1,644 | 169 | ........ |
| Members | 47,061 | 52,683 | 5,622 | ........ |
| *Young People's* | | | | |
| Number | 4,337 | 4,536 | 199 | ........ |
| Members | 92,263 | 95,908 | 3,645 | ........ |
| VALUATION | | | | |
| Church buildings | $146,288,046 | $161,697,800 | $ 15,409,754 | ........... |
| Parsonages | 19,145,256 | 21,779,842 | 2,634,586 | ........... |
| Schools or parish houses | 14,256,751 | 16,463,266 | 2,206,515 | ........... |
| Endowment | 8,666,883 | 8,788,183 | 121,300 | ........... |
| Other property | 16,326,515 | 18,491,173 | 2,164,658 | ........... |
| Total Valuation | $204,683,451 | $227,220,264 | $ 22,536,813 | ........... |
| Indebtedness | $ 7,414,867 | $ 9,692,821 | $ 2,277,954 | ........... |
| EXPENDITURES | | | | |
| Current expenses | $ 18,502,321 | $ 20,357,964 | $ 1,855,643 | ........... |
| Unusual expenses | 8,776,563 | 11,402,549 | 2,625,986 | ........... |
| Total current and unusual expenses | $ 27,278,884 | $ 31,760,513 | $ 4,481,629 | ........... |
| *Unapportioned benevolence* | | | | |
| Education | $ 331,136 | $ 430,807 | $ 99,671 | ........... |
| Foreign Missions | 496,780 | 519,243 | 22,463 | ........... |
| American Missions | 164,732 | 156,255 | ........... | $ 8,477 |
| Social Missions | 839,650 | 802,977 | ........... | 36,673 |
| Other benevolence | 2,749,467 | 2,649,568 | ........... | 99,899 |
| Total unapportioned benevolence | $ 4,581,765 | $ 4,558,850 | ........... | $22,915 |
| Apportioned benevolence | 3,856,796 | 5,303,615 | $ 1,446,819 | ........... |
| Total benevolence | $ 8,438,561 | $ 9,862,465 | $ 1,423,904 | ........... |
| Total expenditures | $ 35,717,445 | $ 41,622,978 | $ 5,905,533 | ........... |

This report was received as information.

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary presented the following report:

## 2. Summary 1949 Statistics of Constituent Synods of U.L.C.A.

On the following pages appears the encouraging summary of the statistics gathered from the 32 constituent synods of the U.L.C.A. for the year 1949. Especially gratifying are the phenominal increase in the enrollment of our Sunday Church schools, and in our theological seminaries, also the impressive rise in our total giving to all purposes. The increase in that last-named category in the years 1948 and 1949 over 1947 is $11,762,575.

1949 STATISTICS OF THE CONSTITUENT SYNODS OF THE U.L.C.A.

| | *1948* | *1949* | *Increase* | *Decrease* |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Pastors | 3,832 | 3,830 | ........ | 2 |
| Pastoral Charges | 2,996 | 3,072 | 76 | ........ |
| Congregations | 4,124 | 4,150 | 26 | ........ |

| | *1948* | *1949* | *Increase* | *Decrease* |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| MEMBERSHIP | | | | |
| Baptized Members | 1,914,018 | 1,952,192 | 38,174 | ........ |
| Net gain | 33,390 | 38,280 | 4,890 | ........ |
| Confirmed Members | 1,355,912 | 1,375,454 | 19,542 | ........ |
| Net gain | 16,269 | 19,817 | 3,548 | ........ |
| Communing Members | 936,380 | 954,847 | 18,467 | ........ |
| Net gain | 16,806 | 18,848 | 2,042 | ........ |
| *Child Members* | | | | |
| Accessions by Baptism | 51,271 | 51,376 | 105 | ........ |
| Accessions otherwise | 19,258 | 20,571 | 1,313 | ........ |
| Total accessions | 70,529 | 72,047 | 1,418 | ........ |
| Transferred by Confirmation | 20,688 | 21,662 | 974 | ........ |
| Losses by death | 1,033 | 996 | ........ | 37 |
| Losses by certificate | 8,254 | 8,704 | 450 | ........ |
| Losses otherwise | 23,433 | 21,810 | ........ | 1,623 |
| Total losses | 53,408 | 53,143 | ........ | 261 |
| Net gain Child Members | 17,121 | 18,895 | 1,774 | ........ |
| *Adult Members* | | | | |
| Accessions by Baptism | 7,737 | 8,149 | 412 | ........ |
| Accessions by Confirmation | 36,842 | 38,739 | 1,897 | ........ |
| Accessions by certificate | 37,344 | 37,652 | 308 | ........ |
| Accessions by restoration | 17,623 | 18,181 | 558 | ........ |
| Total accessions | 99,546 | 102,721 | 3,175 | ........ |
| Losses by death | 15,801 | 15,701 | ........ | 100 |
| Losses by certificate | 25,935 | 26,549 | 614 | ........ |
| Losses otherwise | 41,541 | 40,787 | ........ | 754 |
| Total losses | 83,277 | 83,045 | ........ | 232 |
| Net gain Adult Members | 16,269 | 19,676 | 3,407 | ........ |
| Total net gain Child and Adult Members | 33,390 | 38,571 | 5,181 | ........ |
| PARISH EDUCATION | | | | |
| *Sunday Schools* | | | | |
| Number | 4,028 | 4,058 | 30 | ........ |
| Staff members | 73,420 | 75,431 | 2,011 | ........ |
| In Sunday School | 624,235 | 695,864 | 71,629 | ........ |
| In Home Department | 18,551 | 18,499 | ........ | 52 |
| On Nursery Roll | 90,930 | 96,832 | 5,902 | ........ |
| *Weekday Schools* | | | | |
| Number | 1,571 | 1,553 | ........ | 18 |
| Teachers | 10,441 | 10,867 | 426 | ........ |
| Pupils | 95,278 | 98,449 | 3,171 | ........ |
| *Children of the Church* | | | | |
| Leaders | 3,706 | 3,726 | 20 | ........ |
| Pupils | 31,908 | 31,420 | ........ | 488 |
| *Catechumens* | 60,969 | 62,326 | 1,357 | ........ |
| HIGHER EDUCATION | | | | |
| In Lutheran Seminaries | 351 | 452 | 101 | ........ |
| In Lutheran Motherhouses | 60 | 57 | ........ | 3 |
| In other Lutheran Institutions | 3,785 | 3,596 | ........ | 189 |
| In non-Lutheran Institutions | 21,085 | 21,125 | 40 | ........ |
| GROUP ORGANIZATIONS | | | | |
| *Men's* | | | | |
| Number | 2,018 | 2,114 | 96 | ........ |
| Members | 68,350 | 70,632 | 2,282 | ........ |

| | *1948* | *1949* | *Increase* | *Decrease* |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Women's* | | | | |
| Number | 7,548 | 7,623 | 75 | ........ |
| Members | 245,991 | 249,973 | 3,982 | ........ |
| *Mixed* | | | | |
| Number | 1,644 | 1,738 | 94 | ........ |
| Members | 52,683 | 57,912 | 5,229 | ........ |
| *Young People's* | | | | |
| Number | 4,536 | 4,591 | 55 | ........ |
| Members | 95,908 | 98,272 | 2,364 | ........ |
| VALUATION | | | | |
| Church buildings | $161,697,800 | $177,639,192 | $ 15,941,392 | ........... |
| Parsonages | 21,779,842 | 23,927,437 | 2,147,595 | ........... |
| Schools or parish houses | 16,463,266 | 18,285,798 | 1,822,532 | ........... |
| Endowment | 8,788,183 | 9,108,609 | 320,426 | ........... |
| Other property | 18,491,173 | 18,536,109 | 44,936 | ........... |
| Total Valuation | $227,220,264 | $247,497,145 | $ 20,276,881 | ........... |
| Indebtedness | $ 9,692,821 | $ 13,173,416 | $ 3,480,595 | ........... |
| EXPENDITURES | | | | |
| Current expenses | $ 20,357,964 | $ 22,132,029 | $ 1,774,065 | ........... |
| Unusual expenses | 11,402,549 | 14,882,419 | 3,479,870 | ........... |
| Total current and unusual expense | $ 31,760,513 | $ 37,014,448 | $ 5,253,935 | ........... |
| *Unapportioned benevolence* | | | | |
| Education | $ 430,807 | $ 1,044,156 | $ 613,349 | ........... |
| Foreign Missions | 519,243 | 549,272 | 30,029 | ........... |
| American Missions | 156,255 | 199,293 | 43,038 | ........... |
| Social Missions | 802,977 | 1,029,450 | 226,473 | ........... |
| Other benevolence | 2,649,568 | 2,580,453 | ........... | $ 69,115 |
| Total unapportioned benevolence | $ 4,558,850 | $ 5,402,624 | $ 843,774 | ........... |
| Apportioned benevolence | 5,303,615 | 5,062,948 | ........... | $240,667 |
| Total benevolence | $ 9,862,465 | $ 10,465,572 | $ 603,107 | ........... |
| Total expenditures | $ 41,622,978 | $ 47,480,020 | $ 5,857,042 | ........... |

This report was received as information.

## v. COMMON SERVICE BOOK COMMITTEE

***1. New U.L.C.A. By-law Regarding Common Service Book Committee to Be Prepared at Later Date.** (For action, see p. 603)

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report:

"At its 1948 convention the Church adopted the following resolution (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 428):

> "'In view of the fact that the Common Service Book will presently be replaced by a new Service Book, the (Common Service Book) Committee recommends that the Executive Board of the Church prepare and submit to the Church a new article for the By-laws, establishing and defining the functions of a new committee or commission of the United Lutheran Church to take the place of the Common Service Book Committee.'

"The matter was assigned to this committee in the president's report to the Executive Board January 26-27, 1949. The committee reports that it is making a study of the matter."

The report was received as information.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"The matter of a new article for the By-laws with reference to a new committee or commission to take the place of the Common Service Book Committee (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 428) has been under study by the Committee on Boards and Committees.

"It has become clear to your committee that it would be wise to arrange for a conference, including representatives of the Committee on Boards and Committees, as well as representatives of the Common Service Book Committee and the Committee on Church Music, in order that the functions of the new committee or commission and of the Committee on Church Music, if it is to be continued, may be carefully studied and clearly defined.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees Recommends that the Executive Board authorize it to arrange and hold the proposed conference."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Committee on Boards and Committees reports as information that it has not forgotten that it is under obligation to arrange a conference with representatives of the Common Service Book Committee and the Committee on Church Music, looking toward the drawing-up of a new By-law regarding the Common Service Book Committee.

"However, it is quite clear that, under the circumstances controlling the work of the present Common Service Book Committee in its current inter-Lutheran activities and the projected establishment of a permanent Joint Commission on Liturgy and Hymnal, no by-law could be drawn up at this time upon which the 1950 convention could act to any advantage.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees Recommends that the Executive Board report to the 1950 convention that for the above reason no by-law is submitted to the Church at this time."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 2. Approval in Principle of the Formation of a Permanent Joint Commission on the Liturgy and Hymnal.

(See VII, E, 2, p. 393, of this report.)

### 3. U.L.C.A. Participation in a General Expense Fund of Joint Commission on the Liturgy

(See III, 23, p. 150, of this report.)

## vi. CONSULTING COMMITTEE FOR DEPARTMENT OF CHURCH ARCHITECTURE

### 1. Personnel of Consulting Committee for Department of Church Architecture

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the president reported as follows on the personnel of the first Consulting Committee for the Department of Church Architecture:

"Since the time is now in sight when accommodations for the new Department of Church Architecture will be available in the Lutheran Church House as a result of the removal of the National Lutheran Council's office to its new headquarters next September or October, it is desirable for the Executive Board to appoint the Consulting Committee for the Department at this meeting. Appointment of this committee now will enable it to meet, choose a staff for the department and formulate plans for the conduct of its work comfortably in advance of the date when the department will start operations.

"In conformity with the action of the 1948 convention (pp. 323 and 345) responsibility for the selection of the Consulting Committee rests with the Executive Board. The president nominates the following persons to constitute this committee for the remainder of the present biennium and until their successors are appointed:

"Rev. Paul E. Bishop
Elwood L. Bowman, representing the interests of the Board of American Missions
J. Alfred Hamme
Rev. Ellerslie A. Lebo
Rev. Leland H. Lesher
A. L. Martsolf
Herbert E. Matz
Rev. Marcus F. Otterbein, representing the interests of the Parish and Church School Board
Charles A. Scheuringer
Rev. Francis A. Shearer, representing the interests of the Board of Social Missions
Rev. Chester S. Simonton
Rev. Luther W. Strickler, Chairman
Edmund F. Wagner
H. Torrey Walker, representing the interests of the Board of Publication"

The Executive Board adopted a motion that the nominees listed above be approved and appointed by the Executive Board.

The Executive Board adopted an additional motion that the president be requested to approach the Board of Education to ascertain whether that board desires the appointment to this committee of a person to represent its interests.

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the president presented the following report:

"The Board of Education has indicated informally to the president that it desires someone to represent its interests in the Consulting Committee for the Department of Church Architecture. (Minutes, April 1950, p. 686.) Dr. Gould Wickey will be the preferred appointee.

"The President therefore nominates Dr. Wickey as a member of the Consulting Committee for the Department of Church Architecture for the remainder of the present biennium or until his successor is appointed."

The Executive Board took the following action: "It was moved and seconded that the Rev. Gould Wickey be approved and appointed as a member of the Consulting Committee for the Department of Church Architecture for the remainder of the present biennium or until his successor is appointed."

The motion was adopted.

### 2. Relationship of the Board of American Missions to the Department of Church Architecture

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"On January 20, 1949, the Executive Committee of the Board of American Missions voted that: 'In view of the practice of the board over a long period of time that mission congregations submit church building plans to the Committee on Church Architecture for criticism and approval and that Church Extension funds shall not be loaned until the Committee's formal certificate of approval has been issued, this practice shall continue with the Department of Church Architecture from date of the department's active inception.'

"The Board itself (cf. p. 4587 of its minutes for February 15-17, 1949) has referred this action of its Executive Committee to the Executive Board of the Church 'to ascertain whether it is in keeping with the Church's present position.'

"The structural outline adopted by the convention (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 322 and 345) indicates that the action of the Board of American Missions is in keeping with the Church's present policy. Attention is called to the fact that the striking of the parenthetical part of II 3 did not in any way invalidate the rule adopted by the U.L.C.A. in its 1920 convention (U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 477) nor the established practice of the Board of American Missions since that time, as referred to in Section III.

> " 'III. Tranfer of Functions from Committee on Church Architecture
>
> " 'The U.L.C.A. at its 1920 convention adopted the following rule (p. 477):
>
> > " ' "Before any work of erection, alteration or extensive furnishing shall be undertaken by mission congregations, they shall seek the advice and counsel of the Committee on Church Architecture . . . ."
>
> " 'This rule, together with the subsequent procedures of the Board of American Missions and the Committee on Church Architecture, shall continue to be in force with the new department inheriting the previous rights and responsibilities of the Committee on Church Architecture.'

"Your Committee on Boards and Committees therefore Recommends that the answer of the Executive Board to this question be in the affirmative."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 3. Counseling Self-supporting Congregations Concerning Optimum Size, Quality, and Debt Load on New Buildings

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"This matter was referred to the Committee on Boards and Committees at the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board.

"The 1948 U.L.C.A. convention (Minutes p. 446) adopted the following recommendation:

> " '(*a*) that the Executive Board be requested to study the possibility of assigning to an agency of the Church the task of assisting congregations in the solution of problems related to the financing of their building projects;
>
> " '(*b*) that the Executive Board be empowered to assign such a duty to an existing agency of the Church, if in the judgment of the Board and the agency, such assignment be feasible.'

"In view of the action of the Church amending II, 2, in the structural outline of the Department of Church Architecture, providing *inter alia* 'in the case of self-supporting congregations, to include optimum size of buildings and facilities, quality of buildings and debt load' (Minutes pp. 322 and 345), your Committee on Boards and Committees Recommends that the Executive Board assign this duty to the Department of Church Architecture."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 4. First Meeting of the Consulting Committee on Church Architecture

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report:

"The first meeting of the newly constituted Consulting Committee on Church Architecture (Minutes, April, 1950, p. 685) was held in the Lutheran Church House, New York, on May 18, 1950. Eleven of the Committee's then fourteen members were present. All members appointed by the Executive Board have agreed to serve on the committee. By appointment of the Executive Board, the Rev. Luther W. Strickler is the committee's chairman. Architect Charles A. Scheuringer was elected secretary of the committee. Reports of the committee will come to the Executive Board through its Committee on Boards and Committees."

This item was received as information.

### 5. Summary of Architecture Activities during 1949-1950 Biennium

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report:

> "An action of the 1948 convention authorized the establishment of a new Department of Church Architecture 'as soon as possible after January 1, 1949.' As a corollary, the 1948 convention dissolved the Committee on Church Architecture which had functioned since 1948.
>
> "Since the 1948 convention Mr. Charles A. Scheuringer, secretary of the former Committee on Church Architecture, has willingly and generously continued to give counsel and render service to the congregations of the ULCA. Mr. Scheuringer reports that during the past biennium 97 plans were reviewed and approved, 26 plans were reviewed but not approved. During the same period 10 office conferences were held, 11 field trips were made and 3 requests for drawings were received. If the hours consumed in these interim activities were added together the total would be equivalent to three solid months of full-time work.
>
> "The first meeting of the Consulting Committee for the Department of Church Architecture was held on May 18, 1950. On June 26, 1950 a meeting was held by the Executive Committee, to which the Consulting Committee had committed the responsibility of recommending an architect and a clergyman for the staff of the department. Nominations of individuals to fill the two full-time positions will be made by the Consulting Committee to the Executive Board which is responsible for the election of these officials."

This item was received by the Executive Board as information.

### 6. Plans Approved by Secretary Charles A. Scheuringer During the 1949-1950 Biennium

PLANS APPROVED

Front Royal Series (M-150-R1)

Resurrection Lutheran Church
Arlington, Va.

Faith Lutheran Church
Oklahoma, Pa.

St. Matthew's Lutheran Church
Sudbury, Ontario, Canada

St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Erie, Pa.

Mt. Carmel English Lutheran Church
Minneapolis, Ind.

St. John's Lutheran Church
Linthicum Heights, Md.

Gethsemane Lutheran Church
Milwaukee, Wis.

Design M-182

Holy Communion Lutheran Church
Detroit, Michigan (2 reviews)

Immanuel Lutheran Church
Jackson, Mich.
Front Royal Series
Design M-186-D
Resurrection Lutheran Church
Columbia, S. C.
Gethsemane Lutheran Church
Keysport, N. J.
Cross of Glory Lutheran Church
Detroit, Mich.
Second English Lutheran Church
Schenectady, N. Y.
Grace Lutheran Church
Houston, Tex.
Zion United Lutheran Church
Penn Township, Pa.
(Front Royal Series M-146)
Front Royal Series (M-146)
Front Royal Series (M-186D)
Front Royal Series M-151-R2
Atlantic Series—M-138
Lancaster Series—M-129
St. Mark's Series—M-199
Calvary English Lutheran Church
Two Rivers, Wis.
Front Royal Series M-186-8
Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church
Erie, Pa.
St. Andrew's Lutheran Church
Hickory, N. C. (2 reviews)
St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Tampa, Fla.
Design M-182A
Cross of Glory Lutheran Church
Detroit, Mich.
Gay St. Series (M-186—M-199)
Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church
Johnstown, Pa.
Design M-1948
Design M-177
Resurrection Lutheran Church
Juneau, Alaska
St. John's Lutheran Church
Dravosburg, Pa.
St. Matthew's Series
Design M-122
Holy Cross Lutheran Church
Lake Ronkonkoma, N. Y.
St. Luke's Lutheran Church
Sioux City, Iowa (3 reviews)
St. Andrew's Lutheran Church
Capitol Heights, Md. (3 reviews)

Manoa Series—M-266
Faith Lutheran Church
Glen Ellyn, Ill.
Glenellyn Series M-158
Front Royal Series
Design M-175A
St. Mark's Series
Design M-199
Redeemer Lutheran
Des Moines, Iowa
Lutheran Church in the Foothills
La Canada, Calif.
Ascension Lutheran Church
Baltimore, Md.
Atonement Lutheran Church
Laurens, S. C.
Redeemer Lutheran Church
Baltimore, Md.
Grace Lutheran Church
Casper, Wyo.
Mt. Zion Lutheran Church
Wauwatosa, Wis.
Central Lutheran Church
Mason City, Iowa
Our Savior Lutheran Church
Toledo, Ohio
Trinity Lutheran Church
Fort Atkinson, Wis.
St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Monterey Park, Los Angeles, Calif.
(Approval subject to Art. 3 of Report)
Blackwelder Park Lutheran Church
Kannapolis, N. C.
Havelock Lutheran Mission
Lincoln, Nebraska
Fox Point Lutheran Church
Fox Point, Wis.
St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Newark, Ohio
Emmanuel Lutheran Church
Menominee, Mich.
St. Paul's Lutheran Church
El Paso, Texas
Lutheran Church of the Resurrection
Mt. Kisco, N. Y.
Pleasant Valley Plan (For Portfolio)
St. Michael's Lutheran Church
St. Michael's Series—Design M-150R
Design H-132
Christ Church
Portland, Oregon
St. Michael's Series—M-150

St. Michael's Series—M-161
St. Michael's Series—M-158
Lakewood Lutheran Church
    Long Beach, Calif. (2 reviews)
Resurrection Lutheran Church
    Greenbay, Wis. (3 reviews)
St. Michael's Lutheran Church
    Greenville, S. C.
Christ Lutheran Church
    Park Rose, Ore. (2 reviews)
Epiphany Lutheran Church
    San Leandro, Calif.
Grace Lutheran Church
    Richmond, Calif.
Faith Lutheran Church
    Phoenix, Ariz.
St. Andrew's Lutheran Church
    New Bern, N. C. (3 reviews)
Grace Lutheran Church
    Stratford, Conn. (Preliminary Plans)
Glen Rock Series—Design M-125
Design M-170 (Portfolio)
Lancaster Series
St. Luke's Lutheran Church
    Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio
Faith Lutheran Church
    Everett, Wash. (3 reviews)
Butte Series (Chapel Furnishings)
Faith Lutheran Church
    Phoenix, Ariz.
Trinity Lutheran Church
    Saskatoon, Sask., Canada
St. Mark's Lutheran Church
    Waukesha, Wis.
Evangelical Lutheran Church
    Lawrence, Mass. (2 reviews)
Reformation Lutheran Church
    Taylorsville, N. C. (4 reviews)
Calvary Lutheran Church
    West Chester, Pa.
Portfolio Design—H-132A
Design M-162—262
Redeemer Lutheran Church
    Des Moines, Iowa
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
    Upper Arlington
    Columbus, Ohio (2 reviews)
Fort Wayne Series—Design M-186
Peachtree Road Lutheran Church
    Atlanta, Ga.
Design M-192—298
Grace Lutheran Church
    Oak Ridge, Tenn. (2 reviews)
Trinity Lutheran Church
    Manhattan Beach, Calif.
Design OS1-176
First Lutheran Church (Parsonage)
    Collingdale, Pa. (2 reviews)

### PLANS REVIEWED AND NOT APPROVED

St. Paul's Lutheran Church
    Vancouver, Wash.
Hope Lutheran Church
    Detroit, Mich.
Gladstone Park Lutheran Church
    Chicago, Ill.
St. Luke's Lutheran Church
    Hickory, N. C.
Orangeburg Lutheran Church
    Orangeburg, S. C.
Design H-130
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
    Erie, Pa.
Trinity Lutheran Church
    Bradenton Fla. (2 reviews)
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
    South Bend, Ind. (2 reviews)
St. Mark's Lutheran Church
    West Fairview, Pa.
Trinity Lutheran Chapel
    Roanoke, Va.
Gloria Dei Lutheran Church
    Denver, Colo.
St. Paul's Lutheran Church
    Regina, Sask., Canada
St. Matthews Lutheran Church
    Lancaster, Pa.
Fox Point Series—Design M-190—332
Grace Lutheran Church
    Villa Park, Ill. (2 reviews)
Messiah Lutheran Church
    Salisbury, N. C. (2 reviews)
Fort Wayne Series
Design M-186
Trinity Lutheran Church
    Paxton, Nebr.
Messiah Lutheran Church
    Philadelphia, Pa.
Bethesda-on-the-Bay Lutheran Church
    Bay Village, Ohio
Grace Lutheran Church
    Stratford, Conn.

First Lutheran Church
Tulsa, Okla.
Christ Church
Flushing, N. Y. (2 reviews)
Latvian Lutheran Church
Senatobia, Miss.
St. John's Lutheran Church
McKeesport, Pa.

### REQUESTS FOR PLANS OR SERVICES

First Lutheran Church
Humberstone, Ont., Canada
Emanuel Lutheran Church
Roanoke, Va.
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
South Bend, Ind.
Rogers Park Lutheran Church
Chicago, Ill.
Mt. Zion Lutheran Church
Lucas, Ohio
St. John's Lutheran Church
Three Rivers, Mich.
Salem Lutheran Church
Parrottsville, Tenn.
St. Mark's Lutheran Church
West Fairview, Pa.
St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Nanuet, N. Y.
St. John's Lutheran Church
Akron, Ohio
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
Rocky Mount, N. C. (2 requests)
First English Lutheran Church
Iowa City, Iowa
First English Lutheran Church
Freeport, Me.
St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Glenside, Pa.
(Approval or disapproval not involved. Plans O.K.)
Christ Lutheran Church
Water St., Philadelphia, Pa.
Lutheran Church of the Holy Comforter
Baltimore, Md.

### FIELD VISITS

Epiphany Lutheran Church
Roxborough, Phila., Pa.
St. James Lutheran Church
Lebanon, Pa.
Macedonia Lutheran Church
Burlington, N. C.
St. Luke's Lutheran Church
Youngstown, Ohio
St. John's Lutheran Church
Auburn, Pa.
Calvary Lutheran Church
West Chester, Pa.
Zion Lutheran Church
Penbrooke, Harrisburg, Pa.
St. Mark's Lutheran Church
Auburn, Ind.
Emmanuel Lutheran Church
New Philadelphia, Ohio
St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Bethlehem, Pa.
Emanuel Lutheran Church
Philadelphia, Pa.

### DRAWINGS PREPARED

St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Nehling, Nebr.
St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Temperence, Mich.
Salem Lutheran Church
Freemont, Nebr.

### OFFICE CONFERENCES

Gethsemane Lutheran Church
Keysport, N. J.
Cross of Glory Lutheran Church
Detroit, Mich.
Holy Cross Lutheran Church
Lake Ronkonkoma, N. Y.
Hope Lutheran Church
Dearborn, Mich.
St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Bridgeport, Conn.
Ascension Lutheran Church
Baltimore, Md.
St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Newark, Ohio
Grace Lutheran Church
Stratford, Conn.
Emanuel Lutheran Church
Philadelphia, Pa.
Evan. Lutheran Church
Lawrence, Mass.

**7. Allocation of space in Lutheran Church House for Department of Church Architecture**

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"At its initial meeting on May 18, 1950 the Consulting Committee for the Department of Church Architecture took the following action (Minutes, pp. 1, 3):

> " 'Upon motion of Dr. Walker, seconded by Dr. Bowman, it was recommended to the Executive Board that 650 sq. ft. of floor space on the fourth floor, southeast corner, at a per sq. ft. cost of \$3.12½ or a total annual rental of \$2,031.25, would be acceptable.
>
> Adopted.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Department of Church Architecture be given space in the Lutheran Church House, the actual amount to be decided by the Church House Management in accordance with its regular procedures."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 8. Department of Church Architecture, Budget for 1951

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"At the same meeting of the Consulting Committee for the Department of Church Architecture the illustrative annual budget for the first year (1948 minutes, p. 324) was reviewed. The following revised budget is now presented to the Executive Board for its action:

" '*Proposed Income:*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Parish and Church School Board (deduct from boards share of U.L.C.A. budget) | | $ 3,300 |
| U.L.C.A. (present annual expense allowance for Committee on Church Architecture | | 1,500 |
| The Board of American Missions | | |
| from current funds (for transmittal to Interdenominational Bureau of Church Architecture) | $ 1,300) | |
| from current funds | 5,000) | $17,800 |
| from Church Extension Interest funds | 11,500) | |
| Board of Publication | | 1,500 |
| U.L.C.A. (new appropriation) | | 6,500 |
| Estimated reimbursement of expenses incurred by department in services to self-supporting congregations | | 3,000 |
| Board of Social Missions | | 200 |
| Board of Education | | 200 |
| | | $34,000 |

" '*Proposed Expenditures:*

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|---|---|
| Office Rent | $ 2,100 |
| Executive salaries: | |
| a. Architect | 9,800 |
| b. Clergyman | 6,500 |
| Stenographer | 2,600 |
| Supplies and telephone | 1,200 |
| Plans and printing | 2,000 |
| Travel and educational program | 6,500 |
| Consulting Committee meetings | 1,000 |
| Interdenominational Bureau of Church Architecture | 1,300 |
| Pensions | 652 |
| | $33,652' |

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board authorize expenditures at the rate indicated in the foregoing budget from the date of the beginning of operations of the Department of Church Architecture until February 1, 1951, with the understanding that the budget will be reviewed in detail by the Finance Committee at the January 1951 meeting of the Executive Board."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 9. Staff Personnel for Department of Church Architecture

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report:

"The Committee on Boards and Committees submits as INFORMATION the following action taken by the Consulting Committee for the Department of Church Architecture at its May 18, 1950 meeting:

> " 'NOMINATION OF STAFF PERSONNEL:
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> " 'Upon motion by Dr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Martsolf, this item was referred to the Executive Committee of the Consulting Committee for study and consideration, with instructions to recommend to the Consulting Committee qualified staff personnel, and report to the next meeting of the Consulting Committee.
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> Adopted.'

"Subsequent elections of staff members for the Department of Church Architecture are the responsibility of the Executive Board."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 10. Budget of Department of Church Architecture

(See III, 33, a, p. 162, of this report.)

## vii. COMMITTEE OF EXECUTIVE SECRETARIES

### 1. Clearing Dates for Camp Assemblies, and Conferences

"By action of the Executive Board, January 1947, upon recommendation of the Board of Social Missions, the secretary of the Church was authorized to offer the facilities of his office as a clearing house for the recording of data concerning conferences, institutes, summer schools and camps, sponsored by boards, agencies, auxiliaries and synods of the Church. Since that time the secretary has been functioning in line with this authorization but it has involved very considerable labor leading to an inquiry as to the help that it has been to the executive secretaries. In answer to that inquiry the Committee of Executive Secretaries on April 12, 1949 stated:

> " 'It was voted that the Committee of Executive Secretaries express its judgment to the Executive Board that the office of the secretary of the U.L.C.A. can be relieved of the extensive labor involved in its present procedure in this matter; and further, that all the real values in such a listing will be conserved if a period is regularly set aside in the December meeting of the committee for mutual consultation regarding institutes and conferences planned by boards, agencies and auxiliaries for the succeeding year.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board express itself as believing that the suggested consultation in December of each year will adequately fulfill the purpose of the action of January 1947, and that the Executive Board, therefore, rescind the authorization of that date."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 2. Common Personnel Practices for Non-staff Employees of U.L.C.A., Its Boards and Agencies

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Committee of Executive Secretaries reports that at its meeting of April 12, 1949

> "'It was regularly moved and seconded that the Committee of Executive Secretaries request the Executive Board for permission to make a study of the advisability of common personnel practices for all boards, agencies, and auxiliaries with a final report to be submitted to the Executive Board for approval.'

"It would appear that the matter was introduced by the Board of American Missions which sought information regarding any stated provisions governing the length of sick leave to be allowed to employees. The requested study offers the possibility of affording valuable protection to employers and employees.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees therefore, RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board grant the Committee of Executive Secretaries permission to make a study of the advisability of common personnel practices for all boards, agencies, and auxiliaries with a final report to be submitted to the Executive Board for such action as it may see fit to take."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report:

"The following actions were taken by the Committee of Executive Secretaries at its meeting in Philadelphia, April 4, 1950.

> "'It was moved that, following the instructions of the Executive Board (Minutes, April 1949, p. 234) and basing its findings on a survey of the present practices of our Church's boards, agencies, and auxiliaries, the Committee of Executive Secretaries present to the Executive Board the following outline of common personnel practices for non-staff employees of the U.L.C.A., its boards, agencies, and auxiliaries; and suggest that the Executive Board forward this outline to the boards, agencies, and auxiliaries of the Church as a guide for these purposes:
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> "'Outline of Common Personnel Practices for Non-Staff Employees
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> "'(*a*) That vacations be granted on the basis of one day annual paid vacation for each month of employment, not to exceed ten working days, for the first year; two weeks annual vacation after first year; and an additional week after five years of employment.
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> "'(*b*) That the maximum of nine paid holidays be granted during the calendar year.
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> "'(*c*) That a "work-week" consist of not less than 35 hours, and that no overtime be paid until 40 hours have been worked in any one week.
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> "'(*d*) That a group hospitalization insurance plan be adopted by the boards, agencies, and auxiliaries of the Church for their full-time permanent employees only, the cost applicable to the employees to be borne by the employer, and the cost of any additional benefits to be paid for by the employees.'

The Executive Board took the following action: "Motion made and seconded that this study be referred back to the Committee of Executive Secretaries with the request that a survey be made of the personnel practices of other Church denominations and of industry, including in this survey an analysis of the working hours of employees; and further that the committee specify the number of persons involved if (*d*) above were carried out, as well as the approximate total expense to each board."

This motion was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 3. Blanket Travel Accident Insurance for Secretarial Staff of U.L.C.A., Its Boards and Agencies

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Committee of Executive Secretaries reports that at its meeting April 12, 1949

> " 'It was regularly moved and seconded that the Committee of Executive Secretaries request the Executive Board for permission to make a study of the desirability of blanket personnel insurance protection for all boards, agencies and auxiliaries of the Church for the benefit of their secretarial staffs as they travel by auto, bus, rail and air.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board grant the Committee of Executive Secretaries permission to make the requested study, submitting to the Executive Board its final report for such action as the Executive Board may see fit to take."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the treasurer presented the following report and recommendation:

"At the meeting in April 1949 (Executive Board Minutes, pp. 234-235) the Executive Board authorized the Committee of Executive Secretaries 'to make a study of the desirability of blanket personnel insurance protection for all boards, agencies, and auxiliaries of the Church for the benefit of their secretarial staffs as they travel by auto, bus, rail and air.'

"Comptroller Warden made the following report to the Committee of Executive Secretaries regarding this study at the meeting of that Committee on September 6, 1949.

> " 'BLANKET PERSONNEL INSURANCE
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> " 'The type of insurance coverage which was investigated under this title is the travel accident policy.
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> " 'The coverage can be granted under a master policy with a schedule of names of those to be covered thereunder and additional names can be added or eliminated during the contract period.
>
> " 'The Broad Coverage form would extend coverage to *any* accident while traveling on business outside of the area of office domicile anywhere in the United States, excluding commutation travel. This would provide protection for 24 hours a day, whether or not the insured individual was actually on a common carrier and for any form of accident (so-called 24 hour coverage).
>
> " 'An estimate of the cost of this insurance for the limits stated is as follows:

| | " '*Am't of coverage* | *Annual premium per individual* |
|---|---|---|
| " 'Principal sum | $5,000.00 | $10.50 |
| Medical reimbursement | 500.00 | 3.60 |
| Weekly indemnity | 25.00 | 4.50 |
| Total per individual | | $18.60 |

> " 'Larger benefits will cost proportionately more. The Principal Sum coverage may be purchased alone or in combination with medical reimbursement and/or weekly indemnity.
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> " 'If approximately 50 staff secretaries and executives are considered for this coverage, the annual premium would be $930. All other personnel may be included for an additional 10 per cent of the cost. In other words, for the limits stated above, the total cost for total coverage would be a little over $1,000.'

"Acting on this information the Committee of Executive Secretaries RECOMMENDS

> " 'That the Executive Board encourage the boards, agencies and auxiliaries of the Church to unite in blanket personnel insurance coverage of the travel

accident type as suggested in the report, with responsibility for administering this policy to be in the office of the comptroller.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board approve this procedure and instruct the secretary of the Church to communicate this approval to the boards, agencies and auxiliaries of the Church and to Comptroller Warden."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"The information requested from the boards and agencies which are participating in the application for a group accident policy is not yet complete. The traveling personnel of the Directing Committee of CHEY have made application to be covered under this plan, and, therefore, a sufficient number is now enrolled to make the issuance of the policy possible. The available data have been given to the insurance broker, and it is hoped that the policy will be in effect before February 1, 1950.

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that travel accident insurance be secured for the following persons, salaried by the Executive Board, in connection with the group travel accident policy. An appropriation in the amount of $144.20 will be made for this purpose.

"Rev. Franklin C. Fry
Rev. F. Eppling Reinartz
Rev. George Harkins
Henry Endress
John Weaver
Zeb Trexler
Carl Warden"

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report:

"On January 23, 1950 travel accident insurance (Executive Board Minutes January, 1950, p. 645) became effective for a 12-month period, covering the traveling personnel of all boards and agencies of the U.L.C.A. There are 108 persons covered by this insurance. The total premium for one year is $2,254.80. This amount will be pro-rated and billed to the participating boards and agencies in proportion to the number of persons in a given board or agency included in the coverage.

"The boards and agencies found it necessary to approve this coverage at their board meetings and then to obtain the information from the individuals to be covered. This accounts for the delay in putting this insurance into effect.

"Under our arrangement with the insurance company, a master policy will be issued to the U.L.C.A. A certified copy of the policy will be issued to each board and agency, and in addition, a mimeographed letter will be issued to each individual covered, indicating the pertinent information in connection with his insurance. Each individual covered will be given the opportunity to correct or change his beneficiary after he has received the letter indicating the extent of his coverage.

"The question of covering the employees originally considered as Group 2 (those who travel infrequently) still has to be studied. Our first investigations make us wonder whether such coverage is economically sound."

This item was received as information.

### 4. Blanket Public Liability Insurance Coverage for Automobile Accidents

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report:

"The Committee of Executive Secretaries reports that at its meeting April 12, 1949

> "'It was regularly moved and seconded that the Committee of Executive Secretaries request the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church for permission to make a similar study of the desirability of a blanket insurance coverage to protect boards, agencies and auxiliaries against possible liability arising out of automobile accidents in which their employees may be involved in the course of their services.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees Recommends that the Executive Board grant the Committee of Executive Secretaries permission to make the requested study, submitting to the Executive Board its final report for such action as the Executive Board may see fit to take."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 5. Group Hospitalization for All Staff Members

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

> "'It was moved that, as a corollary to the above, (Common Personnel Practices) the Committee of Executive Secretaries call the attention of the Executive Board to the desirability of the extension of group hospitalization to include the staff members of the Church, its boards, agencies and auxiliaries. Adopted.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees Recommends that the Executive Board express its approval of the principle of group hospitalization for staff members of the Church, its boards, agencies, and auxiliaries, provided that the cost to the Church is not prohibitive; and that the Finance Committee investigate and report the cost for the officers of the Church and the staff employees of the Executive Board."

The Executive Board took the following further action: "Moved and carried to defer action on this recommendation until the other phases of personnel practices can be considered."

### 6. Publication of Complete Catalog of Printed Materials, and Establishment of Central Distribution Agency

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"In April 1947, (Executive Board Minutes, p. 166), the Executive Board asked the Committee of Executive Secretaries to prepare a catalog of all printed materials maintained in stock for congregational distribution. At the April 1948 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee of Executive Secretaries outlined preliminary steps to this end and the Executive Board commended these tentative proposals as 'a definite step in the direction of achieving the joint distribution agency proposed a year ago.'

"The Committee of Executive Secretaries considered this assignment further at its meeting on September 6, 1949 and came to the conviction that the establishment of a central depository and distribution agency for all printed materials of the boards and auxiliaries is undesirable for the following reasons:

> "'1. The use of the Publication House and its branches as a Joint Distribution Agency would merely add additional places for securing promotional materials instead of reducing the number of such places.

> " '2. Using all of the branches of the Publication House as depositories would require too many pieces of literature for storing.
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> " '3. Executive Secretaries have discovered that many persons order promotional materials in greater quantities than needed. The Publication House or its branches could not screen and reduce the number of pieces requested as efficiently as the boards themselves.
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> " '4. Many tracts and pamphlets are designed for distribution at the rate of one piece to a congregation. When such tracts or pamphlets are mailed out, a letter of explanation by one of the secretaries is usually included with the tract or pamphlet. Such a letter of explanation would be difficult for anyone not a member of the staff of the board concerned to write.'

"The Committee of Executive Secretaries therefore agreed:

> " 'The desired list of available promotional materials will now be compiled promptly and will be included as a part of the *Pastor's Desk Book*. The office where each pamphlet can be secured will be clearly designated in the printed list. By using this method additional promotional materials can be brought to the attention of the pastors as they become available.
>
> " 'Since such a list was not completed (by the Boards and Agencies) in time for publication in the 1949 Year Book it was the judgment of the Committee of Executive Secretaries that the inclusion of such a feature in future year books should be left entirely to the discretion of the secretary of the Church.'

"It was voted that the Executive Board concur in this judgment of the Committee of Executive Secretaries."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 7. Stewardship Sermon Outlines—"The Gospel of Giving" (Executive Board Minutes, January, 1947, p. 76; September 1948, p. 696)

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report:

"The Committee on Boards and Committees reports as information that 'The Gospel of Giving,' a series of twenty-four stewardship sermon suggestions, under fourteen general themes, written by nineteen pastors, has been published in loose-leaf form and distributed to the pastors of the United Lutheran Church in accordance with the previous actions of the Executive Board. The sermon suggestions show an encouraging degree of originality and promise to be effective instruments for the assistance of pastors in cultivating a deeper sense of stewardship throughout our Church.

"The cost of producing and mailing these loose-leaf outlines is to be met through drafts against the balance in the Committee of Executive Secretaries' fund. Additional copies in booklet form will be available to those who wish to purchase them."

This item was received as information.

### 8. Proposed Meeting for All Staff Secretaries

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"At its meeting, December 28, 1949, the Committee of Executive Secretaries took the following action:

> " 'It was voted that the Committee of Executive Secretaries request the permission of the Executive Board to invite to the December 27, 1950 meeting of the Committee of Executive Secretaries all staff secretaries of the Church.' (Minutes, page 19)

"The proposed meeting of all staff secretaries is to be experimental in nature and is to be held for the purpose of cultivating good will and increasing a deeper understanding of the total program of the Church among those who will attend.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board grant permission to the Committee of Executive Secretaries to invite to its meeting on December 27, 1950 all staff secretaries of the boards and auxiliaries of the Church."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 9. Permission to Convene Special Meetings for Promotion Secretaries Granted

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

> "'It was moved that the Committee of Executive Secretaries request the permission of the Executive Board to convene occasional meetings of appointees of the respective boards and agencies of the U.L.C.A. representing their promotional and literature departments for the purpose of correlating their respective promotional plans and programs. Adopted.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees is very much impressed with the need of the proposed correlation and RECOMMENDS that the Committee of Executive Secretaries be authorized to convene such meetings for the purpose stated."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 10. Committee of Executive Secretaries—Author for Study Book for Church Councilmen

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report:

"Your committee notes, for purpose of information, that the Committee of Executive Secretaries at its December 28, 1948, meeting designated an author for the next study book for church councilmen authorized by the Executive Board at its meeting of April 14-15, 1948 and reported to the Church on page 143 of the 1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes."

This item was received as information.

### *11. Possible Re-Study of Responsibility for Producing and Distributing Audio-Visual Aids. (For action, see p. 873)

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"The following excerpt comes from the minutes of the Committee of Executive Secretaries at its meeting on September 6, 1950: 'It was moved and adopted that the Committee of Executive Secretaries request the Executive Board of the U.L.C.A. to consider the advisability of re-studying the responsibility for producing and distributing audio-visual aids within the U.L.C.A.' (1940 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 87-88)

"The Committee on Boards and Committees has been made aware of the fact that there is no such unified handling of audio-visual aids at present as was envisaged in the action of 1940, whereby the whole matter was placed under the Board of Publication.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees therefore RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board recommend to the United Lutheran Church that the Executive Board be authorized to undertake the proposed restudy in consultation with representatives of the Board of Publication and of the various boards, agencies, and auxiliaries of the U.L.C.A. which are undertaking the production and distribution of audio-visual materials."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 12. Assistant to President to be Member of Committee of Executive Secretaries

(See I, 7, (e), 3, p. 80, of this report.)

## viii. COMMITTEE ON GERMAN INTERESTS

### 1. Committee on German Interests—General German Conference

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"At a meeting of the committee on January 12, 1949 the following motion was passed:

> " 'Resolved that we ask the Executive Board to grant us permission, to hold again this year (1949) a General German Conference, if possible on October 12 and 13. If such permission is given, that your committee be also allowed to hold a regular church service with the celebration of the Lord's Supper.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS

"1. That the Executive Board give the desired permission for the holding of a General German Conference in the fall of 1949, and

"2. That the Executive Board give permission for the celebration of the Lord's Supper in connection with the meeting of the General German Conference."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

## ix. INVESTMENT COMMISSION

### 1. Resignation of Robbin B. Wolf from Investment Commission

At the January 1949 meeting the officers reported the following resignation to the Executive Board:

"In a letter dated January 5, 1949, addressed to the secretary, Attorney Robbin B. Wolf, submits his resignation as a member of the Investment Commission of The United Lutheran Church in America. Attorney Wolf's letter follows:

> " 'Dear Dr. Reinartz:
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> " 'I am writing to tender my resignation as a member of the Commission on Investments effective at the pleasure of the Executive Board by which I was appointed. If reason be required, it is so as to be in position to have more time for the work of the Executive Board which has apparently become much more involved than during my previous terms of service. I shall send a copy to Mr. Stackel, chairman of the commission.
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> " 'Cordially,<br>
> (Signed)<br>
> 'Robbin B. Wolf'

"The officers RECOMMEND that Dr. Wolf's resignation from membership on the Investment Commission be accepted."

The Executive Board adopted the recommendation of the officers.

### 2. Nominations to Membership on Investment Commission

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the following persons were elected to membership on the U.L.C.A. Investment Commission:

(*a*) *Mr. Paul Immo Gulden*

"The name of Mr. Paul Immo Gulden is proposed for membership on the Investment Commission of The United Lutheran Church in America, vice Dr. Robbin B. Wolf, resigned, term expiring 1952.

"Mr. Gulden is associated with McMullen, Park and Hard, a New York stock exchange firm. He was formerly connected with the W. R. K. Taylor Company of 120 Broadway, New York, N. Y. Mr. Gulden has been a financial administrator for many years. His age is 49. His residence is Bellevue Avenue, Rumson, New Jersey. He is president of the Board of Trustees of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Holy Trinity, Manhattan. Mr. Gulden's personal religion is characterized by deep conviction and warm devotion. In his boyhood he was a member of the internationally famed Leipzig Choir.

"The officers, in behalf of themselves and the Finance Committee, RECOMMEND that the secretary cast the ballot of the Executive Board electing Mr. Paul Immo Gulden to membership on the Investment Commission, vice Attorney Robbin B. Wolf, resigned, term expiring 1952."

The Executive Board adopted the joint recommendation of the officers and the Finance Committee. The secretary cast the ballot of the Executive Board for Mr. Paul Immo Gulden as a member of the Investment Commission, term expiring 1952. The president declared Mr. Gulden elected.

(b) *Mr. Henry A. Melander*

The term of Mr. Henry A. Melander, as a member of the Investment Commission expires at this time.

In behalf of the Finance Committee and themselves, the officers RECOMMEND that the secretary cast the ballot of the Executive Board for Mr. Henry A. Melander as a member of the Investment Commission, to succeed himself, term expiring 1954.

The Executive Board adopted the joint recommendation of the officers and the Finance Committee. The secretary cast the ballot of the Executive Board for Mr. Henry A. Melander as a member of the Investment Commission, term expiring 1954. The president declared Mr. Melander elected.

### 3. Elections to Membership on Investment Commission—Mr. John H. Repass, Mr. Walter W. Ross

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report and recommendation:

"The terms of two members of the U.L.C.A. Investment Commission, from among those members elected by the Executive Board, expire in 1950, viz. Mr. John H. Repass and Mr. Walter W. Ross. In view of the devoted and capable service of these two members of the Investment Commission,

"The officers RECOMMEND that the secretary cast the ballot of the Executive Board re-electing Mr. John H. Repass and Mr. Walter W. Ross as members of the Investment Commission, for the term expiring 1955."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"The secretary cast the ballot of the Executive Board for Mr. John H. Repass and Mr. Walter W. Ross for re-election to membership in the Investment Commission for the term expiring 1955.

"The President declared them elected."

### 4. Investment Commission—Amendments to the Rules and Regulations

At the April 1949 meeting of the Exectuive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendations:

(*a*) *Size of Executive Committee*

"In 1947 at the April meeting the Executive Board (Minutes, April 1948, pp. 183-184) approved an amendment of Article VIII enlarging the Executive Committee of the Investment Commission. The Investment Commission now wishes to expand the possible size of its Executive Committee again because of the increased number of professional, technically efficient, investment specialists now in its membership and proposes that Article VIII, reading:

> " 'There shall be an Executive Committee consisting of the chairman of the Commission and five other members elected annually by the Commission . . .'

be amended to read:

> " 'There shall be an Executive Committee, consisting of the chairman of the Commission and *not fewer than five or more than seven* other members elected annually by the Commission . . .'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees Recommends that the amendment be approved."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

(*b*) *Correction of Error, and Amendment*

"In April 1948 the Executive Board thought that it amended Article IX of the Rules and Regulations of the Investment Commission (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 184) by adding the (Investment Commission) secretary to the list of officers authorized to certify actions of the Executive Committee. The fact is that the (Investment Commission) secretary was omitted in the amendment as proposed by the Investment Commission itself and was included by error in the Executive Board's own action. Since all amendments to the rules and regulations must be adopted by the Commission before they are approved by the Church, or the Excutive Board, this action was consequently out of order in April 1948. However, since this occurred, the Investment Commission itself has decided that it will be useful to have the (Investment Commission) secretary certify to actions of the Executive Committee. As a result, the Commission adopted on February 22, 1949 the amendment which we thought had been adopted in 1948.

"Article IX, second paragraph, last sentence read as follows before the incorrect action of the Executive Board:

> " 'The certification of the chairman of the Committee shall be evidence of such approval.'

"The Investment Commission has now taken action amending the sentence to read as follows:

> " 'The certification of the chairman, vice-chairman, or secretary of the commission shall be evidence of such approval.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees Recommends approval of the amendment."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 5. U.L.C.A. Investment Commission Service Offered to Synods

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report:

"From the minutes of the annual meeting of the Investmuent Commission, February 22, 1949, page 4:

> "'That the Executive Board be requested to communicate with all synods that the Investment Commission was organized to give service to synods as well as to the boards of the Church as a whole.'

"Other items of interest from this same report were presented at the April, 1949 meeting of the Executive Board. The particular item mentioned above came to our attention only after the minutes of the Investment Commission meeting were received (following the meeting of the Executive Board).

"Under Report of Officers, page 153, April 20-21, 1949 meeting of the Executive Board, it was reported that, at the request of the synodical presidents, Comptroller Warden on April 8, 1949, 'sent a letter to every synodical president giving him the desired information, and offering synods and their institutions the opportunity to avail themselves of this expert counsel.' This has fulfilled the intention of this action by the Investment Commission."

This item was received as information.

## x. REPORT OF KNUBEL-MILLER LECTURE COMMITTEE

### 1. Directive

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Secretary presented the following report:

The 1944 convention of the Church approved the following rule of procedure: (1944 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 129)

> "This Committee shall report to the Executive Board at the last regular meeting of the board prior to each biennial convention, and shall present such items at other meetings of the Board as require approval . . . ."

Inasmuch as the committee has been reporting its activities to the Executive Board fully every quarter, the requirements of the rule of procedure will be met by a summary of the biennium's actions and plans.

### 2. Meetings During the Biennium and Membership of Committee

The Knubel-Miller Lecture Committee has met twice during the biennium under review: March 7, 1949 and March 6, 1950. Besides the officers of the Church, the following persons have served on the committee during the past two years:

Rev. W. H. Greever
Rev. O. Garfield Beckstrand
Rev. John H. Fray
Rev. Robert W. Stackel
Mr. John W. Jouno

### 3. Officers

During the years 1949 and 1950 the following have served as officers of the Committee:

President: Rev. O. Garfield Beckstrand
Secretary: Rev. F. Eppling Reinartz
Treasurer: Dr. Henry Beisler

### 4. Lecturers and Lecture Subjects

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1949 | Rev. Harry F. Baughman | Expository Preaching |
| | Lecture book title: *Preaching from the Propers* | |
| 1950 | Rev. Oscar W. Carlson | Evangelism |
| | Lecture book title: *Evangelism—The Church's Singular Task* | |

### 5. Other Publications

Both in 1949 and in 1950 the committee published and distributed to pastors in the lecture areas a pamphlet (2,500 copies) outlining the lectures of the year, giving dates and places of the presentations and a biographical sketch of the lecturer.

### 6. Location of Lecture Presentations

The 1949 lectures were presented at:

Indianapolis, Indiana
Topeka, Kansas
Buffalo, New York
Roanoke, Virginia
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

The 1950 lectures were presented at:

Twin Cities, Minnesota
Seattle, Washington
Los Angeles, California
Columbus, Ohio
Salisbury, North Carolina
Washington, D. C.

### 7. Lecture Books Distributed on Request Basis

The pastors in the U.L.C.A. were given the opportunity to register by mail their desire to have the 1950 lecture book. (This solicitation of request cards will again be made in 1950.) Requests for the 1949 lectures came from 2,712 pastors. The books were distributed gratis also to all senior seminarians of the U.L.C.A, and to most Lutheran college and seminary libraries in North America.

### 8. Survey of Desired Lecture Subjects

On the 1949 lecture book request card pastors were asked to suggest to the Knubel-Miller Committee the subjects they would like to have considered by the Committee in the next years. Following is a list of the subjects requested by 20 or more pastors. (In all there were 78 subjects proposed.)

Pastoral Counseling 122 (The 1952 Lecture Area)
Social Issues and Social Action 68
The Pastor as Catechist of Youth, Adults 59
The Sacraments 53
Pastoral Visitation and Calling 43
Eschatology 41
Ministry of Comfort 40
The Lutheran Pastor in the Community 39
 (Parish Public Relations)
The Lutheran Confessions 30
Ministerial Acts and Occasional Services 25
Church and State 25
Evangelism 24
Lutheran Unity 22
Youth Work 21
Lutheran Church and the Ecumenical Movement 20
 (Are Confessionalism and the Ecumenical Movement Compatible?)

### 9. Sources of the Funds for the Lectures

The sources of support of the Knubel-Miller lectures during the 1949-1950 biennium have in the main been the following:

(1) Interest on the Knubel-Miller Foundation fund
(2) Income of the undesignated general trust funds of the Executive Board has been appropriated by that Board to the current income account of the Knubel-Miller Foundation.
(3) Contributions by individuals
(4) Allocation from the 1948 double apportionment fund
(5) Royalties from the sale of Knubel-Miller lecture books by the United Lutheran Publication House.

### 10. Plans for the 1951 and 1952 Presentation

1951 Lecture Subject: Worship—the pastor's ministries at the altar
1951 Lecturer: The Rev. Edward Traill Horn, III, pastor, Trinity Lutheran Church, Germantown, Philadelphia, Pa.

1951 Lecture Places:
Austin, Texas
Kitchener-Waterloo, Ontario
Lancaster, Pennsylvania
Louisville, Kentucky
Toledo, Ohio

1952 Lecture Subject: Some phase of Pastoral Counseling

*1951 Knubel-Miller Lecture Schedule and Roster of Synodical Committees*

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Secretary on behalf of the Knubel-Miller Lecture Committee presented the following report:

"Following is the schedule of the Knubel-Miller lecture presentations for 1951, together with the roster of the committees, appointed by the several synod presidents, to care for local promotion and arrangements.

*"Ministerium of Pennsylvania*

*Lancaster, Pennsylvania*

*January 8-9, 1951*

| | |
|---|---|
| Chairman: The Rev. James Harrison | 976 E. Orange St., Lancaster, Pa. |
| The Rev. Henry H. Bagger, D.D. | 43 N. Lime St., Lancaster, Pa. |
| The Rev. Ralph W. Birk | 104 E. High St., Manheim, Pa. |
| The Rev. Robert L. Koehler, Jr. | 2729 N. Second St., Harrisburg, Pa. |
| The Rev. John R. Albright | Reamstown, Pennsylvania |
| The Rev. Harry T. Richwine | 204 E. Main St., Annville, Pa. |

*"Kentucky-Tennessee*

*Louisville, Kentucky*

*January 11-12, 1951*

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|---|---|
| Chairman: The Rev. Arthur M. Huffman, D.D. | 2040 Sherwood Ave., Louisville, Ky. |
| The Rev. Ira Roscoe Ladd, D.D. | 1430 Highland Ave., Louisville, Ky. |
| The Rev. Gerard D. Busch | 448 N. 26th St., Louisville 12, Ky. |

*"Texas Synod*

*Austin, Texas*

*January 15-16, 1951*

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|---|---|
| Chairman: The Rev. Lewis P. Speaker | 3001 Whitis Ave., Austin 21, Texas |
| The Rev. A. A. Hahn | 406 N. Esplanade, Cuero, Texas |
| The Rev. Louis de Freese | 6646 Park Lane, Houston 11, Texas |
| The Rev. Philip Wahlberg, Jr. | 3138 St. Alameda Dr., Corpus Christi, Tex. |
| The Rev. William Hoebel | 4418 Travis St., Dallas 5, Texas. |

*"Ohio Synod*

*Toledo, Ohio*

*January 22-23, 1951*

| | |
|---|---|
| Chairman: The Rev. Walter W. Ebert, D.D. | Box 221, Toledo 1, Ohio |
| The Rev. William R. Makley | 1509 Ontario St., Toledo 11, Ohio |
| The Rev. Paul E. Becher | 619 Nevada St., Toledo 5, Ohio |

*"Canada Synod*

*Kitchener, Waterloo*

*January 25-26, 1951*

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|---|---|
| Chairman: The Rev. John Schmieder, D.D. | 43 Alma St., Kitchener, Ont., Can. |
| The Rev. Arnold L. Conrad | 9 Church St., Waterloo, Ont., Can. |
| The Rev. C. S. Roberts | Hespeler, Ont., Canada |
| The Rev. Karl Knauff | 66 Centre St., Stratford, Ont., Can. |
| The Rev. J. H. Reble, D.D. | 172 Albert St., Waterloo, Ont., Can." |

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 11. Financial Statement for the Biennium

For the statement of the receipts and expenditures of the committee for the biennium July 1, 1948 to June 20, 1950 see the report of the treasurer of the Church to this convention, p. 52).

### 12. Undesignated Income of General Trust Funds Voted to Knubel-Miller Foundation, Income Fund, 1949, 1950

(See III, 15 (a), p. 126.)

### 13. Proposal to Raise Endowment Fund

(See III, 15 (b), p. 126.)

## xi. LUTHERAN LAYMEN'S RADIO COMMITTEE AND INTERIM RADIO COMMITTEE

### 1. Lutheran Laymen's Radio Committee Suggests Study of Its Status and Financing of "Sunday Vespers"

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Committee on Boards and Committees has had brought to its attention the increasingly difficult task that the Lutheran Laymen's Radio Committee faces in the financing of the broadcast of the Lutheran program known as the 'Sunday Vespers.'

"The Lutheran Laymen's Committee seems to bear a relationship to the Church similar to that of the Historical Society of the U.L.C.A. in that it makes reports and offers recommendations, by action of the Church itself, (1932 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 448, 449; 1934, p. 54) but in other respects is quite independent of the Church in its operations and in its support.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees believes that the time has come when consideration ought to be given to the twofold problem of the official status of the Lutheran Laymen's Radio Committee and of the financing of its broadcasting program.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees, therefore, RECOMMENDS: That the Executive Board authorize a study of the situation with particular reference to the question whether or not a place should be found in the budget of the Church or of the Executive Board for this work."

The recommendation was adopted.

The Executive Board took this further action: "Moved and carried that the Finance Committee be asked to make this study."

### 2. Final Report of The Lutheran Laymen's Radio Committee—1948 and 1949

"In each of the years 1948 and 1949 the 'Sunday Vespers' program of the Committee was on the air Sundays for four months, June through September.

"In 1948 the radio preacher was Dr. Oscar F. Blackwelder for the month of June, and for the remaining three months Dr. Robert D. Hershey. That year the program was carried by 78 stations of the American Broadcasting Company from coast to coast. In 1949 the program was carried by 123 stations. The preacher for the four-month period was Dr. Hershey.

"In addition to this program the Committee participated in the broadcast series known as 'Gems for Thought.' In 1948 the speakers were Dr. F. Eppling Reinartz and Dr. Russell F. Auman, each for three months. In a three-month period in 1949 Dr. Auman was the speaker.

"In 1948, 19,400 copies of the sermons and talks were called for by radio listeners and in 1949, 21,000.

"Financial statements for the two years are as follows:

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|---|---|
| "Balance, January 1, 1948 | $ 215.41 |
| Receipts in 1948 | 7,471.16 |
| | 7,686.57 |
| Disbursements | 7,550.88 |
| Balance, January 1, 1949 | 135.69 |
| Receipts in 1949 | 7,511.82 |
| | 7,647.51 |
| Disbursements | 7,539.63 |
| Balance transferred to Treasurer of the U.L.C.A., December 31, 1949 | $ 107.88 |

"The Church's thanks are extended through the committee to the American Broadcasting Company and its Affiliated Independent Stations, for the facilities afforded us during the seasons of 1948 and 1949, and to Drs. Russell F. Auman, Oscar F. Blackwelder, Robert D. Hershey and F. Eppling Reinartz for the services rendered the Church through their radio ministry in 1948 and 1949.

"Henry Beisler, President
"S. Frederick Telleen, Treasurer
"Wesley B. Goodman, Secretary"

### 3. Lutheran Laymen's Radio Committee Members' Resignation Accepted and Its Faithful Work Commended

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"The following communication has been received today from Henry Beisler, Wesley B. Goodman and S. Frederick Telleen who comprise the whole membership of the Lutheran Laymen's Radio Committee.

"October 13, 1949

" 'The Executive Board of
The United Lutheran Church in America
New York

" 'Gentlemen:

" 'We the undersigned, hereby resign from membership in the Lutheran Laymen's Radio Committee and from the offices held by us therein, effective as of such date as may be fixed by you. These resignations are tendered upon the understanding which has been conveyed to us, that the work in which this Committee has been engaged will hereafter be assumed by The United Lutheran Church in America.

" 'Yours respectfully,
/s/ Henry Beisler, President
/s/ Wesley B. Goodman, Secretary
/s/ S. Frederick Telleen, Treasurer'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees Recommends that the Executive Board acknowledge this communication from the members of the Lutheran Laymen's Radio Committee resigning as members and officers as of this date, and express appreciation for the faithful and effective work done in our behalf through the years that are past."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees Recommends that the Executive Board, in behalf of The United Lutheran Church in America, accept future responsibility for the work relinquished by the Lutheran Laymen's Radio Committee and request the president to appoint a committee that will undertake to carry on this work until the convention of The United Lutheran Church in America in 1950."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 4. U.L.C.A. "Interim Radio Committee" Appointed

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the president presented the following report:

"As authorized by the Executive Board in October 1949, the president has appointed the following committee as an interim successor to the former Lutheran Laymen's Radio Committee to carry on until the 1950 convention the work which the latter group has performed so beneficially for our Church for many years.

Henry Beisler, 231 Madison Avenue, New York, Convener
Wesley B. Goodman, 297 Fourth Ave., New York

Everett G. Mitchell, 830 S. Washington St., Park Ridge, Ill.
S. Frederick Telleen, 231 Madison Avenue, New York
Miss Ruth Trexler, American Broadcasting Co., 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York

"In order to provide for continuity in the financial phases of this work, the president requested Mr. S. Frederick Telleen, the outstandingly faithful treasurer of the former Lutheran Laymen's Radio Committee, to continue to act until December 31, 1949 as treasurer of the small fund remaining in the committee's possession at the time of its dissolution. As such, Mr. Telleen was empowered to receive any further contributions and to make all necessary and proper disbursements until the end of the year. The administration of this fund was assumed by the office of the treasurer of the Church on January 1, 1950."

This item was received as information.

### 5. U.L.C.A. "Interim Radio Committee," Balance of Funds of Lutheran Laymen's Radio Committee Received; Authorization for Establishment of, "U.L.C.A. Radio Fund" Given

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"A check in the amount of $107.88, payable to the U.L.C.A., was received from Mr. S. F. Telleen, who was the treasurer of the Lutheran Laymen's Radio Committee. The funds represent the balance which remained in the bank account of that Committee on December 31, 1949 following its dissolution on October 13, 1949. It is planned to continue the radio work of the U.L.C.A. under the auspices of a new committee of the U.L.C.A., with the finances administered by the treasurer of the U.L.C.A. An initial appropriation of $5,000 has been allocated from Part II of the 1949 Apportionment receipts for this purpose.

"The Finance Committee Recommends that a fund designated 'U.L.C.A. Fund' be established on the books of the Executive Board to be credited with the funds received from the treasurer of the former Lutheran Laymen's Radio Committee, and contributions and appropriations designated for the U.L.C.A. radio work."

The recommendation was adopted.

The Executive Board took this further action: "Motion made and carried that the treasurer be authorized to make expenditures from this fund at his discretion as required."

### 6. New Radio Committee Arrangements Make U.L.C.A. By-law Amendment Desirable

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report:

"At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board, the following recommendation was adopted:

> "'That the Executive Board, in behalf of The United Lutheran Church in America, accept future responsibility for the work relinquished by the Lutheran Laymen's Radio Committee and request the president to appoint a committee that will undertake to carry on this work until the Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America in 1950.'

"In the course of the discussion of this topic, both in the Finance Committee and in the Board itself, it became clear that the above action implied the desirability of an amendment to the By-laws of The United Lutheran Church in America (Section VI, Appointive Committees. (*b*) Standing Committees).

"The Committee on Boards and Committees has therefore addressed itself to the formulation of such an amendment.

"In view of the fundamental changes which are impending or are actually under way in the field of religious radio, the Committee on Boards and Committees will defer making a definite recommendation until a later meeting of the Executive Board."

This item was received as information.

***7. "Committee on Radio and Television" Listing in U.L.C.A. By-laws Proposed.** (For action, see p. 873)

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"At the October, 1949 meeting of the Executive Board, the following recommendation was adopted:

> "'That the Executive Board, in behalf of The United Lutheran Church in America, accept future responsibility for the work relinquished by the Lutheran Laymen's Radio Committee and request the president to appoint a committee that will undertake to carry on this work until the Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America in 1950.'

"In the course of the discussion of this topic, both in the Finance Committee and in the Board itself, it became clear that the above action implied the desirability of establishing a Standing Committee.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board recommend to The United Lutheran Church in America that the By-Laws, Section VI, (*b*) Standing Committees, Item 1, be amended by adding 'h. Committee on Radio and Television.'"

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

**8. Report of Interim Radio Committee**

At the April, 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Interim Radio Committee presented the following report:

"At the first meeting of the Interim Radio Committee Mr. Henry Beisler was elected chairman.

"The Rev. John W. Rilling, pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church, Minneapolis, was nominated to the Protestant Radio Commission as the preacher on the 'Sunday Vespers' program for the summer of 1950 (June through September) over the facilities of the American Broadcasting Company and Associated Independent Stations. This procedure was followed because the Protestant Radio Commission has succeeded to the previous responsibilities of the Federal Council of Churches in radio broadcasting. (See VIII, E, 4, p. 507, of this report.)

"Acting in behalf of the United Lutheran Church, this committee has assumed financial sponsorship both in the 1950 series of 'Sunday Vespers' and of Wednesday broadcasts of the 'Gems for Thought' program for three months, April through June, with the Rev. Russell F. Auman, pastor of St. Peter's Lutheran Church, New York, as speaker. 'Gems for Thought' is a five-minute program of the American Broadcasting Company and Associated Independent Stations. It is presented twice a day, in the early morning and late at night.

"The committee further discussed co-ordination of its work with the radio activities of the National Lutheran Council, the developing plans of the Southern Lutheran Radio Committee, and the desirability of offering scholarships to radio workshops in future years. Chairman Beisler and Mr. S. F. Telleen were appointed to conclude all financial arrangements relating to the 1950 'Sunday Vespers' with the staff of the Protestant Radio Commission."

This item was received as information.

## xii. COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

### 1. Railroad Clergy Fare Certificates for Ten Lay Leaders

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary reported as follows:

(*a*) *The 1949 list*

"In accordance with the action of the Executive Board (April 1948) the chairman of the Committee on Transportation reviewed with the president of the Church the list of lay executives eligible to use clergy fare certificates in 1949. The following were reported to the several clergy bureaus as qualifying under their rules for certificates this year:

"Miss Nona M. Diehl, Executive Secretary
Women's Missionary Society

"Miss Frances Dysinger, Secretary for Promotion
Women's Missionary Society

"Miss Helen Shirk, Secretary
The Board of Foreign Missions

"Clarence C. Stoughton, LL.D., Secretary
Stewardship Department

"Mr. Zeb Trexler, Associate Secretary
Stewardship Department

"Mr. Elwood L. Bowman, Director, Church Extension
The Board of American Missions

"Miss Eleanor Stelzner, Associate Secretary
The Parish and Church School Board

"Miss Mildred Winston, Secretary
The Board of Education

"Thomas L. Cline, Ph.D., Executive Secretary
The Board of Pensions and Relief

"Miss Louise Marks, Associate Secretary
Luther League of America

"There was but one change in the list as compared with that of 1948. Miss Louise Marks, secretary for Intermediates of the Luther League of America, whose duties require her to travel extensively, was substituted, at the suggestion of the Women's Missionary Society, for Miss Mary E. Anstadt, editor of *Lutheran Women's Work,* whose travel schedule is relatively light."

The Executive Board received this item as information.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary reported on the use made by lay holders of clergy fare certificates in 1949 as follows:

"Seven of the ten lay executives who were granted clergy certificates in 1949 used 319 Eastern, 27 Southern, 33 Western and 6 Canadian certificates, a total of 385.

"In accordance with the clergy bureaus, the fare certificate books of lay leaders who resigned in the course of the year were recovered by the secretary and returned to the respective bureau offices." (See (1) and (2) and (b) below.)

The Executive Board received this item as information.

Changes in the 1949 list were reported to the Executive Board by the secretary as follows:

(1) At the April 1949 meeting

"Mr. J. A. Brass, chairman, Canadian Passenger Association, in a letter of February 21, 1949, notified the secretary that the Association had received a request to issue a Canadian clergy fare certificate to Mr. Alexander Graf who represents the U.L.C.A. Stewardship Office in Western Canada.

"In a conference with Miss Helen Shirk of our Board of Foreign Missions it was learned that she would not have use for her *Canadian* Fare Certificate in 1949. Mr. Graf was therefore certified to the Canadian Passenger Association as being eligible to receive a Canadian certificate in Miss Shirk's stead for 1949."

This item was received as information.

(2) At the August 1949 meeting

"At the written request of Executive Secretary Joseph W. Frease of the Luther League of America, and after conference with President Fry, Miss Ielene Ufkes, who is serving the Luther League in camps, assemblies, conventions, etc. during this summer, was granted permission to apply for clergy fare certificates issued by the Southern and Western bureaus. For the months of July, August and September, 1949, Miss Ufkes takes the place of Miss Louise Marks, former associate secretary of the Luther League, on the roster of ten U.L.C.A. lay leaders who are officially approved as eligible to use clergy fare certificates."

This item was received as information.

(b) *Extension of time-restricted clergy fare privileges to certain laymen working on specific U.L.C.A. assignments*

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary presented the following report:

"On June 29, 1949, the following letter was received from Mr. V. Armold, the new chairman of the Eastern Clergy Bureau.

> "'Through the medium of conference and correspondence our Eastern Clergy Bureau has recently reached an understanding with Mr. George J. MacDonald, transportation manager, Northern Baptist Convention, with respect to special quota of certificates for unordained missionaries with titles or official positions, and with which I believe you are familiar.
>
> "'The Eastern Clergy Bureau does not find it expedient to modify our prohibition against the issuance of certificates in the exceptional cases listed in Rule P of our application; but is willing to consider applications which plainly designate the applicant as a commissioned missionary only (describing exactly the duties performed for a given temporary period) and pre-

scribing a limited time for use of the clergy certificate in connection with the missionary work.

> " ' "*RULE P*—Missionaries, Foreign or Home, Not Ordained, regularly employed by a recognized missionary or religious organization, Under Salary, whose duties require them to Frequently travel. (See exceptions below). Applications to be accompanied by credentials from an officer of the employing organization or denomination stating, '(name of applicant) is a missionary under appointment, has no title or official position, such as secretary, etc., and is not employed as enumerated in classes (*a*) to (*h*) of Rule P of application Blank.' Exceptions: Certificates will not be issued to Unordained persons as follows: (*a*) singers or instrumental accompanists or musical directors, (*b*) city missionaries, local church workers, matrons, community, welfare or settlement workers, church visitors or pastor's assistants, (*c*) workers employed by organizations named in Rule M, (*d*) editors or other employees of church papers, (*e*) those who solicit funds or students for schools, or financial or other agents or officials or those who solicit or handle funds for charitable, religious or other institutions, (*f*) home missonaries teaching any kind of a school, (*g*) colporteurs, (*h*) officers or office employees of missionary organizations. Certificates will not be issued to 'field' and 'corresponding secretaries,' 'organizers, 'treasurers' and others having titles or official positions, nor to retired missionaries."

" 'So as to definitely avoid conflict the Eastern Clergy Bureau prohibition applies for those having titles or official position, and the appropriate time limitation for such missionary duties should be designated by you; no reference to be made to such limitation on the clergy certificate itself, but the Clergy Bureau will expect you to insure the return of such certificates at the end of their designated time limitation.

" 'The Eastern Clergy Bureau is led to extending this exceptional and time-restricted arrangement in the understanding that certain of your personnel, ordinarily holding official titles of one kind or another, are nevertheless specially designated to some particular work in the missionary field for a definitely restricted time of year.'

"This letter means that if an official lay representative of a board, auxiliary or agency of the U.L.C.A. is given a specific field work assignment for a limited number of weeks or months, the U.L.C.A. may apply to the Eastern Clergy Bureau for a time-restricted clergy fare certificate for use by that lay official. At the expiration of the time indicated on the application, clergy fare certificates issued in accordance with this directive must be returned to the Eastern Clergy Bureau. Issuance of such time-restricted certificates does not affect the arrangement which we have with the several Clergy Bureaus concerning the ten officially endorsed lay leaders who have no time restriction on their clergy fare privileges. This interpretation of Mr. Armold's letter has been cleared by the secretary in a telephone conversation with Mr. Matthew Bracken, Chief Clerk of the Eastern Clergy Bureau."

This item was received as information.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary reported as follows:

(c) *The 1950 list*

"In accordance with the action of the Executive Board (Minutes, April, 1948) the chairman of the U.L.C.A. Committee on Transportation reviewed with the president of the Church the list of lay executives eligible to use clergy fare certificates in 1950. The following were reported to the several clergy bureaus as qualifying, under their rules for granting such certificates, this year.

"Elwood L. Bowman, LL.D., Director, Church Extension
The Board of American Missions

"Thomas L. Cline, Ph.D., Executive Secretary
The Board of Pensions and Relief

"Nona M. Diehl, Litt.D., Executive Secretary
Women's Missionary Society

"Miss Frances Dysinger, Secretary for Promotion
Women's Missionary Society

"Mr. Henry Endress, Secretary
Stewardship Department

"Miss Helen Shirk, Secretary
The Board of Foreign Missions

"Miss Mary Helen Smith, Associate Secretary
Luther League of America

"Mr. Zeb Trexler, Associate Secretary
Stewardship Department

"Mr. John R. Weaver, Associate Secretary
Stewardship Department

"Miss Mildred Wintson, Secretary
The Board of Education

"These names were cleared by the chairman with the other members of the U.L.C.A. Committee on Transportation.

"The 1950 list when compared with the 1949 list reveals the following changes: Mr. Henry Endress takes the place of Dr. C. C. Stoughton, resigned; Mr. John R. Weaver takes the place of Miss Eleanor Stelzner, resigned; and Miss Mary Helen Smith takes the place of Miss Louise Marks, resigned."

This item was received as information.

### 2. Rules Governing Travel by Members of U.L.C.A. Committees and Commissions

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report and motion:

"After conference on the marked increase in the use of air travel by members of U.L.C.A. committees and commissions in attending meetings, and the consequent rapid increase in expense accounts, the officers, through the secretary, sent the following letter to the chairman and secretary of all these agencies on July 7, 1949:

> " 'The officers of the Church and the comptroller have the responsibility of examining carefully all travel expense accounts which are submitted by the officers and members of U.L.C.A. committees and commissions following their meetings.
>
> " 'Recently we have noted a serious increase in travel costs due largely to the fact that airplane service is being used with ever greater frequency. In some instances the increase is great enough to threaten overspending a given committee's or commission's travel budget seriously.
>
> " 'We know that you share our concern for keeping our budgets in balance and in conserving the Church's financial resources. It is in reliance upon that knowledge that we send you the following directives.
>
> " 'Train travel continues to be the regular and approved method of transportation to committee and commission meetings. Airplane travel should

> be charged on expense accounts only when the use of such transportation has been cleared with the officers of the Church *in advance;* or when, *in emergencies,* air travel is certified to the officers of the Church by the chairman of the committee or commission as having been necessary. Correspondence seeking clearance for air travel, or justifying its use, should be directed to the secretary of the Church.'

The report was received as information.

The Executive Board then took this further action:

"Moved and carried that the officers formulate a ruling governing the granting of expenses for air travel and submit it to the next meeting of the Executive Board."

### RULES GOVERNING TRAVEL BY MEMBERS OF U.L.C.A. COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report and recommendation:

"At the August 11, 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the officers reported the letter which had been sent to all U.L.C.A. committees and commissions urging the use of train rather than air transportation in all but emergency trips, and trips for which the use of air transportation had been cleared with the officers in advance.

"After reviewing this directive the Executive Board voted '. . . that the officers formulate a ruling governing the granting of expenses for air travel and submit it to the next meeting of the Executive Board.'

"The officers RECOMMEND that the transportation expenses of members and representatives of the Executive Board and of all U.L.C.A. committes and commissions be allowed in accordance with the following regulations:

"1. *Travel by train:*
  (a) Laymen: regular round-trip railroad fare.
  (b) Clergymen: regular round-trip railroad fare at clergy rates.
  (c) Pullman fare: standard rates for both laymen and clergymen where overnight travel is necessary. Pullman fare allowed will not exceed the cost of lower berth.

"2. *Travel by bus:*
  (a) Laymen: regular round-trip bus fare.
  (b) Clergymen: regular round-trip bus fare.

"3. *Travel by plane:*
  (a) Laymen: an allowance will be made for travel by plane equivalent to '1. (a),' plus '1. (c)' if travel by train would have required a Pullman berth.
  (b) Clergymen: an allowance will be made for travel by plane equivalent to '1. (b),' plus '1. (c)' if travel by train would have required a Pullman berth.
  (c) Allowance for full plane fare will be made to laymen or clergymen only when the use of air travel has been made necessary by a serious emergency, or when use of air travel has been cleared in advance with the officers of the Church. Correspondence seeking such clearance should be directed to the secretary of the Church.

"4. *Travel by automobile:**

(a) Laymen: an allowance equal to the amount indicated in '1. (a)' will be made, or 5 cents per mile, whichever is the lesser amount.

(b) Clergymen: an allowance equal to the amount indicated in '1. (b)' will be made, or 5 cents per mile, whichever is the lesser amount.

(c) Where two or more persons, whose expenses are to be met by the U.L.C.A., travel in the same automobile, the allowance of 5 cents per mile will be granted to only one passenger.

" *NOTE: travel by automobile in the service of the U.L.C.A. is not encouraged by the Executive Board. Those using this mode of travel should make certain that they secure a certificate of insurance adequately covering The United Lutheran Church in America."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### AMENDED RULES GOVERNING TRAVEL BY MEMBERS OF U.L.C.A. COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report and recommendation:

"Since the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board, certain adjustments in air, rail and bus passenger rates make it desirable to amend the rules governing air, rail, bus and automobile travel by members of U.L.C.A. committees and commissions previously adopted by this board (Minutes, October 1949, pp. 403, 404).

"The officers RECOMMEND that in place of '3. Travel by plane: (a), (b) and (c)' in these rules, the following be substituted and that a copy of the amended rules be sent to the chairmen of all U.L.C.A. committees and commissions:

"3. Travel by plane:

"(a) Laymen: On trips when travel by plane costs *less* than travel by rail (plus Pullman, at rate for lower berth, if the journey by rail would have required such an accommodation), allowance of the full plane fare will be made.

On trips when travel by plane costs *more* than travel by rail (plus Pullman, at rate for lower berth, if the journey by rail would have required such an accommodation) allowance will be made of the cost of railroad fare (plus Pullman, at rate for lower berth, if the rail journey would have required such an accommodation).

"(b) Clergymen: On trips when travel by plane costs *less* than travel by rail at clergy rates (plus Pullman, at rate for lower berth, if the journey by rail would have required such an accommodation) allowance of the full plane fare will be made.

On trips when travel by plane costs *more* than travel by rail at clergy rates (plus Pullman, at rate of lower berth, if the journey by rail would have required such an accommodation) allowance will be made of the cost of railroad fare at clergy rates (plus Pullman, at the rate for lower berth, if the journey by rail would have required such an accommodation).

"(c) Allowance of the *full* plane fare, when such fare is *higher* than the regular rail fare, for laymen, or the clergy rail fare, for clergyman, (plus Pullman for laymen or clergymen, at rate for lower berth, if the journey by rail would have required such an accommodation) will be made to laymen or clergymen only when the use of air travel has been made necessary by a serious emergency, or when use of air travel has been cleared in advance with the officers of the Church. Correspondence seeking such clearance should be directed to the secretary of the Church."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 3. Renewed Efforts to Secure Clergy Rates on Airlines

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Interchurch Transportation Committee, Room 1327, 19 S. LaSalle St., Chicago, Illinois, an agency with which the U.L.C.A. Transportation Committee co-operates informally, is renewing vigorously its efforts to secure clergy rates on the airlines from the Air Traffic Conference of Washington, D. C., through the good offices of Mr. M. F. Redfern, Vice President and Traffic Executive Secretary of that body. Thus far the Air Traffic Conference has declined to grant such rates on three grounds: cost of administration; volume of paper work; fear that such concessions would be considered discriminatory. The Interchurch Transportation Committee is now attempting to eliminate at least the first two objections. Its plans include:

"I. Taking over of all paper work involved in certification of eligible applicants by the I.T.C. and by the transportation committees of the participating churches.

"II. Charging $10.00 for the clergy fare certificate. This amount to be divided as follows: $5.00 to Air Traffic Conference; $3.00 to I.T.C.: $2.00 to the denominational transportation committee.

"III. Applications similar to those now used by the railroad clergy bureaus, issued by the I.T.C., certified by the denominational transportation committee and by A.T.C. would determine eligibility.

"IV. In place of a book of certificates, I.T.C. and A.T.C. would issue a card, similar to a railroad annual pass. Application for such a card would have to be made annually.

"Because the Interchurch Transportation Committee is a voluntary agency, and because the present negotiations will involve travel and other expenses, it is likely that I.T.C. will be asking the co-operating churches to provide a modest operational fund from which these expenses can be met.

"The secretary RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board approve the further participation of the U.L.C.A. Transportation Committee in these negotiations, and instruct the officers to authorize such financial support of these studies as may seem to them equitable and within the possibilities of the contingencies item of the 1950 Executive Board budget."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary presented the following report:

"The complete plan for the co-operation of the denominational transportation agencies, and The Interchurch Transportation Committee, with the Air Traffic Conference of America, in certifying the eligibility of clergymen was submitted by the I.T.C., to that Conference's Executive Committee through Mr. M. F. Redfern, its Vice President and Traffic Executive Secretary, on March 9, 1950. On March 15, 1950 Mr. Redfern telegraphed to Mr. H. B. Holloway, Secretary-Treasurer of I.T.C., 'Executive Committee referred proposal to Conference meeting on April 27.'

"At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board (Minutes, p. 533) the officers were authorized to give 'such financial support to these studies as may seem to them equitable and within the possibilities of the contingencies item of the 1950 Executive Board budget.' To date no request has come from I.T.C. for such support."

This item was received as information.

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary presented the following report:

"On April 27, 1950 the Air Traffic Conference of America met in Miami, Florida. This meeting considered the appeal of The Interchurch Transportation Committee for granting clergy rates on the airlines. In advance of making the proposal the Committee had set up on paper a complete plan for the administration of the application for and granting of clergy certificates. This plan reduced the paper work of the airlines to a minimum, thus eliminating one of the chief earlier objections by the airlines to the proposition. There is evidence in the correspondence of the Air Traffic Conference of America with the I.T.C. that this matter was given careful consideration by the Miami meeting. The negative decision of the Conference was sent to I.T.C. in a letter from the Conference Vice President, Mr. M. F. Redfern, which reads in part as follows:

> " 'The proposal for the establishment of an Air Traffic Conference Clergy Bureau, was presented to our members at that meeting (in Miami). It was the consensus of the members that this question would have to be dealt with by the airlines as individual companies. I therefore suggest that any further approach that you may decide upon be directed to the airlines individually.
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> " 'For your information, I can tell you that presently several of the representatives of the airlines have a very definite feeling that the present air transport passenger rate situation offers a very wide range of service and rate selectivity on a basis where such rates are open to the general public, with a very substantial appeal to all income brackets. Such a situation seems to the airline people to meet the greatest variety of needs and therefore accounts for a reticence to consider further offerings to any group or class.'

"The special committee of I.T.C. which made the preparations for the appeal to the Air Traffic Conference of America has agreed now to approach several of the major air carriers, starting with American Air Lines. The I.T.C. committee believes 'that if one of the larger airlines will actually introduce a clergy rate that becomes effective, others will eventually follow.'

"Word has recently been received that clergy rates are already available on certain airlines in Canada.

"The Executive Board authorized the officers (Minutes, January 1950, p. 533) to provide such financial support of the I.T.C. appeal to the Air Traffic Conference of America as seemed equitable. The source of such support was to be the contingencies item of the Executive Board Budget. Because the request was so small, it was charged to the budget of the U.L.C.A. Committee on Transportation."

This item was received as information.

## xiii. COMMITTEE ON PUBLICITY

### 1. News Service of U.L.C.A.—Relationships, Administration and Budget

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary presented the following report:

"At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board (Minutes, p. 141) it was reported that the U.L.C.A. Committee on Publicity 'is in the process of gathering evidence to substantiate its judgment that a full-time News Service, supported by and responsible to the Executive Board, should be established.'

"Numerous informal conferences have been held during the last three months which have clarified relationships and eliminated misunderstandings.

"Of special help was a July 29, 1949, conference in Philadelphia. It included the executive secretary of the Board of Publication, Mr. H. Torrey Walker, the director of the News Service of the U.L.C.A., the Rev. Carl E. Koppenhaver, and the secretary.

"To make clear the relationships which the Board of Publication has to the News Service, Mr. Walker asked that the following statement be added to the record:

> " 'Insofar as the relationship of the Board of Publication with the News Service is concerned, I have always viewed the News Service as a program and a need in the Church which the Board of Publication was assisting through finances and services without any thought or desire to participate in the control.
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> " 'The Constitution of the Church places the responsibility for publicity in the hands of the secretary of the Church, and the Board of Publication, other than being of assistance as it would to any board or agency of the Church, has no say as to policies as I see it.'

"The conferees also agreed that they would report the following information to the Executive Board, the Board of Publication and the U.L.C.A. Committee on Publicity:

> " '(a) A report showing money, time, materials, and facilities involved in operation of the News Service is to be prepared. This report will make possible a more definite division of financial responsibility. (The report is given below)
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> " 'NOTE: Present financial arrangement as set forth on page 290, U.L.C.A. Minutes, 1948, last paragraph, reads: . . . . . a plan was developed by which the Rev. Carl Koppenhaver would give part time to the preparation of news releases and setting up the framework for such duplication (mimeographing) and secretarial assistance as will be needed. The Promotional Fund (of the Board of Publication) would be used to carry an equitable portion of the salaries involved and to assist when and if the $2,500.00 appropriation of the Executive Board is exhausted . . . . .

" 'FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND ESTIMATED BUDGET
NEWS SERVICE OF THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH
*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949*

| *Expanded For* | *Total* | *To be borne by ULPH* | *To be paid out of Ex. Bd. Budget* | *Explanation* |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| " 'Salary—Rev. Koppenhaver | $1,266.64 | $1,266.64 | — | *1/3 of time N.S. |
| Salary—Secretary | 826.75 | — | 826.75 | *½ of time N.S. |
| Dues and Subscriptions | 29.00 | — | 29.00 | |
| Travel | 286.25 | — | 286.25 | |
| Stationery and Supplies | 316.84 | — | 316.84 | |
| Camera | 310.50 | — | 310.50 | Non-recurring item |
| Postage | 36.51 | — | 36.51 | |
| Telephone and Telegraph | 17.81 | — | 17.81 | Long Distance & [Telegrams |
| Rent of Offices | 60.00 | 60.00 | — | |
| Total | $3,150.30 | $1,326.64 | $1,823.16 | |
| Amount Reimbursed | | | 1,276.95 | |
| Balance | | | $ 546.21 | |

*Estimated by Rev. Carl E. Koppenhaver

"'*Estimate for 1949-1950*

"'Based on addition of one man plus increased activity

| | |
|---|---|
| Salary—Rev. Koppenhaver 1/3 | $1,333.33 |
| Salary—Secretary 2/3 | 1,282.00 |
| Salary—Reporter Full | 3,600.00 |
| Travel | 500.00 |
| Dues and Subscriptions | 50.00 |
| Stationery and Supplies | 500.00 |
| Postage | 100.00 |
| Telephone and Telegraph | 50.00 |
| Rental of Office | 60.00 |
| | $7,475.33 |

"'Extending the present arrangement the following would be proposed to the Board of Publication at its next meeting: "That the Board of Publication continue its support of the News Service by continuing to pay such portion of the salary of the Rev. Mr. Koppenhaver as is allocated by mutual agreement to the News Service plus office space for the operations of the News Service. That provided the Executive Board shall have included in its budget provision for 1950 $3,750, the Board of Publication will underwrite an additional $3,750 with the understanding that out of its share the Board of Publication will first deduct the proportion of Pastor Koppenhaver's salary and the charge for rental and that the Board of Publication will not be called upon for further expenditures until the amount budgeted by the Executive Board shall have been expended."

"'(b) Since the progress during the past year clearly indicates what can be done in the field of publicity, personnel of the News Service should be increased, an experienced news writer, man or woman, preferably a lay person, should be engaged.

"'(c) In view of the additional assistance contemplated, Pastor Koppenhaver is to continue with his threefold duties—editor of the Weekly Church Bulletin Service and of the U.L.C.A. *Pastor's Desk Book*, and director of the U.L.C.A. News Service.

"'(d) The three persons at this meeting should convey these findings and suggestions to their respective boards.'

"This entire item, No. 5 of the secretary's report, is now reported as information. It is hoped by him that an appropriate recommendation can be brought to the October, 1949, meeting of the Executive Board from the U.L.C.A. Committee on Publicity."

This report was received as information.

The "appropriate recommendation," referred to above, from the U.L.C.A. Committee on Publicity, was reported to the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board (Minutes, p. 530). Inasmuch as the Executive Board had already voted the $3,750 (1950) budget item for the U.L.C.A. News Service at its October 1949 meeting, the "appropriate recommendation" was introduced into the January 1950, minutes of the Executive Board merely to complete the record.

### 2. News Service of U.L.C.A.—Addition of Full-time News Representative to Staff

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary presented the following report:

"Negotiations are continuing with the Board of Publication looking forward to the addition of a full-time reporter to the staff of the News Service.

"The Executive Committee of the Board of Publication considered the proposal of its executive secretary, Mr. H. Torrey Walker, that the Board of Publication contribute $3,750 to the estimated 1950 budget of $7,475.33 (Executive Board Minutes, August

1949, p. 295) of the News Service. Action on this item was deferred by the Board of Publication's Executive Committee, awaiting the Executive Board's response to the proposal that a corresponding amount, $3,750, be written into the 'Commissions, Committees and Appropriations' section of the Executive Board's budget for the News Service of the U.L.C.A."

This item was received as information.

### 3. News Service of U.L.C.A.—1950 Executive Board Budget Item for

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"The report of secretary to this meeting, Item 2, refers to an amount of $3,750, which is proposed as an item to be included in the Executive Board budget for the U.L.C.A. News Service.

"The Finance Committee Recommends that the Executive Board instruct it to include an item of $3,750 in its budget under the section entitled 'U.L.C.A. Committees and Appropriations' in support of the operations of the News Service in the U.L.C.A. for the calendar year 1950."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 4. News Service of U.L.C.A.—Special Board of Publication Account

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary presented the following report and recommendation:

> " 'In order to facilitate bookkeeping and reporting, and in recognition of the fact that the Board of Publication is continuously making sizable rental, service and salary contributions to the U.L.C.A. News Service, the Committee on Publicity recommends that the Executive Board deposit its U.L.C.A. News Service appropriation of $3,750 with the Board of Publication in January 1950, the same to be expended from a special News Service fund to be set up by the Board of Publication, and on which fund a quarterly statement will be rendered by the Board of Publication to the U.L.C.A. comptroller.'

"The above recommendation has the full endorsement of Executive Secretary H. Torrey Walker, and has been unanimously approved by the U.L.C.A. Committee on Publicity by a mail vote.

"The secretary Recommends the adoption of the recommendation."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 5. Employment of Miss Peggy Evans as U.L.C.A. News Service Representative

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary presented the following report:

"After full consultation with H. Torrey Walker, Executive Secretary of the Board of Publication, and with the unanimous approval of the U.L.C.A. Committee on Publicity (mail vote) the U.L.C.A. News Service employed Miss Peggy Evans of Pittsburgh, Pa., as full-time reporter at the annual salary of $3,300. Miss Evans entered the employ of the News Service on January 16, 1949. She will be responsible to the Director of the News Service, the Rev. Carl E. Koppenhaver, whose office, at the United Lutheran Publication House in Philadelphia, she will share."

This item was received as information.

### 6. News Service of U.L.C.A.—Statement of Policy

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary presented the following report:

> "'The U.L.C.A. Committee on Publicity received as information the following statement of policy outlined by the News Service Director, the Rev. Carl E. Koppenhaver:
>
> "'On April 14, 1950, the News Service of the United Lutheran Church in America will be two years old. Members of our congregations are saying that during this period the U.L.C.A. has burst from the "and other churches" category in which newsmen had previously placed it. Some credit for this achievement has been given to the News Service. We are grateful that God has looked favorably upon our efforts.
>
> "'These two years have enabled the News Service to analyze its place in the work of the Church. We see in the efforts of this office four distinct benefits:
>
> "'1. Publicizing the work of the U.L.C.A. serves as an oblique approach to the evangelical mission committed to the Church.
>
> "'2. Publicizing the work of the U.L.C.A. serves to inform members who are out of contact with the Church's own sources of communication.
>
> "'3. Publicizing the work of the U.L.C.A. serves as a morale builder. (Members of the church are gratified to see and hear about their Church in action.)
>
> "'4. Publicizing the work of the U.L.C.A. serves to broaden our Church's sphere of influence.
>
> "'To avoid conflict or duplication of efforts between the News Service and other organizations involved in publicity, this office has adopted this general policy:
>
> "'The News Service of the United Lutheran Church in America seeks to assist the Church in publicizing its ministry mainly through the use of *outside* media available for dispensing information, i.e. the press, magazines, information books, radio, television, cinema, and special news feature projects.
>
> "'To carry out its task in line with this policy the News Service seeks to:
>
> "'1. Gather information about publicity facilities available and the nature of material used.
>
> "'2. Establish and maintain working relations with personnel of the facilities mentioned above.
>
> "'3. Provide and suggest material.
>
> "'4. Educate personnel to rely on the News Service.
>
> "'5. Be aware of and prepare to utilize new developments.'"

This item was received as information.

### 7. News Service of the U.L.C.A.—Provision in Executive Board Budget for 1950 Convention Publicity

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary, on behalf of the U.L.C.A. Committee on Publicity presented the budget recommended by the March 3, 1950 meeting of that committee for the 1950 U.L.C.A. convention publicity. The budget total proposed by the Committee on Publicity was $3,500. The secretary then presented the following recommendation:

"The secretary RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board approve the budget for 1950 convention publicity as submitted . . . by the U.L.C.A. Committee on Publicity."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 8. News Service of the ULCA, Conference with Religion Writers of Leading Pittsburgh, Pa., Dailies

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Secretary presented the following report:

"On August 28 the News Service of the U.L.C.A. held its second conference with religion writers of an important city. Pittsburgh was the place of this meeting. In attendance were representatives of the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, Sun-Telegraph, Press, and an East Liberty weekly newspaper, also the newly elected president of the Pittsburgh Synod, the Rev. G. Lawrence Himmelman, members of the Publicity Committee of the Pittsburgh Synod, financial feature writer Milton Valentine Burgess and three representatives of the News Service. The special interest of the religion writers in the news releases of the News releases of the News Service was solicited and promised. Personal contacts which will be valuable both to the local synod and the general Church were established. The next conference is planned for Chicago, Illinois. It will be held when representatives of the News Service are in that city for other U.L.C.A. appointments."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 9. Request of Board of Publication for Conference with Committee on Publicity

(See VI, B, ix, 2, p. 261, of this report.)

## D. AUXILIARIES

### i. THE LUTHERAN BROTHERHOOD

### 1. Lutheran Brotherhood—Amendment to Constitution and By-laws

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"At the August 13-14, 1947 meeting of the Executive Board, action was taken 'that for the sake of full clarity the first four words underscored be deleted before the Brotherhood adopts the changed By-law (Section VI—Dues, Item 1) and that it be then reported in its amended form to the Executive Board for approval.'

"The executive secretary of the Brotherhood has certified that the four words referred to have been deleted. The item as amended reads as follows:

> " 'To meet the expense of the Executive, Administrative and Promotional work of The Brotherhood of The United Lutheran Church in America, every congregational Brotherhood or men's organization in the U.L.C.A. affiliated with the Brotherhood of the U.L.C.A., shall contribute annually dues into the treasury of the Brotherhood of The United Lutheran Church in America a minimum of one dollar ($1.00) per member.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees Recommends that the Executive Board approve the amendment."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"(a) At the 1948 Convention of the Brotherhood in Allentown the following article of the constitution

> " 'Article VI—Officers, Section 1
>
> " 'The officers of The Brotherhood of The United Lutheran Church in America shall be a President, three Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, a Treasurer and

> such other officers as may be necessary, whose duties shall be such as usually pertain to the respective offices. They shall be elected by ballot at the regular convention and serve for such periods as may be determined by the By-laws. Vacancies shall be filled ad interim by the Executive Committee.'

was amended to read:

> " 'The officers of The Brotherhood of The United Lutheran Church in America shall be a President, *First Vice-President, Second Vice-President, Third Vice-President,* a Secretary, a Treasurer and such other officers as may be necessary, whose duties shall be such as usually pertain to the respective offices. They shall be elected by ballot at the regular convention and serve for such periods as may be determined by the By-laws. Vacancies shall be filled ad interim by the Executive Committee.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees Recommends that the Executive Board approve the amendment."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"(b) At the same convention the following By-law

> " 'Section VII—Officers, Item 1
>
> " 'The officers of the Brotherhood of The United Lutheran Church in America shall be a President, three Vice-Presidents, a Secretary and a Treasurer who shall be elected by ballot by the regular Convention and serve for a term of two years or until their successors are elected. These officers shall not be eligible for more than two successive terms.'

was amended to read:

> " 'The officers of the Brotherhood of The United Lutheran Church in America shall be a President, *First Vice-President, Second Vice-President, Third Vice-President,* a Secretary and a Treasurer who shall be elected by ballot by the regular Convention and serve for a term of two years or until their successors are elected. These officers shall not be eligible for more than two successive terms.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees Recommends that the Executive Board approve the amendment."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

## ii. LUTHER LEAGUE OF AMERICA

### 1. Luther League of America Revised Constitution and By-laws

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report:

"The officers of the Luther League submitted to the Executive Board the proposed revision of the Constitution and By-laws of the Luther League of America in anticipation of formal action thereon at the convention to be held in Roanoke in August (1949).

"Copies of the proposed revision were put in the hands of the Committee on Boards and Committees for its consideration by both Dr. Fry and Dr. Reinartz, together with their helpful comments and annotations. After a careful review of the same, the chairman of the Committee on Boards and Committees asked Executive Secretary Frease of the Luther League to confer with him in Lancaster and a protracted study of the whole body of material was made, resulting in rather numerous changes of structure or wording. The revised document is the one which will now go before the convention in Roanoke.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees, in reporting the above to the Executive Board, as information, feels that the Luther League deserves a word of special commendation for its co-operativeness in voluntarily conforming to the procedure which we have commended in others and in placing these materials in our hands before their adoption, enabling us to help them mold the revision in advance rather than facing us with a fait accompli only more or less satisfactory from the viewpoint of the Executive Board and the Church."

This item was received as information.

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report:

"Action on the proposed new constitution of the Luther League of America was deferred by the Roanoke convention until the 1951 convention in order to provide time for further study of the proposed constitution.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees submits this for information."

This item was received as information.

### 2. Financial Provision for Program of League of Young Adult Lutherans

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"The following communication has been received from the Rev. Paul C. White, the Chairman of the Committee on L-O-Y-A-L of the Luther League of America.

> " 'Inasmuch as the Young Adult program has been provided out of funds distributed by The Allocation Commission since it was initiated in 1946; and
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> " 'Since funds from this or any other source will not be available for continuing this program beyond the calendar year of 1950, unless otherwise provided for;
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> " 'The Executive Board has asked the Young Adult Committee to study the situation and to bring recommendations concerning the probable financing of this program after 1950.
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> " 'After extensive discussion of the matter, the Young Adult Committee adopted the following suggestions as the expression of its judgment and recommends to the Executive Board:
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>> " '(1) That the present policy of the Church regarding the financial program of the League of Young Adult Lutherans be maintained; and that provision for this work be made in the budget of the United Lutheran Church beginning with 1951.
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>> " '(2) That if (1) is not feasible, we The Committee of Young Adults, request permission to approach local chapters of Young Adults for voluntary annual contributions to cover the operating expenses for this program, including promotion, printing and mailings. The Committee would like to point out that such an appeal would immediately and automatically strengthen the concept of organization which has previously been non-existent except at the local level.
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>> " '(3) That if (2) is adopted, the Committee recommends that these Young Adult (Chapters) local groups be given the opportunity to make free-will contributions to any of a list of approved missionary projects of the Church-at-large, thereby satisfying a desire to express their missionary spirit and interests.
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>> " '(4) That the Luther League of America continue to be the agency to supervise and promote this work; and that the program materials be channeled to the field through *The Luther League Review* as they have been from the time this program was initiated.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS for the adoption of the Executive Board item (1), amended to read:

> " 'That the present policy of the Church regarding the financial program of the League of Young Adult Lutherans be maintained; and that provision

> for this work be made in the Committees, Commissions and Appropriations section of the Executive Board budget, beginning with 1951; and further that the Executive Board request funds for this purpose from the Allocation Commission in January, 1951';

and item (4)."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

**3. Luther League of America, New Titles of Periodicals**

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"At the July 8, 1950 meeting of the Administrative Committee of the Luther League of America final action was taken on the plan to make revisions in the official publication of the Luther League of America and to make corresponding changes in the topic manuals. The name of the official publication will be changed from 'The Luther League Review' to 'Luther Life,' effective January 1, 1951. The magazine, to be issued monthly as in the past, will be reduced to pocket size and will contain material for topics for high school and post high school age groups, as well as short stories, feature articles and suggested organizational techniques. The name of the 'Intermediate Quarterly Helps,' a booklet of suggestions and comments on the topics for intermediate groups will be changed to 'High Ideals,' effective January 1, 1951.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees recognizes that the publication *Luther Life* is not a new magazine and that for all purposes it will be a continuation of 'The Luther League Review,' and so needs only to be reported to the Church by the Luther League.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees, in reporting the above item to the Executive Board, finds itself constrained to voice the judgment that the proposed title for the official publication of the Luther League of America is not a happy choice. It has nothing about it that would make clear the publication's relationship to the League or to the Church as such, and is ambiguous in whatever meaning it was designed to have. Nor are we especially impressed by the choice proposed in the case of the other publication.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees therefore RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board advise the Administrative Committee of the Luther League of America to rethink the matter of the changes in title, in the hope that either the present titles be retained or that other really better ones be conceived."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

**4. Stewardship Program for Children and Youth**

(See II, 7, p. 92, of this report.)

**5. Luther League Missionary Project**

(See III, 22, (c), p. 149, of this report.)

**6. Future Subsidy for Luther League, and 1951, 1952 Budget Study**

(See III, 22, (b), p. 147, of this report.)

**7. Residence for Executive Secretary of Luther League**

(See III, 22, (d), p. 150, of this report.)

### 8. All-Lutheran Youth Leaders Council

(See VII, E, 6, p. 403, of this report.)

### 9. Request of Luther League of America for Solicitation of Church Councils for "Faith in Youth" Offering

(See III, 22, (a), p. 146, of this report.)

### 10. Possible Joint Sponsorship of Lutheran Voluntary Work Camps

(See VII, E, 7, pp. 404, of this report.)

### 11. Request of Luther League of America for Solicitation of Church Councils for "Faith in Youth" Offering

(See III, 22, (a), p. 146, of this report.)

## iii. WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

### 1. Women's Missionary Society's Convention Communion Service

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"Miss Nona M. Diehl, executive secretary of the Women's Missionary Society of The United Lutheran Church in America, has requested permission to have the Sacrament of the Holy Communion administered at its triennial convention in Grand Rapids, Michigan, on Sunday morning, October 2, 1949.

"Your Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the request be granted."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 2. Women's Missionary Society—amendment to By-Laws

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"At the meeting of the Executive Board of the W.M.S. October 4-6, 1948, the Committee on Constitution proposed an additional revision to those that had been before the Executive Board of the U.L.C.A. on September 22, 1948, and had been tentatively approved. The present article reads as follows:

"'By-Laws, Article IX

Promotion Division: Scope, Duties, Members

> "'Section 1. The Division of Promotion shall cultivate the specific purposes of this society. The secretary of the division shall give a major portion of (her) time visiting synodical, conference and congregational societies with a view toward strengthening the interests of the Women's Missionary Society and encouraging the formation of new societies.'

"The proposed provision is that Article IX become Article X and that the article shall read as follows:

" '*The Division of Promotion shall be responsible for:*

> " 'a. *Promoting objects of this Society as set forth in Article II of this Constitution.*
>
> " 'b. *Promoting active membership in the Women's Missionary Society among the women of the Church. The Secretary, or Secretaries* of the division shall give a major portion of *their* time visiting synodical, conference and congregational societies, with a view toward strengthening the interests of the Women's Missionary Society and *encouraging the formation of new societies.* ADOPETED.' "

The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that this revision be given tentative approval.

The recommendation was adopted.

**3. Constitutional Amendment Suggested to Women's Missionary Society**

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report:

"In connection with the revision of Article V of the Constitution of the Women's Missionary Society whereby the title of the Article in question would be modified, Secretary Reinartz has called attention to a further amendment, in connection with Section 2 of the article, which would seem to be advisable in the light of the Church's recent action regarding Review by the Executive Board of Proposals to issue any new Periodicals (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 694-95). Believing the point well taken, the Committee on Boards and Committees has communicated the same to the executive secretary of the Women's Missionary Society. This statement is submitted by your committee as information."

This item was received as information.

**4. Inclusive Amendments to Constitution and By-Laws of Women's Missionary Society**

(*a*) *Amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws Previously Given Tentative Approval by Executive Board*

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board now approve the following amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Women's Missionary Society as adopted by that society at its convention at Grand Rapids, Michigan, September 29 to October 3, 1949, all of these amendments having previously been given tentative approval by this board on September 22, 1948 (1948 Minutes, p. 191)"

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

" 'Words or letters in parenthesis in (Formerly) paragraphs are replaced by words or letters which are *italicized* in the (As amended) paragraphs or deleted entirely.

" '*Article V (Constitution)—Title*

(Formerly) Powers of the Society: Publications; Budgets; (Assessments); Funds
(As amended) Powers of the Society: Publications; Budgets; Funds

" '*Article V, Section 2*

(Formerly) This Society shall have the power to adopt budgets; (to lay assessments;) to solicit, receive and disburse funds; to devise ways and means to carry out the work of this Society as defined by its Charter. Contributions received for special objects shall not be diverted by this Society to any other purpose.

(As amended) This Society shall have the power: to adopt budgets; to solicit, receive and disburse funds; to devise ways and means to carry out the work of this Society as defined by its Charter. Contributions received for special objects shall not be diverted by this Society to any other purpose.

"'*Article V, Section 4*

(Formerly) In (order to comply) with the Laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, this Society shall have control of its own funds, but the Executive Board shall be charged with the responsibility of disbursing (the) funds as authorized by this Society. (The Executive Board shall have no power to change the general policies authorized by this Society, nor shall it have power to alter the budget except to carry out the declared will of this Society.)

(As amended) In *conformity* with the Laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, this Society shall have control of its own funds, but the Executive Board shall be charged with the responsibility of disbursing *such* funds *in the interims between conventions* as authorized by this Society.

"'*Article VI—Title*

(Formerly) Meetings: Representation; Quorum; Voting
(As amended) *Conventions:* Representation; Quorum; Voting

"'*Article VI, Section 2*

Add a new Section 2 as follows:

*Special Conventions shall be called by the President at the request of the Executive Board or at the request of at least one-third of the Presidents of Synodical Societies.*

Present Section 2 becomes Section 3—Remains the same.

Each Synodical Society of The Women's Missionary Society of The United Lutheran Church in America shall be entitled to representation in the Convention in such ratio as may be determined by the By-Laws.

"'*Article VI, Section 3*

Present Section 3 becomes Section 4.

(Formerly) A majority of the voting members (as defined in Article I, Section 3 of the By-Laws,) present at any Convention of this Society shall constitute a quorum.

(As amended) A majority of the voting members present at any Convention of this Society shall constitute a quorum.

"'*Article VII, Title*

(Formerly) Officers; Executive Board; (Finance) Committee: Divisions

(As amended) Officers; Executive Board; *Administrative* Committee; Divisions

"'*Article VII, Section 2*

(Formerly) All officers (enumerated in Section 1 of this Article), except the Treasurer, shall be elected by this Society in Convention assembled for the term and in the manner determined by the By-Laws. The Treasurer shall be elected by the Executive Board for the term and in the manner determined by the By-Laws.

(As amended) All officers, except the Treasurer, shall be elected by this Society in Convention assembled for the term and in the manner determined by the By-Laws. The Treasurer shall be elected by the Executive Board for the term and in the manner determined by the By-Laws.

"'*Article VII, Section 3*

(Formerly) As provided in the Charter of this Society, its management shall be vested in an Executive Board of not fewer than three nor more than forty members. Their number (and) manner of election and term of office shall be fixed by the By-Laws.

(As amended) As provided in the Charter of this Society, its management shall be vested in an Executive Board of not fewer than three nor more than forty members. Their number, manner of election and term of office shall be fixed by the By-Laws.

"'*Article VII, Section 5*

(Formerly) The officers of this Society shall be members of the Executive Board and shall serve as the officers of the Executive Board.

(As amended) The officers of this Society, *who are not salaried employees thereof*, shall be *ex-officio* members of the Executive Board and shall serve as officers of the Executive Board.

"'*Article VII, Section 6*

Substitute for the present Section 6 the following:

(Formerly) (There shall be an Executive Committee composed of the officers of this Society and two members elected by the Board from its membership. This committee shall meet preceding the meeting of the Executive Board and may be called by the President in any emergency to transact necessary business. The actions of this committee shall be subject to review by the Board at a subsequent meeting.)

(As amended) *The Executive Board shall select from its membership an Administrative Committee composed of the Officers of this Society and two other members of the Board. The Executive Board may empower this Committee to transact necessary business in the interims between Board meetings. The Administrative Committee shall meet regularly preceding each meeting of the Executive Board.*

"'*Article VII, Section 7*

Strike out present Section 7.

(There shall be a Finance Committee of not fewer than three nor more than five members, whose duties shall be those usually pertaining to finance committees of corporate religious charities under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The President, Recording Secretary, and Treasurer shall be members of the Finance Committee.)

"'*Article VII, Section 8*

Present Section 8 becomes Section 7

For present Section 8 substitute the following:

(Formerly) (There shall be such Divisions of Work functioning through such Departments and such Standing Committees as may be determined by the By-Laws.)

(As amended) *The Society shall organize Divisions of Work, functioning through Departments, and shall appoint Standing Committees as may be specified in the By-Laws.*

"'*Article VIII—Staff: Compensation*

(Formerly) The Executive Board shall have the power to elect an Executive Secretary and (such) other staff members as may be required to organize and maintain the Divisions of Work authorized by this Society. The terms of employment and salaries of (such) shall be fixed by the Executive Board. (Said) salaries shall be paid from the general funds of the Society (as so authorized.)

(As amended) The Executive Board shall have the power to elect an executive secretary and other staff members as may be required to organize and maintain the Divisions of Work authorized by this Society. The terms of employment and salaries of *all staff members* shall be fixed by the Executive Board. *The* salaries shall be paid from the general funds of the Society.

"'*Article X, Amendments*

(Formerly) This Constitution may be amended at any regular (meeting) of this Society by a two-thirds vote of the voting members present at such Convention, provided notice of the proposed amendments has been given at a previous Convention of this Society or has been published in the official publication of this Society (and of The United Lutheran Church in America) at least two months before the time of the next Convention, and provided further, that no amendments passed by this Society shall become effective (unless) they have been approved by the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America.

(As amended) This Constitution may be amended at any regular *Convention* of this Society by a two-thirds vote of the voting members present at such Convention, provided notice of the proposed amendments has been given at a previous Convention of this Society or has been published in the official publication of this Society at least two months before the time of the next Convention, and provided further, that no amendments passed by this Society shall become effective *until* they have been approved by the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America.

## BY-LAWS

"'*Article I, (By-Laws)—Title*

(Formerly) Triennial Conventions: (Synodical Representation in; Membership in;) Time and Place of Meeting

(As amended) This Society shall *hold regular* Conventions triennially.

"'*Article I, Section 1*

(Formerly) This Society shall (meet in) Convention (T)riennially.

(As amended) This Society shall hold regular Conventions *triennially*.

"'*Article I, Section 2*

(Formerly) Between Triennial Conventions there shall be held a Conference of Synodical Presidents (and Department Secretaries, to) be called at such time and place as shall be determined by the Executive Board.

(As amended) Between Triennial Conventions there shall be held a Conference of Synodical Presidents *with the entire official personnel of the Society, composed of the Officers, the Executive Board, the Staff, the Department Secretaries and the Education Division. The Conference shall* be called at such time and place as shall be determined by the Executive Board.

"'*Article I, Section 3*

For the present Section 3 substitute the following:

(Formerly) (The following shall be members of the Triennial Convention and shall have voice and vote therein:

a. All officers and members of the Executive Board of this Society.
b. All staff members
c. Members of the Education Division
d. Department Secretaries
e. One delegate for each 400 active members, or major fraction thereof, of each Synodical Society (as defined by Article III of the Constitution), to be chosen in the manner determined by the Constitution and By-Laws of each Synodical Society. Each Synodical Society shall have at least two delegates.)

(As amended)* *The following shall be members of the Triennial Convention and shall have voice and vote therein:*

a. *Delegates elected by each Synodical Society, one for each 300 active members, or major fraction thereof, provided that each Synodical Society shall have at least two delegates.*
b. *Officers and members of the Executive Board*
c. *Members of the Education Division*
d. *Department Secretaries*

"'*Article I, Section 4*

Strike out present Section 4 and add the following new Section 4:

(Formerly) (Synodical Societies may become members of this Society by applying for membership therein and by agreeing to comply with the Charter, Constitution and By-Laws of this Society and the decisions of the Triennial Conventions. When they thus agree such Societies shall be entitled to representation in the Triennial Convention of this Society on the basis enumerated in Section 3e, of this Article.)

(As amended) *In connection with each Triennial Convention, this Society shall include in its program an inspirational Congress.*

"'*Article I, Section 5*

(Formerly) The Triennial Convention (shall) be held at such time and place as shall be determined by the preceding Triennial Convention. (Such) Convention may, however, refer this question to the Executive Board with full power (,) to determine the time (, the) place (and the manner of entertainment.)

(As amended) The Triennial Convention *may* be held at such time and place as shall be determined by the preceding Triennial Convention. *The* Convention may, however, refer this question to the Executive Board with full power to determine the time and place. *The Triennial Convention shall be self-entertaining.*

"'*Article I, Sections 2 and 5*

Renumber the Sections as follow:

*Present Section 2 becomes Section 5*

*Present Section 5 becomes Section 2*

"'*Article II, Reception into Membership*

Add the following new Article II

*Synodical Societies may become members of this Society upon a vote of the Convention. Prior to the Convention at which such Society shall be received into membership, it shall indicate in writing to the Executive Board its compliance with the Charter, Constitution and By-Laws of this Society and its pledge to abide by the decisions of the Triennial Convention.*

"'*Article II, Officers: Manner of election; Terms*

*Present Article II becomes Article III*

"'*Article II, Section 1*

(Formerly) The officers (elected by this Society in Convention assembled, provided for under Article VII, Section 1, of the Constitution, and the Treasurer, elected by the Executive Board provided for under Article VII, Section 2, of the Constitution,) shall be elected for a term of three years.

(As amended) The officers shall be elected for a term of three years.

"'*Article II, Section 2*

(Formerly) The President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary and Statistical Secretary (may) be eligible for one re-election, The Treasurer (may) be eligible (for three re-elections.)

(As amended) The President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary and Statistical Secretary *shall* be eligible for *only* one re-election. The Treasurer *shall* be eligible *for re-election without limitation, subject to compliance with the retirement policy of this Society.*

"'*Article II, Section 3*

(Formerly) The term of office (of each) of the officers elected (by this Society) shall begin at the adjournment of (the Triennial) Convention. The term of office of the Treasurer shall begin immediately after her election (, and she shall begin her duties immediately upon delivery to the Secretary of this Corporation of corporate security in an amount fixed by the Executive Board.)

(As amended) The term of office of the officers elected *at a Triennial Convention* shall begin at the adjournment of that Convention. The term of office of the Treasurer shall begin immediately after her election.

"'*Article II, Section 4*

(Formerly) (At the beginning of each Triennial Convention there shall be appointed three tellers for each office to be voted for.) The election for each office shall be in accordance with the following rules:

a. Each election shall be by ballot without nomination.

b. In the election of a President the following rules shall obtain: On the first ballot three-fourths of the votes cast shall be necessary for an election. On the second ballot two-thirds of the votes cast shall be necessary for an election. The third ballot shall be confined to the two persons who on the second ballot received the highest number of votes, and no vote cast for any other shall be counted. On the third ballot, a majority of the votes cast shall elect.

c. In the election of a Vice-President, Recording Secretary, and Statistical Secretary, a majority of all the votes cast shall be necessary to an election. If the second ballot fails to result in an election, the third ballot shall be confined to the two persons who on the second ballot received the highest number of votes.

d. The result of each ballot shall be announced to the Convention by the tellers.

e. The election of one officer shall be completed before there is any balloting for another officer.

f. The election of officers shall begin at the first business session of the Triennial Convention at such time as may be fixed by the Executive Board.

(As amended) The election for each office shall be in accordance with the following rules:

a. Each election shall be by ballot without nomination.

b. In the election of a President the following rules shall obtain: On the first ballot three-fourths of the votes cast shall be necessary for an election. On the second ballot two-thirds of the votes cast shall be necessary for an election. The third ballot shall be confined to the two persons who on the second ballot received the highest number of votes, and no vote cast for any other shall be counted. On the third ballot, a majority of the votes cast shall elect.

c. In the election of a Vice-President, Recording Secretary, and Statistical Secretary, a majority of all the votes cast shall be necessary to an election. If the second ballot fails to result in an election, the third ballot shall be confined to the two persons who on the second ballot received the highest number of votes.

d. The result of each ballot shall be announced to the Convention by the tellers.

e. The election of one officer shall be completed before there is any balloting for another officer.

f. The election of officers shall begin at the first business session of the Triennial Convention at such time as may be fixed by the Executive Board.

"'*Article II, Section 5*

Strike out Section 5.

(No voting member shall cast more than one vote for each office, resolution, or cause to be voted upon. There shall be no voting by proxy.)

"'*Article II, Section 6*

Present Section 6 becomes Section 5.

(Formerly) Any vacancy (occuring among the officers) between conventions shall be filled for the unexpired term by a majority vote of the Executive Board.

(As amended) Any vacancy *in an office* between conventions shall be filled for the unexpired term by a majority vote of the Executive Board.

"'*Article III, Duties of Officers and Executive Secretary*

*Present Article III becomes Article IV.*

"'*Article III, Section 1*

(Formerly) The President shall preside at all (sessions of the Triennial) Conventions (;) at all meetings of the Executive Board (,) and (of the Finance Committee); shall make all appointments (not otherwise provided for); (shall call any special convention at the request of the Executive Board or at the request of Synodical Presidents representing one-third of this Society, as defined by Article III of the Constitution); shall be ex-officio a member of every committee and shall (render or cause to be rendered,) a complete report of the condition and affairs of this Society to its Triennial Conventions and to the Biennial Conventions of (t)he United Lutheran Church in America.

(As amended) The President shall preside at all Conventions *and* at all meetings of the Executive Board and *its Administrative and Finance Committees;* shall make all appointments; *shall represent the Society, or send her appointee, to the Commissioning Service of every candidate whom the Society recommends to a Board of the Church for missionary service;* shall be ex-officio a member of every committee and shall *present* a complete report of the condition and affairs of this Society to its Triennial Conventions and to the Biennial Conventions of The United Lutheran Church in America.

"'*Article III, Section 3*

(Formerly) The Recording Secretary shall be the Secretary of this Corporation (,) of the Executive Board (,) and (of the) Finance Committee; shall (prepare or cause to be prepared and) record all minutes of meetings and other proceedings of (the Triennial) Convention, the Executive Board, and (the) Finance Committee; and prepare (or cause to be prepared) for publication such portions of the minutes and proceedings as this Society may request or require. She shall give notice of all conventions in the official publication(s) of this Society (and of The United Lutheran Church in America,) two months in advance of such conventions.

(As amended) The Recording Secretary shall be the Secretary of this Corporation *and* of the Executive Board and *its Administrative and* Finance Committees; shall record all minutes of meetings and other proceedings of Conventions, the Executive Board and its Administrative and Finance Committees, and prepare for publication such portions of the minutes and proceedings as this Society may request or require. She shall give notice of all conventions in the official publication of this Society two months in advance of such conventions.

"'*Article III, Section 4*

(Formerly) The Statistical Secretary shall collect (all) statistics (of such) Synodical Societies (as are members of this Society) and shall report the same annually to the Executive Board of this Society and to its Triennial Convention, and to The United Lutheran Church in America.

(As amended) The Statistical Secretary shall collect statistics *from all* Synodical Societies and shall report the same annually to the Executive Board of this Society and to its Triennial Convention, and to The United Lutheran Church in America.

"'*Article III, Section 5 (a)*

(Formerly) The Treasurer of this Corporation shall be the Treasurer of all funds for any and all purposes received by this Society and shall acknowledge the same. She shall keep a record of all trust and other funds received in the manner provided by law; and shall disburse all funds only in the manner directed by the Executive Board. All trust funds, or the income therefrom, shall be disbursed only in the manner and for the purpose designated by the deeds of gift or bequests by which they were given. (The Treasurer shall report to each meeting of the Executive Board, and of the Finance

Committee, and shall present a complete report of the financial condition and transactions of all trust and other funds of this Corporation, to each Triennial Convention.) She may receive such compensation as may be fixed by the Executive Board.

(As amended) The Treasurer of this Corporation shall be the Treasurer of all funds for any and all purposes received by this Society and shall acknowledge the same. She shall keep a record of all trusts and other funds received in the manner provided by law, and shall disburse all funds only in the manner directed by the Executive Board. All trust funds, or the income therefrom, shall be disbursed only in the manner and for the purpose designated by the deeds of gift or bequests by which they were given. *The Treasurer shall present a complete report to each Triennial Convention and shall present interim reports at each meeting of the Executive Board and to its Administrative and Finance Committees.* She may receive such compensation as may be fixed by the Executive Board.

*'Article III, Section 6*

Substitute for present Section 6 the following:

(Formerly) (The Executive Secretary shall be under the supervision of the Executive Board. It shall be the duty of the Executive Secretary to interpret the work of the Society to the Executive Board, and to the President and to interpret the policies, programs and wishes of the Executive Board, and the President, to the Staff, Department Secretaries, and constituent units of this Society and to the Boards of The United Lutheran Church in America.)

(As amended) *The Executive Secretary shall be the chief executive officer of the Society, and her work shall be supervised by the Executive Board. She shall carry out the policies of the Society and interpret its program to the staff, department secretaries and the constituent units of the Society and to the Boards of The United Lutheran Church in America.*

*"'Article IV, Executive Board: Number; Election;*

Duties; Meetings; Quorum

*Present Article IV becomes Article V*

*"'Article IV, Section 1*

(Formerly) The Executive Board shall consist of the officers of the Women's Missionary Society of The United Lutheran Church in America and of fifteen additional members elected by this Society in Convention assembled. (Article XIII, Section 4, Constitution of The United Lutheran Church in America: "No member of a Board shall be a salaried employee thereof.")

(As amended) The Executive Board shall consist of the officers of the Women's Missionary Society of The United Lutheran Church in America *who are not salaried employees of this Society* and of fifteen additional members elected by this Society in Convention assembled.

*"'Article IV, Section 2*

For present Section 2 substitute the following:

(Formerly) (On the second day of the Triennial Convention at such time as may be fixed by the Executive Board, fifteen members for the Executive Board of The Women's Missionary Society of The United Lutheran Church in America shall be elected. Five tellers shall be appointed to conduct this election.)

(As amended) *On the second day of the Triennial Convention fifteen members shall be elected by ballot to the Executive Board of this Society for a term of three years, the term of office beginning at the adjournment of the Triennial Convention.*

"'*Article IV, Section 3*

For present Section 3 substitute the following:

(Formerly) (Each Synodical Society shall present for the Executive Board of The Women's Missionary Society of The United Lutheran Church in America, one nomination from its own membership.)

(As amended) *Each Synodical Society shall present one nominee and one alternate nominee for membership upon the Executive Board, the names of these nominees to be forwarded to the Executive Secretary of the Society three months in advance of the Convention.*

"'*Article IV, Section 4*

Strike out present Section 4.

(Should the election of officers on the preceding day have resulted in the election of one or more persons from those nominated for the Board, the Synodical Society so affected shall offer the name of an alternate to take the place on the official ballot of those thus elected.)

"'*Article IV, Section 5*

Present Section 5 becomes Section 4. Substitute for present Section 5 the following:

(Formerly) (In the election of the first Executive Board following the adoption of this Constitution the ten persons receiving the highest number of votes above a majority shall serve for three years and may be eligible for one re-election. The next five persons receiving the next highest number of votes above a majority shall serve for three years only.)

(As amended) *In the election of the Executive Board, the following rules shall obtain: The fifteen persons receiving the highest number of votes above a majority shall constitute the Executive Board. If the second ballot fails to result in an election of all the Board members, the third ballot shall be confined to twice the number of persons still to be elected listed in the order of votes received by each on the second ballot.*

"'*Article IV, Section 6*

Present Section 6 becomes Section 5.

(Formerly) Members of the Board (may) be eligible for one re-election.

(As amended) Members of the *Executive* Board *shall* be eligible for *only* one re-election.

"'*Article IV, Section 7*

Present Section 7 becomes Section 6.

(Formerly) The Executive Board (by a majority vote) shall (have the right to) fill (for the unexpired term) all vacancies occurring between Conventions.

(As amended) The Executive Board shall fill all vacancies occurring between Conventions.

"'*Article IV, Section 8*

Present Section 8 becomes Section 7.

Substitute for present Section 8 the following:

(Formerly) (The Executive Board shall meet four times a year unless otherwise designated. Meetings shall begin on the first Wednesday after the fourth Thursday in January, April, July and October at the Headquarters of this Society or at such other time and place as may be designated by a majority of the Executive Board.)

(As amended) *The Executive Board shall meet at least twice each year, and those quarters of the year in which the Executive Board does not meet, the Administrative Committee shall meet in its stead. Meetings shall begin on the fourth Wednesday of April and October at the Headquarters of this Society or at such other time and place as may be designated by a majority of the Executive Board. The Administrative Committee shall have power to make appropriations within the budget in cases where decisions cannot be delayed until the next meeting of the Board.*

"'*Article IV, Section 9*

Present Section 9 becomes Section 8—Remains the same.

No persons, except the Treasurer, shall serve on the Executive Board of this Society in any capacity for more than twelve consecutive years.

"'*Article IV, Section 10*

Present Section 10 becomes Section 9—Remains the same.

A majority of the members of the Executive Board shall be necessary to constitute a quorum of the Executive Board.

"'*Article IV, Section 11*

Present Section 11 becomes Section 10.

Substitute for present Section 11 the following:

(Formerly) (The Executive Board shall send a true copy of its minutes to the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America, and shall publish in the official publications of this Society and of The United Lutheran Church in America such transactions of its meetings as may be of general interest to the Church. The Executive Board shall present a full written report of all its business and transactions to the Triennial Convention, which report shall be presented by the Executive Secretary.)

(As amended) *The Executive Board shall send copies of its Minutes to the members of the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America and to the Boards of the Church with which this Society actively co-operates. The Executive Board shall present a full written report of all its transactions to the Triennial Convention, which report shall be presented by the Executive Secretary.*

"'*Article IV, Section 12*

Present Section 12 becomes Section 11.

(Formerly) The Executive Board shall establish (interdenominational) relationships only by written permission of the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America.

(As amended) The Executive Board shall establish *interchurch* relationships only by written permission of the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America.

"'*Article IV, Section 13*

Present Section 13 becomes Section 12.

Substitute for present Section 13 the following:

(Formerly) (The Executive Board shall submit to each Triennial Convention a complete budget for all the work of this Society for the ensuing Triennium.)

(As amended) *The Executive Board shall submit to each Triennial Convention a minimum budget for each year of the ensuing Triennium for the work of this Society.*

"'*Article IV, Section 14*

Present Section 14 becomes Section 13.

Substitute for the present Section 14 the following:

(Formerly) (The Executive Board shall meet at the close of the Triennial Convention to elect the following:

a. The Treasurer, Executive Secretary, Division Secretaries and other staff members and to fix their compensation and terms of employment.
b. The Department Secretaries and the members of the Education Division.
c. A three-fourths vote of those present shall in each case be necessary to elect.)

(As amended)

*A. The Executive Board shall meet at the close of the Triennial Convention to elect the following:*

a. *The Treasurer, Executive Secretary, Division Secretaries and other Staff members*
b. *The Department Secretaries*
c. *The members of the Education Division*

*A three-fourths vote of those present shall be necessary to elect.*

*B. The Executive Board at the close of the Convention shall choose Associate Staff members by a majority vote.*

"'*Article IV, Section 15*

Present Section 15 becomes Section 14.

Substitute for present Section 15 the following:

(Formerly) (Staff members and the women secretaries for women students in co-operation with the Board of Education of The United Lutheran Church in America shall be present at all meetings of the Executive Board except during executive sessions.)

(As amended) *The Treasurer and all Staff members shall be present at all meetings of the Executive Board except during executive sessions. Associate Staff members may be present at meeting of the Executive Board except during executive sessions.*

"'*Article IV, Section 16*

Present Section 16 becomes Section 15—Remains the same.

The Executive Board shall designate a representative of the Board to attend each meeting of the Education Division.

"'*Article V, Advisory Members to the Boards of the Church*

*Present Article V becomes Article VI*

Amend present Article V as follows:

(Formerly) The Executive Board (shall), at its first meeting after each Convention, "appoint two women as Advisory Members of each of the Missionary and Benevolent Boards of the Church to the support of whose work this Society regularly or officially contributes." (See Article 13, Section 6, page 15, of the Constitution of The United Lutheran Church in America.) One such appointee to each Board shall be a member of the Executive Board of this Society, (whose duty it shall be to report the proceedings of the Board to which she was appointed to the subsequent meeting of the Executive Board of this Society.)

(As amended) The Executive Board *may*, at its first meeting after each *regular* Convention, "appoint two women as Advisory Members of each of the Missionary and benevolent Boards of the Church to the support of whose work this Society regularly or officially contributes." (See Article *XIII*, Section 6, page 15, of the Constitution of The United Lutheran Church in America.) One such appointee to each Board shall be a member of the Executive Board of this Society. *The Executive Board may call for a report from each such appointee concerning the meeting of the Board to which she has been appointed.*

"'*Article VI, Staff*

*Present Article VI becomes Article VII*

For present Article VI substitute the following:

(Formerly) (The Staff shall consist of the Executive Secretary, the Secretaries of the four major Divisions and the Editor of the official publication of this Society. The women secretaries of the Board of Education of The United Lutheran Church in America shall be associate members of the staff.)

(As amended) *The Staff shall consist of the Executive Secretary, the salaried Secretaries of the Divisions, and the Editor of the official publication of this Society. Women Secretaries of Boards with which this Socety actively co-operates may be invited to be associate members of the Staff. The Treasurer, when a salaried employee, shall have the status of a Staff member.*

"'*Article VII, Divisions and Departments of Work*

*Present Article VII becomes Article VIII*

"'*Article VII, Section 1*

Substitute for present Section 1 the following:

(Formerly) (There shall be four major Divisions of Work, namely; Education, Promotion, Special Gifts and Industrial.)

(As amended) *The Divisions of Work shall be Education, Promotion and Special Gifts.*

"'*Article VII, Section 2*

(Formerly) These Divisions shall be directed by Secretaries, who (shall be salaried staff members) elected by the Executive Board. The Treasurer by virtue of her office shall direct the Division of Special Gifts.

(As amended) These Divisions shall be directed by Secretaries who *are* elected by the Executive Board *and who may, or may not be salaried staff members.* The Treasurer by virtue of her office shall direct the Division of Special Gifts.

"'*Article VII, Section 3*

Substitute for present Section 3 the following:

(Formerly) (The Division Secretaries shall direct the work of the major Divisions through departments in charge of Department Secretaries elected by the Executive Board.)

(As amended) *Each of the several Departments included in the Divisions of Work may be especially promoted by a Secretary elected by the Executive Board. This Department Secretary may, or may not, be a member of the Executive Board.*

"'*Article VII, Section 4*

Add the following new Section 4:

*Department Secretaries shall be elected for a term of three years and shall be eligible for only one re-election. This shall not prevent election after a lapse of one term.*

"'*Article VIII, Education Division: Members; Scope; Duties*

*Present Article VIII becomes Article IX*

For present Article VIII substitute the following:

Section 1:

(Formerly) (The Education Division shall consist of nine women who shall be elected as provided in Article IV, Section 14, of these By-Laws. In the election of the first Education Division following the adoption of this article, the first six persons named shall serve for six years, and may be eligible for one re-election. The next three persons named shall serve for three years. This Division shall be directed by the Education Secretary under the supervision of the Executive Board. Members of the Division may be eligible for one re-election. This shall not prevent election after lapse of one term.)

"'*Article VIII, Section 2*

(Formerly) (The Education Division may have five advisory members chosen ex-officio who are approved by the Executive Board.)

"'*Article VIII, Section 3*

(Formerly) (The duties of the Education Division shall be:

a. To publish the official magazine.

b. To print all necessary publications required to promote the general program and special causes of this Society. Such printed matter as concerns policy must first be approved by the department involved and the Executive office.

c. To co-operate with the Boards of the Church in publications of common interests.

d. To appoint representatives to take charge of the educational material at summer conferences with which this Society is affiliated.)

"'*Article VIII, Section 4:*

(Formerly) (The Education Division shall promote the Mission Study Department through a secretary and the magazine through a circulation manager elected by the Executive Board.)

"'*Article VIII, Section 5*

(Formerly) (The Education Division shall recommend to the Executive Board women to fill vacancies in the Division.)

"'*Article VIII, Section I*

(As amended) *The Education Division shall consist of nine women who shall be elected, as provided in Article V, Section 13, of these By-Laws, and shall be eligible for two re-elections of three years each—a maximum of nine years of continuous service. This shall not prevent election after a lapse of one term. Three new members shall be elected each triennium.*

"'*Article VIII, Section 2*

(As amended) *The Education Division may promote the Mission Study Department through a secretary and shall promote the Magazine through a salaried circulation manager elected by the Executive Board.*

"'*Article VIII, Section 3*

(As amended) *The Mission Study Secretary and any other Department Secretaries included in the Education Division shall be ex-officio members of the Division.*

"'*Article VIII, Section 4*

(As amended) *Staff members, Associate Staff members and the Circulation Manager of the official magazine shall serve in an advisory capacity.*

"'*Article VIII, Section 5*

(As amended) *The duties of the Education Division shall be to plan a program of missionary education for the women of the Church and to that end:*

a. *To publish the official magazine;*
b. *To provide study programs;*
c. *To provide materials that will promote the general causes and Divisions of work of this Society; (such materials as concern policy must first be approved by the Division involved and the Executive Secretary)*
d. *To co-operate with the Boards of the Church in publications of common interest;*
e. *To co-operate with the Snyodical Societies in the promotion of the use of educational materials.*

"'*Article IX, Promotion Division: Scope; Duties; Members*

*Present Article IX becomes Article X*

"'*Article IX, Section 1*

(Formerly) The Division of Promotion shall (cultivate the specific purposes of this Society.) The Secretary of the Division shall give a major portion of (her) time visiting synodical, conference and congregational societies with a view toward strengthening the interests of the Women's Missionary Society and encouraging the formation of new societies.

(As amended) The Division of Promotion shall be responsible for:

a. Promoting objects of this Society as set forth in Article II of this Constitution.
b. *Promoting active membership in the Women's Missionary Society and among the women of the Church.* The Secretary, *or Secretaries,* of the

Division shall give a major portion of *their* time visiting synodical, conference and congregational societies with a view toward strengthening the interests of the Women's Missionary Society and encouraging the formation of new societies.

"'*Article IX, Section 2*

Strike out Section 2.

(The Secretary shall be responsible for increased publicity and enlarging areas of activity.)

"'*Article X, Division of Special Gifts: Scope; Duties; Members*

*Present Article X becomes Article XI*

"'*Article X, Section 2*

Substitute for present Section 2 the following Section 2:

(Formerly) (This Division shall function through Secretaries elected by the Executive Board, to promote the support of Missionaries, Annuities, and the Departments of Patron and Protege, Thank Offering, Life Membership and In Memoriam and Special Aids.)

(As amended) *This Division may include the Departments of Patron and Protege, Thank Offering, Life Membership and In Memoriam, and Special Aids.*

"'*Article XI, (Industrial Division: Scope; Duties)*

Strike out present Article XI.

(The Secretary of the Industrial Division shall promote the sale of industrial products from the various mission fields. These products must be approved by the Executive Board.)

"'*Article XII, Standing Committees*

''*Article XII, Section 1*

Add the following new Section 1:

*There shall be a Finance Committee of not fewer than three, nor more than five members, which shall be responsible for the preparation of the annual budget of the Society and shall counsel with the financial officers of the Society concerning fiscal policy.*

"'*Article XII, Section 1*

Present Section 1 becomes Section 2.

(Formerly) (There shall be a Personnel Committee consisting of five members. The Executive Secretary of the Women's Missionary Society and the Women Secretaries for Women Students in co-operation with the Board of Education of The United Lutheran Church in America shall be members of this Committee. The President shall appoint two additional members from the Executive Board.) The duty of this Committee shall be to carry out the provision of the Constitution as set forth in Article IV, Section 2, and to bring recommendations to the Executive Board for action.

(As amended) *There shall be a Personnel Committee consisting of three members of the Executive Board. The Executive Secretary and Promotional Secretary of the Women's Missionary Society and selected Associate Staff members shall be advisory members of* *this Committee.* The duty of this Committee shall be to carry out the provision of the Constitution as set forth in Article IV, Section 2, and to bring recommendations to the Executive Board for action.

"'*Article XII, Section 2*

Present Section 2 becomes Section 3.

(Formerly) There shall be a Committee on (Interdenominational) Relationships which shall consist of not fewer than three nor more than five members appointed by the President. The duties of this Committee shall be:

a. To bring to the attention of the Executive Board matters of interest pertaining to our (interdenominational) relationships.
b. To recommend to the Executive Board such actions as may be necessary in our participation in (interdenominational) projects.

(As amended) There shall be a Committee on *Interchurch* Relationships which shall consist of not fewer than three nor more than five members appointed by the President. The duties of this Committee shall be:

a. To bring to the attention of the Executive Board matters of interest pertaining to our *Interchurch* Relationships.
b. To recommend to the Executive Board such actions as may be necessary to our participation in *interchurch* projects.

"'*Article XII, Section 3*

Present Section 3 becomes Section 6.

(Formerly) Members of Standing Committees shall be appointed from (the Staff or from) the Executive Board.

(As amended) Members of Standing Committees shall be appointed from *the personnel of* the Executive Board.

"'*Article XII, Section 4*

Add a new Section 4 as follows:

*There shall be a Committee on Constitution. The duties of this Committee shall be to make a careful study of the Constitution, By-Laws and Standing Rules of the Women's Missionary Society of The United Lutheran Church in America and to recommend to the Executive Board such changes and amendments as are found necessary.*

"'*Article XII, Section 5*

Add a new Section 5 as follows:

*There may be such other Standing Committee as may be necessary to carry out the work of the Society.*

"'*Article XIII, (Term of Office of Department Secretaries)*

Strike out present Article XIII.

(Department Secretaries shall be elected for a term of three years and may be eligible for one re-election. This shall not prevent election after a lapse of one term.)

"'*Article XIV, Reports*

*Present Article XIV, becomes Article XIII.*

"'*Article XIV, Section 2*

(Formerly) All Department Secretaries shall submit reports (in writing) to the Division (Secretary) for presentation to the Executive Board at regular meetings.

(As amended) All Department Secretaries shall submit reports to the *respective* Division *Secretaries* for presentation to the Executive Board at regular meetings.

"'*Article XIV, Section 3*

(Formerly) Missionaries (under the Board of American Missions and Missionaries under the Board of Foreign Missions,) supported (from the funds of this) Society (,) shall be (required) to make (regular) reports of their work to the Executive (office.)

(As amended) Missionaries supported by the *Women's Missionary* Society shall be *requested* to make *periodic* reports of their work to the Executive *Secretary.*

"'*Article XIV, Section 4*

Strike out.

(Missionaries, under the Board of Foreign Missions, supported from the funds of this Society shall report in person to the Executive office of this Society in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as soon as possible after arriving in this country.)

"'*Article XV, Assessments*

Strike our present Article XV.

(Section 1.)

(Synodical Societies which are members of this Society, shall contribute for the constituent membership at least ten cents per member per month to the General Fund of this Society. This assessment shall be used as the basis for establishing active membership of this Society and does not preclude the giving of voluntary offerings for any of the objectives of this Society.)

(Section 2.)

(Synodical Societies which are members of this Society, shall contribute for the constituent membership ten cents per member per year to the Triennial Convention Expense Fund. This assessment shall be used to meet the expense incurred by the General Society in the Triennial Convention. Any surplus in this fund at the end of each Triennium shall be retained in the Triennial Convention Expense Fund.)

(Section 3.)

(Synodical Societies affiliated with this Society may enroll associate members upon the payment to the General Fund of this Society of one dollar per member per year.)

"'*Article XIV, Remittances*

Add the following *new* Article XIV.

*The Synodical Societies which are members of this Society shall remit contributions each quarter for the general fund of this Society.*

"'*Article XV, Active Membership*

Add a *new* Article XV as follows:

*Synodical Societies which are members of this Society shall report as active members those who attend meetings and make contributions to the general fund.*

"'*Article XVI, Investments*

Add a *new* Article XVI as follows:

*The Commission on Investment of The United Lutheran Church in America shall have full responsibility for all decisions affecting the purchase and sale of all investment securities and real property of this Society.*

"'*Article XVI, Audits*

Present Article XVI becomes Article XVII. Remains the same.

The financial records of this corporation in all its Divisions and Departments shall be audited annually by certified public accountants. Additional audits of these records may also be made when required by the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America.

"'*Article XVII, Fiscal and Budget Year*

Present Article XVII becomes Article XVIII. Remains the same.

The fiscal and budget year of this Society shall correspond with the fiscal and budget year of The United Lutheran Church in America.

"'*Article XVIII*

Present Article XVIII becomes Article XIX.

Add title as follows: *Rules of Order*

All parliamentary questions not covered by the Constitution and By-Laws of this Society shall be decided according to Robert's Rules of Order Revised.

"'*Article XIX, Amendments*

Present Article XIX becomes Article XX. Remains the same.

These By-Laws may be altered or amended at any public session of a Triennial Convention of this Society by a three-fourths vote of those present and voting, provided written notice containing a true copy of the proposed amendment has been given at a previous session of the Convention. No amendment to the By-Laws shall become effective until approved by the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America.'"

(*b*) *Amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws not heretofore presented to Executive Board*

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendations:

"The following amendments, not heretofore presented to the Executive Board, are reported to us by the Women's Missionary Society as having been adopted by that body at its convention in Grand Rapids, September 29 to October 3, 1949:

"'*Article V, Section 1: (Constitution)* (See Executive Board Minutes, August 1949, Page 384, Item 10 [*b*])

"'Change the first sentence to read: "This Society shall have the power to publish literature, plan, and upon approval of the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America, publish missionary magazines and appoint editors of same."'"

The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS approval.

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

" '*Article I, Section 5 (Revised By-Laws)*

" 'Change the last sentence to read: "The expenses of the Triennial Convention shall be paid from the General Funds of the Society at a rate to be determined by the Executive Board for each Convention." '

The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS approval.

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

" '*Article II (To become Article III, Revised By-Laws)*

" 'Add a new Section 3 to read as follows: "To be eligible for the presidency, one must have served at least one term on the Executive Board." '

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church defer action on this amendment, for the reason that we deem it an unwise restriction of suffrage, and that it does not adequately express the qualifications necessary for the office."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

" '*Article IV Section 7 (To become Section 6, Revised By-Laws)*

a. "The Executive Board shall fill all vacancies occurring between Conventions. A vacancy occurs by resignation or death.
b. "Such vacancy shall be filled without regard to Synodical affiliation." '

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMMENDS that the Executive Board defer action on this amendment, because vacancies might validly occur for other reasons than resignation or death, and because the wording of paragraph b does not appear to us to be entirely clear."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

" '*Article IX, Section 1 (To become Article X, Section 1, Revised By-Laws)*

Add a new Section, c, as follows: "Stimulating a program of practical Christianity through Christian Social Action." '

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS approval."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

(c) *Progress Report on Restudy of Certain Amendments to Constitution of the Women's Missionary Society*

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the President presented the following report:

"The President was privileged to attend the meeting of the Executive Board of the Women's Missionary Society on May 3-4, 1950, for the purpose of interpreting accurately and sympathetically the actions of this Board (Minutes, October 1949, pp. 481-482) regarding the amendments to the constitution of the Women's Missionary Society which had not received prior approval before the Grand Rapids convention of the Society on September 29-October 3, 1949. Attention was called to two amendments on which action has been deferred by this Board as well as to two others concerning which hesitations were felt before their approval. The Executive Board of the Women's Missionary Society generously and spontaneously agreed to restudy all four amendments. Meanwhile no desire was expressed for this Board to act further on the two amendments on which action has been deferred."

This item was received as information.

5. **Reference by the Women's Missionary Society of The United Lutheran Church in America Concerning Affiliation with the Women's Missionary Society of The United Lutheran Church in America of Any Groups within Affiliated Churches**

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Constituent Synods presented the following report and recommendation:

"At the meeting of the Executive Board of the Women's Missionary Society April 27-28, 1949, a letter from the Rev. Wallace J. Wolff, New Amsterdam, British Guiana, dated March 19, 1949, was received as follows:

> " 'The Women's League of Ebenezer Lutheran Church in British Guiana is interested in becoming affiliated with the Women's Missionary Society of the U.L.C.A. At present there is no Women's Synodical organization of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in British Guiana. Would it be possible for our Women's League to affiliate directly with your organization? If not, would it be possible for them to affiliate with a synodical organization in the U.S.A.? Kindly advise us as early as possible concerning this matter.
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> " 'VOTED: THAT THE QUESTION OF AFFILIATION WITH THE WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA OF ANY GROUPS OUTSIDE OF THE UNITED STATES BE TAKEN UP WITH THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE CHURCH.'

"The Committee on Constituent Synods RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board reply that the Women's Missionary Society would be compelled to place an unjustifiably broad interpretation upon Article III of its constitution, membership, if it were to comply with the request of the Women's League of Ebenezer Lutheran Church of New Amsterdam, British Guiana, a) because the society in question is a congregational society and b) because the Evangelical Lutheran Church in British Guiana is not a constituent synod of The United Lutheran Church in America."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

6. **Support of U.L.C.A. Missionary by Women's Missionary Society for Service in Augustana Church's Tanganyika Mission**

(See VII, E, 13, p. 411, of this report.)

7. **Request of Women's Missionary Society for Joint Imprints with Women's Organizations of Churches of National Lutheran Council. Granted.**

(See VII, E, 17, p. 414, of this report.)

## VII. INTER-LUTHERAN INTERESTS

### A. NATIONAL LUTHERAN COUNCIL

**1. Memorial Service for the Rev. Ralph H. Long**

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1949:

"The thirty-first annual meeting of the National Lutheran Council convened in New York City, February 1-4, 1949. Prior to the business sessions in the Prince George Hotel, a memorial service to the Rev. Ralph H. Long was held in the Lutheran Church House Chapel. The Rev. William G. Sodt, president, was liturgist, assisted by the Rev. Paul C.

Empie, Executive Director. The Rev. T. O. Burntvedt, president of the Lutheran Free Church, preached the sermon"

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

**2. U.L.C.A. Councilors Present at 1949 Meeting**

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1949:

"Rev. Franklin Clark Fry; Mrs. C. W. Baker, Jr.; Rev. Voigt R. Cromer; Rev. Dwight F. Putman; Rev. F. Eppling Reinartz; Rev. W. C. Schaeffer, Jr.; Mr. S. Frederick Telleen; Rev. Amos John Traver; Rev. Rees Edgar Tulloss; Rev. Armin George Weng; Rev. Abdel Ross Wentz; Rev. Paul L. Wetzler.

"At a meeting called by President Fry, Dr. Tulloss was chosen as chairman of the commission by acclamation; Dr. Traver was elected secretary and instructed to prepare a report for the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

**3. Vacancy in Delegation of U.L.C.A., to 1950 Meeting of National Lutheran Council**

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1950:

"There was one vacancy in the delegation from the United Lutheran Church. The Rev. Lyle C. Burns was unable to be present."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

**4. Elections at 1949 Meeting**

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1949:

"The following officers were re-elected:

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| President: | Rev. William G. Sodt, A.L.C. |
| Secretary: | Rev. Armin George Weng, U.L.C.A. |
| Treasurer: | Mr. S. Frederick Telleen, U.L.C.A. |
| Vice-President: | Rev. Martin Anderson, E.L.C. |

"The following were elected members of the Executive Committee: Drs. Aasgaard, Bersell, Burntvedt, Carlsen, Fry, Haapanen, Poppen, Tulloss, Wentz, President Jensen, It will be noted that three are from the United Lutheran Church.

"The following were elected to the staff:

"Rev. Carl E. Lund-Quist, Assistant Executive director for a two-year-term to coincide with his term of office as executive director of the Division of Public Relations;

"Rev. Clarence E. Krumbholz, executive secretary of the Division of Welfare for a term of four years;

"Rev. H. Conrad Hoyer, executive secretary of the Division of American Missions for a term of four years.

"Chaplain Gynther Storaasli, secretary of the Bureau of Service to Military Personnel for term of four years:

"Rev. Robert Van Deusen, Washington secretary of the Division of Public Relations for a term of four years;

"Miss Marjorie Teisberg, staff writer of the Division of Public Relations for a term of four years;

"Miss Ruth Curby, for service in the Department of Research and Statistics, Division of Public Relations, for a term of one year."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 5. Election of Officers and Executive Committee, 1950 Meeting

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1950:

"The following officers were elected:

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| President: | Dr. Lawrence Stavig (E.L.C.) |
| Vice-President: | Dr. Oscar A. Benson (Augustana) |
| Secretary: | Dr. Armin George Weng (U.L.C.A.) |
| Treasurer: | Mr. S. Frederick Telleen (U.L.C.A.) |

"The fourteen members of the expanded Executive Committee (increased from thirteen) include Secretary Weng and Drs Fry, Tulloss and Wentz from the United Lutheran Church. The intention which was announced in 1947 to give the United Lutheran Church representation in the Executive Committee more in proportion to its membership is even further from accomplishment than it was last year."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 6. Staff Elections, 1950 Meeting

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1950:

"The Rev. Donald R. Heiges (U.L.C.A.), now student pastor in the metropolitan area of New York, was elected Executive Secretary of the Division of Student Service for a term of four years Pastor Heiges succeeds Dr. Morris Wee, who has just concluded his brilliant and constructive service as the first Executive Secretary of this division in order to become the President of Carthage College.

"With this annual meeting of the National Lutheran Council Dr. Clarence E. Krumbholz completed ten years of faithful and effective service as Executive Secretary of the Division of Welfare. The Council showed its sincere appreciation by adopting an appropriate resolution."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 7. Proposed Triennial General Conference

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1949:

"Upon recommendation from the Executive Committee, the National Lutheran Council voted 'that the proposed triennial conference be postponed.' Frequent allusions to a conference of this type have occurred in previous minutes (U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 195; U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 189). Such a conference, if held would have consisted of 'representatives of the participating bodies in the National Lutheran Council.' Article

IV, 1, of the constitution opens the possibility for such a conference and defines its character."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 8. Lutheran Commission on Evangelism

(*a*) *Joint Evangelism Effort Begun*

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report:

"The vigorous, concerted evangelism advance of 1949-1950 (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 374, 763) which is being co-ordinated through the Lutheran Commission on Evangelism, has begun strongly. Although the biennium is less than one month old, final arrangements have been completed and training conferences for pastors scheduled, and in some cases already held, in the following states: Florida, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland, Kentucky and Tennessee. On Sunday, January 16, the actual visitation program in Georgia was started and between this date and Easter the programs of visitation evangelism will be activated in these states.

"Early in February the pastors of the Canada Synod will be intensively prepared for the launching of the evangelism advance there on April 24. The period between April 24 and June 1 will be the climax of this ingathering in the synods of Canada and Nova Scotia.

"A meeting of representatives from the various participating Lutheran bodies in New York State is set for Monday, January 31, to construct the plans for that area which has been assigned the three months between September 15 and December 15, 1949."

This item was received as information.

(*b*) *Decision on Continuation of Lutheran Commission on Evangelism Postponed*

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1950:

"Prior to the 1950 annual meeting of the National Lutheran Council a memorial had been received from the Augustana Lutheran Church urging 'the selection of a commission or committee on evangelism for the purpose of continuing the emphasis on evangelism (through the Lutheran Commission on Evangelism) and co-ordinating the programs of the participating bodies of the National Lutheran Council.'

"Between the time when this memorial was framed and the (1950) convention of the Council the Lutheran Commission on Evangelism itself appointed a committee on evaluation, which favors the continuation of the present status of the commission for an additional period of two years. The National Lutheran Council voted:

> " 'That, in view of the report of the Committee on Evaluation of the Commission on Evangelism, action on the memorial of the Augustana Lutheran Church that this commission or committee be appointed to function under the sponsorship of the National Lutheran Council be deferred until the next annual meeting.' "

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

(c) *Lutheran Commission on Evangelism to be Succeeded by Lutheran Evangelism Council*

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran interests presented the following report and recommendation:

"As all will recall, the concerted parish evangelism emphasis under the Lutheran Commission on Evangelism was designed from the start to be limited to these two years. The specified time for this activity is 1949-1950. In conformity with that original and unanimous understanding, this board (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 245) approved in January 1948 'the participation of the United Lutheran Church through its Board of Social Missions in the membership of a Lutheran Commission on Evangelism for the period of the contemplated special emphasis.'

"During the past months extensive discussion has occurred both within the Lutheran Commission on Evangelism and generally in the participating bodies as to continued future co-operation in this central Christian task. A strong desire to conserve the advantages and blessings which have been gained in these two years of close co-operation has been widely expressed.

"At its meeting on May 4, 1950, the Board of Social Missions received from its Department on Evangelism a sympathetic analysis of the strengths and weaknesses of the united evangelism program under the Lutheran Commission on Evangelism. The board thereupon voted:

> " 'In view of the above strengths and weaknesses, and in view of the fact that the Lutheran Commission on Evangelism by its own action, as approved by the United Lutheran Church in America, expires on December 31, 1950,
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> " '1. That after December 31, 1950, the participation of the Board of Social Missions in the Lutheran Commission on Evangelism be discontinued. Carried.
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> " '2. That the Board urge, upon the approval of the Executive Board, a continuing consultation among the directors of evangelism of the National Lutheran Council churches:
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> a. In the production and distribution of literature,
> b. In the co-ordination of programs wherever possible,
> c. In the study of creative approaches to evangelism,
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> and that the present Chairman of the Lutheran Commission on Evangelism be requested to act as convener. Carried.'
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> " 'On May 23 the Executive Committee of the Lutheran Commission on Evangelism met in Chicago to consider the action of the Board of Social Missions and, after considerable discussion, approved the following form of continuation:
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> " ' "4. That we encourage the formation of a 'Lutheran Evangelism Council' made up of the directors of evangelism of the general bodies (in those bodies not having full-time directors of evangelism, their authorized representatives),
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> " ' "a. To co-ordinate the evangelism programs of the general bodies,
> b. To seek new approaches and methods for a common witness,
> c. To plan common literature wherever possible,
> d. To arrange co-operative approaches wherever advisable.
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> " ' "5. That, for purposes of organization, we request one of the full-time directors of evangelism, namely, Pastor E. C. Reinertson, to convene a meeting of the directors of evangelism of the general bodies (in those bodies not having full-time directors of evangelism, their authorized representatives) immediately following the last meeting of the present Commission next fall.
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> " ' "a. That these directors of evangelism (in those bodies not having full-time directors of evangelism, their authorized representatives) be invited to attend the last meeting of the Commission.
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> " ' "b. That their meeting be convened immediately thereafter." '

"In order to make possible a continuing consultative relationship with the other Lutheran Church bodies of the National Lutheran Council and to provide for further co-ordination of our Church's evangelism plans and activities with those of our sister churches, with which we have worked so cordially in the Lutheran Commission on Evangelism, the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interest RECOMMENDS the approval by the Executive Board of a Lutheran Evangelism Council as proposed."

The recommendation was adopted.

(See VI, B, X, I, C, p. 264, Continuation of Second Associate Director of Evangelism Authorized.)

### 9. Regional Home Mission Committee Procedures Amended

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1950:

"The following amendment to Section VII, C, of the procedures for regional Lutheran home mission committees was adopted under the title of 'Pre-emption of an "Open" Field.'

> " 'If a general body or a congregation desires to purchase land in an undeveloped area, to be used as a church site, it shall apply for assignment according to the regular procedures. In the event that the field develops so that in the opinion of the Regional Committee work should be begun, then the Regional Committee shall urge the general body to begin work; in case said body is unable or unwilling to begin work, assignment for that purpose may be made to another body following the prescribed procedures for the assignment of fields.' "

(Collateral reference: 1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 202.)

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 10. Assumption of Special Categories of Work Without Organizing Separate Departments

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council, through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report which was received as information:

"The Council voted,

> " 'That, upon approval of the Council and a majority of the participating bodies, a division, commission, or bureau may undertake work in a special field within the scope of its general responsibility, under the general direction of the executive head of such division, commission or bureau, without setting up a special department in the field; and that such phase of work may be assigned a core budget in such case to cover an appropriate portion of the expense of the executive and his office together with the secretarial and office expense directly related to the special field; it being understood that participation in the core budget and contributions to the supplemental budget are to be expected only from bodies which indicate their desire to participate in the project.'

"The first application of this new principle appears in the action immediately following governing the undertaking of various categories of special mission activities by the Division of American Missions."

### 11. Special Missions within Division of American Missions

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1949:

"After many revisions and adaptations of an earlier plan to organize a Department of Special Missions within the National Lutheran Council's Division of American Missions, the following modus operandi was adopted to supersede all previous actions.

" '1. In accordance with the statement in the constitution of the National Lutheran Council with respect to American Missions, the Division recognizes the continuing responsibility of surveying work among special groups in America with a view to establishing a co-operative ministry among them.

" '2. The various fields of special missions such as Negro Missions, Mexican Missions, Oriental Missions, Indian Missions, Migrant Missions, Mountain Missions, are recognized as possible fields for co-operative missionary activity under the Division of American Missions.

" '3. Subject to the approval of the Council, work may be undertaken in any one or more of the above fields when request for such work has been received from two or more of the bodies, and when financial support for such work is assured.

" '4. The purpose of any such work undertaken shall be to bring the ministry of the Church more effectively to those special groups.

" '5. Each field of special missions listed above shall be regarded as a separate category of work.

" '6. *Participation.* Each body in the Council shall be free to choose to participate in any one, in several, or in all of the different categories of special missions, and shall be free to indicate the extent of its financial participation in each category.

" '7. *Finances.* Since all special mission activities will be supplementary to the basic program of the division, each category of such work shall be financed apart from the regular budget of the division by specifically designated contributions and gifts. Each participating body wishing to make such contribution for a specific category of special missions shall be expected to indicate to the division committee by July 1 of any year the amount of its contribution for the following year. All such assurances of financial support should be for a minimum of three years.

" '8. *Activities*

" 'a) To survey work among such special groups as are herein named in order to ascertain areas of apparent need.

" 'b) To develop interest in bringing the Gospel to the people in these special groups and to encourage and assist established congregations in the evangelization of these people living within their parishes.

" 'c) To determine methods and means of bringing the Gospel most effectively to these people.

" 'd) To provide literature specially prepared for these people.

" 'e) To promote a program of Christian education to prepare these people for active participation in Lutheran congregations.

" 'f) To develop an adequate training program for workers among these special groups.

" 'g) To provide such groups with an adequate spiritual ministry by the Lutheran Church by establishing organized Christian work in areas of apparent need. Such work shall include visitation, teaching, and preaching programs, counselling services, distribution of literature, and Christian fellowship opportunities for the people in such areas. This work shall be so conducted as to lead to the affiliation of converts with established congregations. Where there is no congregation in the area, the regional home mission committee for that area shall assign the opportunity to establish such a congregation to a general body willing to develop it.

" '9. *Administration and Supervision*

" 'a) The administration and supervision of all special mission activities shall be the direct responsibility of the division committee and of its executive secretary.

" 'b) When a sizable activity develops in any of the fields of special missions, an advisory sub-committee may be apponted by the division committee to supervise that special field more closely. Members on this

> sub-committee shall be chosen from the bodies participating in such special mission activities and at least two members of the division committee shall be on each sub-committee. The actions of the sub-committee shall be advisory to the division committee.
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> " 'c) When the work in any one or more special mission programs develops to the point where additional personal supervision shall be deemed necessary, the division committee, following personnel practice of the National Lutheran Council, may nominate one or more staff secretaries to be assigned such supervisory responsibilities.
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> " 'd) Designated funds for each category of special missions shall be expected to bear a fair and equitable share of the general administration expenses of the Division of American Missions, this share to be determined by the division committee, subject to the approval of the Budget Committee of the Council.' "

Note that the above action is the first application of the principle enunciated in the preceding item of this report.

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 12. Staff Secretary for Urban Church Strategy under N.L.C. Division of American Missions

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1949:

"The Council approved the addition of a staff secretary in the Division of American Missions to assist its executive secretary with the work of the Regional Home Mission Committees. This new officer is to be charged specifically with the duty of investigation and study of problems and possibilities connected with mission expansion in urban areas. According to prior action of the Executive Board of our Church in July 1948, the support of this phase of American Missions from the regular budget of the National Lutheran Council was sanctioned with the assurance that the United Lutheran Church will pay its proportionate share of the expense. Hitherto a limited activity of this character has been financed from emergency funds."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 13. National Lutheran Council's Ministry in Temporary Communities

(*a*) *Transfer of Ministry in Temporary Communities to Regular Budget of National Lutheran Council*

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report and recommendation:

"In July 1948 the Executive Board approved the "inclusion in future National Lutheran Council budgets, of which the United Lutheran Church will assume its proportionate share,' of a variety of activities of the National Lutheran Council which had hitherto been supported from emergency funds. One additional similar request has been received under date of January 24, 1949 from the National Lutheran Council for its Division of American Missions as follows:

> " 'Category A—Continuing Ministry in Temporary Defense Industry Communities and other Temporary Communities. Under this category the division proposes to continue into 1950, and perhaps beyond that the services in defense communities undertaken during the war emergency that cannot by that time be dropped, developed as permanent mission activities, or related to near-by congregations. The division anticipated a total budget for this category of $23,300.00 of which $6,050.00 would be asked from the bodies, $12,050.00 would be paid from anticipated emergency balance from 1949, and

> $4,200.00 is anticipated as income from the fields.
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> "'Category B—Ministry in Temporary Communities in Missouri Valley and Other River Development Areas. The minimum anticipated activity in this area would represent an expenditure of $13,550.00 of which $11,150.00 would be expected from the bodies, and $2,400.00 income from the field.'

"All these activities will be provided for from emergency funds (Lutheran World Action) in the 1949 budget of the National Lutheran Council. If these two types of ministry in temporary communities are accepted as a part of the regular budget of the National Lutheran Council, the participating bodies including the United Lutheran Church, will not be expected to contribute directly to the financial support of this work until 1950. Even in 1950 a decreased balance of emergency funds will still be available to meet a share of the expenses. Complete financing from the regular budget will begin in 1951.

"The Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests RECOMMENDS approval of these two types of ministry in temporary communities."

The recommendation of the committee was adopted by the Executive Board.

(b) *1950 Report of U.L.C.A. Commissioners to National Lutheran Council Concerning This Project*

"When the National Lutheran Council decided in 1948 (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes p. 199) to complete by 1950 the transfer to its regular budget of the emergency activities which had previously been financed from Lutheran World Action funds, it was anticipated that the ministry in war-time, temporary housing areas would be at an end by the beginning of this year. Such is not the case. In many instances these communities are as fully populated today as during the war years. Because the budgetary restrictions which had been laid down in 1948 would have compelled the curtailment or termination of this continually valuable ministry, both the Evangelical Lutheran Church and the Augustana Lutheran Church petitioned the National Lutheran Council to re-introduce this project as one of the beneficiaries of future Lutheran World Action appeals.

"Such a drastic reversal of policy would have meant the rescinding of a basic standing resolution of the Council as follows: 'The amounts from the 1948 L.W.A. appeal for the divisions and commissions of the Council shall be the last sums granted from L.W.A. funds for the work of the divisions and commissions, except in the case of the Commission on Younger Churches and Orphaned Missions.'

"In lieu of this action the annual meeting voted:

> "'In view of the fact that we are clearly committed to a policy of financing the program of the Division of American Missions from our regular budget without using Lutheran World Action funds, and in view of the fact that there are available reserves in Lutheran World Action funds which may properly be used for this purpose, that we authorize the Executive Committee to receive emergency requests from the Division of American Missions, and at its discretion to make available for this purpose such funds from Lutheran World Action reserves as it deems necessary.'

"For the purpose of enabling the Executive Committee to carry out this intention, the standing resolution quoted above was suspended 'for this one instance only.'"

(c) *Request for Special Appropriation*

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report:

"The Executive Committee of the National Lutheran Council, meeting on March 30, 1950, received a strong request from the Division of American Missions of the Council to appropriate either $25,000 or $10,000 out of Lutheran World Action reserve funds to make possible the continuance and slight expansion of the co-operative ministry in temporary communities which this Division has carried on ever since its inception during the war years. The Division of American Missions explained its present predicament as follows: 'At present we are faced with the necessity of closing down work of considerable extent in temporary community ministries because of lack of funds, due to delay in termination of housing conversion and further delays in transferring the work to the boards for development on a permanent home mission basis.'

"The request for $25,000 was based on a projected budget which would have eliminated supplementary budget contributions from the Participating Bodies to this 'special category of work' in 1950 and 1951. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes p. 199; Executive Board Minutes, April 1949, page 184). This proposal was prompted by the fact that notice has been received from one of the larger Participating Bodies in the Council that it will find itself unable to make such supplementary contributions during 1950.

"The alternate plan calling for a grant of $10,000 looks forward to the receipt of the supplementary budget contributions already pledged for this 'special category of work.' The $110,000 grant is to be in addition to all such sums.

"The Executive Committee of the Council voted 'that the Division of American Missions be given a grant of $10,000 from Lutheran World Action reserves, to be used over the two-year period, 1950-1951, for work in temporary communities.' It was cited in justification of this action that the Lutheran World Action reserves mentioned were accumulated during years prior to 1949 in which a ministry to migrant populations in the United States was one of the objectives of Lutheran World Action appeals.

"The minutes of the March 30 meeting further state that in the course of the discussion of this motion, 'it was suggested that it would still be possible to adjust the 1951 budget upward to meet the need of this operation if the Participating Bodies should concur regarding its urgency and that any emergency grant from Lutheran World Action reserves should be regarded as expedient for an immediate need and not as a step reversing previous policy.'"

This item was received as information.

### 14. Missouri Valley Missions

#### (a) *U.L.C.A. Agrees to Assume Proportionate Share of Expense*

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at the April 1949 meeting.

"By action of the National Lutheran Council the Executive Committee was given power to act on the securing or continuance of the service of a staff member of the Division of American Missions in the Missouri Valley for three years beyond 1949. Earlier incidents in this development were reported on pages 203-204 of the 1948 Minutes. The transfer of the support of a special Missouri Valley ministry from emergency funds to the regular budget of the National Lutheran Council was approved by the Executive Board in July, 1948, with the assurance that the United Lutheran Church will assume its proportionate share of the expense."

#### (b) *U.L.C.A. Withdraws Financial Participation During 1950*

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report and recommendation:

"At the 1948 annual meeting of the National Lutheran Council, its Division of American Missions recommended the inclusion in future budgets of the Council of three home mission projects of the type which had previously been supported out of L.W.A. funds. Two of these activities were a greatly reduced emergency ministry in war housing areas and a similar ministry in the temporary communities which were springing up in the Missouri Valley in connection with the erection of dams. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 199) The National Lutheran Council requested 'each participating body of the Council to indicate whether it will participate when work is transferred from support by emergency funds to the regular budget in order that the 1949 budget may be set up accordingly.'

"In July 1948 this Executive Board approved several projects, including the two named above, as continuing elements in the Council's program and indicated that the United Lutheran Church would be willing to assume its proportionate share in their necessary financial support. Our board was moved to take this action with regard to the Missouri Valley proposal primarily as a contribution to Lutheran solidarity, even though only a very small proportion of the total Lutheran constituency to be served in the temporary communities in that area would belong to the United Luthean Church. It was recognized that the direct interests of our Church were much less involved in this particular activity than were the interests of other participating bodies in the National Lutheran Council. Our decision was based upon the expectation that all the other church bodies which would benefit largely from this activity would share fully in its costs.

"This assumption has now proved to be incorrect. At least one of the other large church bodies in the National Lutheran Council has notified the Council that it will not participate in the financial support of the Missouri Valley project in 1950, the first year in which its expense must be defrayed through grants from the treasuries of the participating Churches of the National Lutheran Council, rather than from Lutheran World Action funds. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 203-4). As a result, the financial assessment of the United Lutheran Church would be increased sharply, from $5,393.45 to $6,724.25.

"In the light of this development, the Executive Committee of the National Lutheran Council was told on October 1, 1949, that a resumé of these facts would be presented to the Executive Board today and that reconsideration of our earlier decision to participate in the financial support of the Missouri Valley ministry was possible.

"The Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests RECOMMENDS that, in view of the fact that not all of the National Lutheran Council church bodies have agreed to participate in the financing of a joint ministry in the Missouri Valley during the coming year, including at least one church body with a much larger membership in the affected area than the United Lutheran Church's constituency in that region, the Executive Board inform the National Lutheran Council that the United Lutheran Church will withdraw from financial participation in this project during 1950."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### (c) *U.L.C.A. Bearing Proportionate Share of Expense Reconsidered*

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its April 1950 meeting:

"The action of the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church, (October, 1949) to withdraw from participation in the financing of a joint ministry in the Missouri Valley during 1950 was a serious blow to this project. The three church bodies of the National Lutheran Council which were left to carry the entire burden of a co-operative ministry in the Missouri Valley were deeply disappointed. The intensest, and perhaps the tensest, moments in the 1950 annual meeting of the National Lutheran Council occurred during the discussion of this issue. It was apparent that, lacking the participation of the American Lutheran Church and The United Lutheran Church in America, a strategic ministry in the new dam communities in the Dakotas and elsewhere would have to be severely curtailed.

"Your commission believes that the Executive Board will do well, for the sake of strengthening comradeship in the National Lutheran Council, to provide a substantial contribution for the Missouri Valley ministry during 1950 in the name of the United Lutheran Church, even though our Church will not participate fully in this distinctive category of work.

"The annual meeting voted: 'that the matter of Missouri Valley and River Developments be referred to the Executive Committee with power to act.'" (An Earlier reference to Missouri Valley missions is in 1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 203-204)

(*d*) *Project Removed from List of Co-operative Operations*

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following item as information:

"At the meeting of the Executive Committee of the National Lutheran Council on March 30, 1950, the Division of American Missions reported the following action which that division had taken regarding the co-operative ministry in the Missouri Valley:

> " 'Whereas it has not been possible to secure general financial support for a co-operative program in the Missouri Valley project;
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> " 'Whereas the participating bodies which did pledge support (Evangelical Lutheran Church, Augustana Lutheran Church, United Evangelical Lutheran Church) do not believe that even if they were able to raise their pledged amounts it would result in a representative co-operative program;
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> " 'Whereas the Evangelical Lutheran Church has expressed its willingness and readiness to take over this project as represented in the work being done at Riverdale and Cole Harbor in North Dakota, and Pickstown, South Dakota;
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> " 'Therefore be it resolved: That the Division of American Missions withdraw from the Missouri Valley project not later than May 1, 1950 and turn the work over to the Evangelical Lutheran Church.'

"As a result, 'the Division Committee has removed the Missouri Valley project from its list of co-operative efforts.' The contribution for this purpose recommended by the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council will therefore no longer be appropriate or needed."

This item was received as information.

### 15. National Lutheran Council Division of American Missions Authorized "to Undertake Work Among Negro Peoples in America"

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1950:

"Requests had been received from the Evangelical Lutheran Church and the Augustana Lutheran Church that 'the Council undertake co-operative work among Negroes' prior to the 1950 annual meeting. A supporting communication from the President of the American Lutheran Church stated that 'the American Lutheran Church and its Board of American Missions will be glad to have the National Lutheran Council take over its financial records between the Student Service Commission and the new Division of work in Negro Missions if and when assurance can be given that it will be carried out with energy and that it will be supported by a number of the synods co-operating in the National Lutheran Council.'

"In response to these official expressions and upon motion of its Division of American Missions the National Lutheran Council voted:

> " 'That, in view of the fact that at least two bodies in the Council have asked that the Division of American Missions undertake Negro mission work co-operatively, and the Council has approved an outline for so doing when two or more bodies ask for it, authorization be given to the Division of American Missions to undertake work among Negro peoples in America as an integral activity of the Division of American Missions for those bodies that choose to participate in that work and that the work be undertaken beginning January 1, 1951.'

"The 'outline' to which the above action refers is apparently the general procedural scheme for 'special missions within the Division of American Missions' which was reported one year ago and appears on pages 191-193 of the April 1949 Minutes of the Executive Board.

"In order to launch this special category of work at as early a date as practicable it was further voted:

> " 'That the Division Committee submit to the Budget Committee a detailed budget for the Negro mission category of work for 1951 in time so that it can be recommended by the Budget Committee and approved by the Executive Committee of the Council before the operation of the program begins, and that the National Lutheran Council suspend the operation of XI, 7, of its Standing Resolutions for the year 1950 as that rule would apply to the proposed new category of work.'

"The standing resolution which is temporarily suspended for 1950 stipulates that assurances of financial support for such special category of work must be received from the participating bodies for each budget year by July 1 of the preceding year."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

At the October 3, 1950, meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following:

"At its September 1950 meeting the Board of American Missions adopted the following:

> " 'In view of the assumption of Negro work by the National Lutheran Council it is recommended that this Board channel its contributions to the National Lutheran Council for such work through the treasury of the Church.'

"The Board of American Missions has contributed through the American Lutheran Church to work among Negroes since 1942 when a grant of $2,000 was made toward the support of a ministry to the Negroes already inaugurated by that Church (1942 Minutes, p. 175). Contributions made by our Board of American Missions to the American Lutheran Church for this ministry, including the initial grant in 1942, total $31,000.

"At the formal request of the Augustana Lutheran Church and the Evangelical Lutheran Church, the National Lutheran Council voted at its 1950 annual meeting to authorize the Division of American Missions 'to undertake work among Negro peoples in America as an integral activity of the Division of American Missions for those bodies that choose to participate in that work and that work be undertaken beginning January 1, 1951' " (April, 1950 Minutes, p. 747).

"The Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board approve the action of the Board of American Missions to transmit its contributions to the National Lutheran Council for the support of work among Negroes through the treasury of the ULCA.

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 16. Communication to be Sent to National Lutheran Council Churches Concerning Mexican Missions

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1950:

"The Augustana Lutheran Church likewise requested 'a comprehensive program of Mexican Missions under the Division of American Missions' with the American Lutheran Church concurring.

"The National Lutheran Council voted:

> " 'That we ask the Executive Director to address a communication to the participating bodies interested, outlining the necessary requirements for the new co-operative work, and report to the next annual meeting of the Council.' "

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 17. Appropriation of $1,000 to Department for the Christian Approach to the Jews, International Missionary Council, Approved.

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1950:

"At the united request of the presidents of the participating bodies the National Lutheran Council decided:

> " 'That there be added to the budget for the Division of American Missions in the account of the Department for the Christian Approach to the Jewish People a sum of $2,000 which is to be a contribution to the International Missionary Council Commission on the Christian Approach to the Jews for the year 1950, with the understanding that this will be the only contribution of its character passing through the budget of the Council; and that gifts for this purpose shall be accepted by the Treasurer for transmission to the International Missionary Council for said Commission; and further, that this item be entered on the records of our Division of American Missions as an annex to its budget.'

"This unprecedented contribution which the Commission on the Christian Approach to the Jews needs and urgently requests, will be applied to the salary of the Rev. Goete Hedenquist, a Lutheran pastor of the Church of Sweden, who has become the Associate Director of the Commission. *It is hoped that the United Lutheran Church will volunteer a non-recurring gift of $1,000 for this purpose during 1950 from its central treasury."*

In connection with the above report, the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following recommendation which was adopted by the Executive Board.

"That the Executive Board instruct the Finance Committee to prepare a suitable recommendation regarding a gift from the United Lutheran Church to the International Missionary Council's Commission on the Christian Approach to the Jews to be used for the salary of the Associate Director of the Commission in 1950."

(For specific authorization of appropriation see III, 21, p. 146, of this report.)

## 18. Inter-Lutheran Ministry to Seamen

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Board of Social Missions on November 11, 1948 adopted a recommendation of its Department of Inner Missions reading:

> " 'Whereas the constitution of the National Lutheran Council provides in Article IX, Section 4, paragraph h, "Development of Lutheran service to special groups, e.g., seamen, immigrants,—" (U.L.C.A. Minutes, 1944, p. 218) and whereas a study has been made of the ministry to seamen in the United States at the request of the Board of Social Missions resulting in the unanimous opinion that a ministry to seamen should be conducted as an Inter-Lutheran effort, therefore:
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> " 'Be It Resolved that we request the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church to instruct the commissioners of that body to the National Lutheran Council to work toward a nation-wide ministry to seamen conducted by the Division of Welfare or by the participating bodies co-ordinated under the supervision of the Division of Welfare of the National Lutheran Council.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees feels that there is much to be said for the desirability of a nation-wide ministry to seamen on an inter-Lutheran basis but it is also conscious of the fact that the National Lutheran Council has been expanding its activities and increasing its central budget very rapidly within the last two years. It is therefore a question whether the National Lutheran Council should at this time be challenged to conduct such a nation-wide ministry to seamen under its Division of Welfare.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board ask the commissioners of the United Lutheran Church to the National Lutheran Council to study the feasibility of a nation-wide ministry to seamen of the sort outlined in the recommendation of the Board of Social Missions and make report of their conclusions to the Executive Board through the Committee on Boards and Committees."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the following report of the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests was presented:

"In January 1949 the Executive Board asked 'the commissioners of the United Lutheran Church in America to the National Lutheran Council to study the feasibility of a nation-wide ministry to seamen,' and to report their conclusions to this board through the Committee on Boards and Committees. Our Commission to the National Lutheran Council initiated the study of Minneapolis on January 31, 1950 by appointing a sub-committee for this purpose. In order not to delay the eventual report on this subject for another entire year, the study sub-committee is to communicate its findings and recommendations to all U.L.C.A. Commissioners to the National Lutheran Council by mail as soon as convenient for their approval."

The item was received as information.

## 19. Spiritual Care of Draftee-Trainees

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report and recommendation:

"An official memorandum of October 20, 1948, from the executive director of the National Lutheran Council regarding the Bureau of Service to Military Personnel procedures in dealing with chaplains asks the following question among others: 'Is it understood that the approval by the participating bodies of the program of the Service Bureau carries with it authorization for the bureau to make direct contact with pastors whose parishes are adjacent to the training centers, to make such arrangements as may be found practical for a spiritual service to draftee-trainees?' Since explicit approval has previously been granted to the National Lutheran Council by this Executive Board to confer upon the Department for the Christian Approach to the Jewish People in one instance and the Student Service Commission in another instance the right of direct approach to individual congregations and pastors of the United Lutheran Church for specific purposes, this same procedure should be followed for the Bureau of Service to Military Personnel.

"The Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests RECOMMENDS that the National Lutheran Council's Bureau of Service to Military Personnel be granted the right of direct contact with pastors and congregations adjacent to military training centers in order to make such arrangements as may be found practical for spiritual service to draftee-trainees."

The recommendation of the committee was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 20. Establishment of Division of Student Service

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1949:

"The Division of Student Service was formally established. Its purposes and functions are to be exactly as approved at our 1948 convention (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes pp. 672–674) and also by other participating bodies. The date of transition in the Council's Student Service was set at January 1, 1949."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 21. Student Center Reserve Fund

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1949:

"On recommendation of the Student Service Commission the Council approved 'the adoption by the Division of Student Service of the policy of establishing from the student center fund a reserve of 10% of the total receipts of the fund for the purpose of meeting emergency needs arising in the future in connection with capital expenses on student center buildings beyond the ability of local governing boards to finance and for other developing needs.'"

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 22. Department of Radio

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1949:

"The executive director reported to the Council:

> "'All participating bodies replying to our inquiry on this matter have given their approval "in principle" to the petition that the Division of Public Relations set up a Department of Radio. The division is in process of preparing a detailed outline of structure and budget for submission to the Executive Committee. This outline is not yet completed. When approved by the Executive Committee, it will be submitted to the participating bodies for final action.'" (cf. 1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 212)

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 23. Change of Name of Commission on Orphaned Missions

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the UL.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1949:

"At the request of the Commission on Orphaned Missions, its name was changed to 'The Commission on Younger Churches and Orphaned Missions.' The reason for this alteration is that the commission aids certain autonomous younger churches which are sensitive about being designated as missions. The vigorous Batak Church of Sumatra, numbering over half a million Christians, is a conspicuous instance."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 24. National Lutheran Council Budgets, 1949, 1950, 1951

(*a*) *Budget for 1949*

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report and recommendation to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1949:

"The National Lutheran Council budget for 1949 was adopted in the amount of $1,317,873, of which $317,545 has been allocated to the participating bodies. Of this sum $155,209.53 is expected from the United Lutheran Church to be applied as follows:

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| "General Office | $ 11,211.12 |
| Division of Public Relations | 17,528.95 |
| Division of American Missions | 16,088.44 |
| Division of Student Service | |
| All Bodies | 7,211.74 |
| Six Bodies | 63,368.22 |
| Division of Welfare | 28,486.60 |
| Bureau of Service to Military Personnel | 5,838.47 |
| Christian Approach to the Jewish People | 5,475.99 |

"Aside from variations of a few cents in four elements of the budget, there are two major changes from the tentative schedule which appears on page 62 of the minutes of the Executive Board for January 26-27, 1949. Our allotment for the general office was increased by approximately $500, which is roughly one-half of the expected cost of printing a new edition of the constitution, by-laws and standing resolutions of the Council. An increase of more than $1,400 for the Division of Student Service is accounted for by the factor described in the final sentence of Item 23.

"Inasmuch as the United Lutheran Church's share in the 1949 budget of the National Lutheran Council exceeds by $1,936.11 the estimate which had been submitted to our Church in advance of the January 1949 allocations, the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board instruct the Finance Committee to consider and recommend to this board ways and means by which the United Lutheran Church can discharge this obligation."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"At the February, 1949 annual meeting of the National Lutheran Council, the budget of the Council for the year 1949 was adopted which exceeded previous estimates. (Executive Board Minutes, April 1948, p. 187.)

"The U.L.C.A. share of this budget, minus an allowance for the 1948 overpayment, and plus a contribution by our Church to the Department for the Christian Approach to the Jewish People, amounts to $155,043.50. The amount paid by the U.L.C.A. to date toward its share is $127,857.40.

"The remaining schedule payments for 1949 will bring the total paid to $153,107.39, which is $1,936.11 short of the U.L.C.A. share of the 1949 National Lutheran Council budget.

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that $1,936.11 be transferred from the Executive Board budget—Miscellaneous & Contingent—to the General Church Treasury for transmission to the National Lutheran Council, to adjust the payments to the Council for the U.L.C.A. share of its 1949 budget."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

(b) *Budget for 1950*

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its April 1950 meeting:

"The National Lutheran Council's budget for 1950 was adopted in the amount of $505,221 of which $385,939 has been allocated to the participating bodies. Of this sum $189,018.23 is expected from the United Lutheran Church, to be applied as follows:

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| "General Office | $14,384.31 |
| Division of Public Relations | 19,318.71 |
| Division of American Missions | 24,776.36 |
| Division of Student Service | 79,464.19 |
| Division of Welfare | 39,054.38 |
| Bureau of Service to Military Personnel | 6,046.47 |
| Christian Approach to the Jewish People | 5,973.81 |
| | $189,018.23 |

"The increase in the amounts requested from the participating bodies, rising from $317,545 in 1949 to $385,939 in 1950, is accounted for principally by the continued transfer of one-time emergency work of the Council to its regular budget. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 197-200.) This process has been practically completed with the adoption of the 1950 budget.

"A projection of the 1950 budget in May 1949, for the purpose of giving an indication in advance to the participating bodies of the financial grants which would be expected from them, had estimated that the total askings from the participating bodies would be $403,575 (including $11,150 for Missouri Valley missions). As will be seen, several reductions in the 1950 budget figures were made at the annual meeting."

This item was received as information.

(c) *Budget for 1951*

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its April 1950 meeting:

"In order to avoid in 1951 the inconsistency of the National Lutheran Council's past practice of adopting its annual budget after a month of the budget year had already elapsed, the 1950 annual meeting voted to adopt tentatively the Council's proposed budget for 1951. It was further voted to empower the Executive Committee to adopt final budgetary figures for the first two months of next year on the condition that the total amount so adopted for January and February 1951 shall not exceed one-sixth of the projected budget for the entire year.

"The National Lutheran Council's tentative budget for 1951 stands at $505,133, of which $422,591 is to come from the contributions of the participating bodies. The United Lutheran Church's allocation is to be $206,901.83."

This item was received as information.

### 25. Core Budgets for Divisions

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its April 1950 meeting:

"An earlier proposal of the adoption of a core budget procedure for divisions of the National Lutheran Council had been referred by the Executive Committee to the Budget Committee for study and exploration. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 200.) The Budget Committee reported that it was 'of the opinion that it is not desirable to establish a core budget for divisions, committees or commissions.' (This procedure is already customary for departments.) Thereupon the Council voted:

> " 'That the National Lutheran Council concur in the presentation of the Budget Committee specifying that an action of the Council will be required in every instance in which a core budget for a division, committee, or commission is desired.' "

This item was received as information.

### 26. New National Lutheran Council Headquarters Building

At the April 1949 meeting, the Executive Board had the following report presented to it by the Commission to the National Lutheran Council through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests:

"Resolutions were voted governing the purchase of a new headquarters for the National Lutheran Council and the method of financing to be employed if a property is secured for this purpose:

> " '1. That, in view of the fact that the available space in the Lutheran Church House is no longer adequate for the Council's needs, the Council approve the securing of other space in New York City for the Council headquarters office.
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> " '2. That the Executive Committee of the Council be authorized to secure the needed space either by lease or purchase.
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> " 'If the purchase of a property proves to be advisable:
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> " '3. That full authority be and is hereby granted to the Executive Committee to act on behalf of the Council in any and all matters relating to the purchase and remodeling of a property, provided that the total cost shall not exceed $150,000.
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> " '4. That the funds required be advanced from unallocated funds in the Lutheran World Action account and subject to the control of the Council, as a loan at 2 per cent interest per annum; the interest payment to be cared for as a part of the operating costs of the building; the loan to be required as rapidly as possible through contributions by the participating bodies for this purpose.
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> " '5. That each of the participating bodies be requested to provide its proportionate share of the required funds determined upon the basis of confirmed membership, in payments over a period of years.

> "'6. That the Council express its hope that special gifts from interested individuals may be received; and that publicity be given to this possibility.
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> "'7. That not later than the 1952 meeting of the Council, consideration be given to the possibility of providing through a commercial loan, secured by mortgage, for any unpaid balance of the loan from L.W.A. funds.'

"This action reflects appreciation on the part of the Council of the need of the Council to provide space for its expanding work and growing staff."

This item was received as information.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report and recommendations:

"After a search for a new headquarters building for the National Lutheran Council extending over many months, the Executive Committee of the Council approved on November 30, 1949, the purchase of the building at 50 Madison Avenue, New York, New York, at a cost of $150,000. The seller is the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, which has used this property for its main offices for many years. According to the terms of sale, the National Lutheran Council will gain complete possession by September 1, 1950. The transfer of title will occur on or about February 15, 1950. There is a possibility that a few of the activities of the National Lutheran Council can be moved to the new site after April 1st. The fourth floor of 50 Madison Avenue is unoccupied at present.

"In making this purchase the Executive Committee acted within the authority explicitly given to it by the National Lutheran Council at its 1949 annual meeting (pp. 189-190). Under the terms of this action, each of the Participating Bodies will be expected 'to provide its proportionate share of the required funds determined upon the basis of confirmed membership, in payments over a period of years.' On the basis of a total price of $150,000, the amount expected from the United Lutheran Church will be $72,409.85.

"In order to secure from each of the Participating Bodies a formal recognition of its commitment to assume its rightful share of the cost of the new headquarters building, the following, further action was taken on November 30:

> "'That the Executive Committee of the National Lutheran Council encourage each Participating Body of the National Lutheran Council to accept formally its responsibility to defray its proportionate share of the $150,000 cost of the purchase of the property at 50 Madison Avenue in payments over a period of years, and to be responsible likewise for the payment of interest charges on the unpaid portion of its respective share, and to give written indication of such acceptance at the Annual Meeting of the Council in 1950.'

"In this connection it was stipulated, 'that any individual gifts which may be made by members of the Participating Bodies toward the purchase price of the new headquarters shall be credited to the share of the Church Body to which the donor belongs.'

"Temporary financing will be provided by means of a loan from reserve funds held by the National Lutheran Council in the account of its former Service Commission.

"This prospective investment of capital funds in property owned by the National Lutheran Council inevitably raised the question of what will happen to such real property in the event of the National Lutheran Council's dissolution, a contingency which has not previously been covered in the Council's constitution or by-laws. Consequently the Executive Committee further voted on November 30 to 'recommend that the Council adopt a by-law including the provision that in case of the dissolution of the Council or such change in its character as would call for the sale of the property, each

Participating Body is to share in the proceeds of the sale of such property in proportion to its contribution made to it.' Such a by-law has subsequently been prepared for adoption at the 1950 annual meeting of the National Lutheran Council and proper notice has been sent to all councillors in compliance with Article XVII, Amendments, of the Council's by-laws.

"The following description of the new headquarters property has been prepared by a member of the National Lutheran Council's staff:

> " 'The building at 50 Madison Avenue, New York City, is a four story, attic and cellar building, constructed of brick and steel, with limestone facia on a plot 30 x 98.9 at the Northwest corner of E. 26th Street. The *gross* area of the building above grade is estimated at approximately 13,000 sq. ft., of which there are approximately 2,100 sq. ft. *net* per floor.
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> " 'The building was built for the present owner-occupant, the A.S.P.C.A., in 1896 and has been occupied by that organization since construction. The room layout is as follows:
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> " 'Basement—Three work rooms and three vaults (under the sidewalk)
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> " '1st Floor—Four offices, main hall and vestibule and lavatory
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> " '2nd Floor—Four offices and lavatory
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> " '3rd Floor—Four offices, fireproof vault (15 x 25.6) and lavatory
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> " '4th Floor—Four offices and lavatory
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> " 'Attic—Open storage space
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> " 'Ceiling Height throughout office area—14.7 minimum.
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> " '*Improvements* — Otis manually operated open cab elevator, oil burner, steam plant, service hot water supply through copper storage tank on Tako connection with main steam plant, New York steam lines to building but not now in use, hardwood floors in majority of offices, terrazzo flooring in public halls and in balance of office space, flat tar and rubberoid roof without parapet.
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> " '*Area*—This building is located on the North side of Madison Square Park across Madison Avenue from the modern New York Life Insurance Building, near to the Metropolitan Life Insurance main office, Provident Loan Company's main office, and other nationally known business institutions. It is within a few blocks of the headquarters of the Presbyterian Church, Reformed Church in America, Methodist Church, the Episcopal Church headquarters, the United Charities Building and the Baptist headquarters. Of course, the United Lutheran Church too, is but a short distance away. Transportation facilities are excellent as are eating facilities for office personnel.
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> " '*Condition*—Other than the recommended conversion of the present manually operated elevator to automatic controls or replacement by an entirely new elevator whichever is felt desirable by the N.L.C., the major work in the building will consist of painting the entire interior, painting the sash and trim, steam washing of the limestone facia, and other general maintenance items. Recommended also is the replacement of the present high tank flushes in the toilets by a newer low type box flush.
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> " 'It is recommended also that those offices with terrazzo flooring be replaced by linoleum flooring for the comfort of the employees and for appearance purposes. It is doubtful that partitioning changes will be required.
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> " '*Price*—$150,000.00.
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> " 'Taxes—Now exempt.'

"The Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board acting in behalf of the United Lutheran Church

"(1) formally accept the responsibility of our Church to defray its proportionate share of $150,000 which is the cost of the property at 50 Madison Avenue, and to pay its proportionate charges from time to time on the unpaid portion of this amount, and

"(2) instruct the Secretary of the Church to give written indication of such acceptance to the National Lutheran Council prior to its annual meeting in 1950."

The recommendations were adopted by the Executive Board.

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its April 1950 meeting:

"The 1950 annual meeting of the National Lutheran Council approved 'the action of the Executive Committee in purchasing the property at 50 Madison Avenue, New York, for use as the headquarters of the National Lutheran Council.'

"According to the report of the Budget Committee, 'a tentative estimate of the expenditures which will be required if the new headquarters property is to be put into good condition throughout indicates a need of approximately $30,000 for this purpose.'

" 'The Welfare Division has reported that by reason of loans of staff members to the Resettlement Service and inability to replace this staff, also because of certain balances that have been accumulated in various phases of its work since 1944, the Division now has to its credit a considerable balance.'

"As a result the Budget Committee made a proposal, which was adopted: "That the sum of $30,000 be transferred from the balance in the Welfare Division account to the general treasury of the Council and that this fund be available for the necessary rehabilitation of the headquarters building.'

"The annual meeting further voted to appropriate the sum of $1,450, 'a saving in expenses of the general office by reason of the fact that no charge was made for the salary of the Executive Director during the months of July and August 1949,' (during which time Dr. Empie was 'a salaried "visiting expert" under the American Military Government in Germany') for appropriate redecoration and furnishing of the main office in the new building.

"It was noted that the Council has heretofore been using office and mailing equipment belonging to the Lutheran Church House, paying for services rendered. When the National Lutheran Council moves to its new headquarters, it will be necessary for the Council to purchase much equipment, including addressograph, multilith, graphotype, Pitney-Bowes mailer, etc., at a total cost of $7,000 or more. To care for this considerable expense an item of $3,000 was included in the general office budget for 1950 in the expectation that a similar amount would be budgeted for 1951 and any remaining sum will be cared for in the budget for 1952.

"To provide the initial funds required for the purchase of the new headquarters building, it was voted:

> " 'That the Treasurer be instructed to advance the sum of $150,000 from the investible funds of the Council (Service Commission reserve), at an interest rate of 2 per cent from date of our taking title to the building, and that all capital payments made by the participating bodies as contributions to the cost of the building be credited to the Service Commission reserve.'

"The 1950 annual meeting of the National Lutheran Council sharpened into even greater distinctness the plans for financing the purchase of the new headquarters building as reported to the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board. It was voted:

> " 'That the cost of the building be pro-rated to the various participating bodies upon the customary basis and that appropriate interest charges be made against each participating body based upon its respective share of the capital account remaining unpaid as of December 31 and June 30 of each year; and that such interest charge be regarded as a first charge on any payments by a participating body on the building account.'

"In order to clear the way for this arrangement the Council rescinded its 1949 action which had declared that the interest payments on the building loan were to be cared for as part of the operating cost of the building."

This item was received as information.

### 27. Disposition of Real Property at Dissolution of Council

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its April 1950 meeting:

"In order to make secure the rights of the participating bodies to share in the funds realized from the sale of capital property to which they had contributed, if the Council is ever dissolved, the following amendment to the by-laws of the Council was adopted:

> " 'Article XIV
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> " 'Financial Support and Property
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> " 'Section 1. The same as Section 1 appearing now under Article XIV.
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> " 'Section 2. In cases where the Council acquires property, payment for which has been provided by contributions made by the Participating Bodies and the dissolution of the Council or a change in its character makes desirable the sale of the property, each Participating Body shall share in the proceeds of the sale of such property in proportion to the contribution which it has made to the National Lutheran Council's capital investment in the property.' "

This item was received as information.

### 28. Appointment of National Lutheran Council Investment Committee Authorized

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1949:

"The appointment of an Investment Committee was authorized to have charge of the investment of unused funds of the Council. The personnel of the committee will be the treasurer, executive director and chairman of the Budget Committee."

### 29. Study of Duplication of Congregational Work Continued

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1949:

"The Committee on Duplication of Congregational Work reported that it had undertaken only a few preliminary studies in fulfillment of its assignment. Appointment of a new committee to continue the study was authorized. Earlier date concerning duplication of congregational work are found on pages 201, 202 of the 1948 Minutes."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 30. Amendments to By-laws of National Lutheran Council Acted Upon by 1949 Meeting

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the

National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1949:

"In anticipation of an early reprinting of the constitution, by-laws and standing resolutions of the National Lutheran Council, the 1949 annual meeting of the Council proceeded to recodify this material. Several earlier standing resolutions of basic importance were incorporated in the by-laws. In order to accomplish this purpose without delay, the president of the Council ruled that earlier actions by the National Lutheran Council on the matters in question constituted due notice of these proposed amendments. This ruling was based upon the conviction that the spirit of Article XII, Section 1, of the by-laws had been fulfilled, to wit:

> " 'These By-laws may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the Councillors present at any duly called meeting of the Council, provided that notice of the proposed amendment shall have been sent to each Councillor and to the president of each Participating Body at least thirty days prior to the date of the meeting.'

"The new provisions embodied in the by-laws in this manner summarize previous regulations concerning:

"A. Department for the Christian Approach to the Jewish People (cf. 1946 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 198-200)

"B. Division of Student Service (cf. 1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 672, 673)

"C. Bureau of Service to Military Personnel (cf. 1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 215, 216)

"D. Commission on Younger Churches and Orphaned Missions (cf. 1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 220-222)

"E. Status of National Lutheran Council as the National Committee in the U. S. A. for the Lutheran World Federation (Executive Board Minutes, April, 1947, pp. 120-121, Items (1)-(7) )

"F. Procedures in Setting Up New Work (1946 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 190-191, par. D)

"G. Financial Support (cf. 1946 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 207-208, Items (2)-(6); also 1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 196, Item 9)

"The principal deviations or new features of these additions to the by-laws as compared with previous standing rules of the National Lutheran Council which have already been reported to the Executive Board and the United Lutheran Church are as follows:

> " 'A. Department for the Christian Approach to the Jewish People.
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> " 'The budget of the Department shall be limited to its assured income.
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> " 'The number of members from each participating body on the Division Committee "shall be in general proportionate to that body's financial support." This last phrase replaces, "on the basis of their (the participating bodies') special interest in this work."
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> " 'B. Division of Student Service.
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> " 'Only verbal rearrangement.
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> " 'C. Bureau of Service to Military Personnel.
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> " 'The earlier standing rule has been rephrased slightly to make the arrangements for the supervision of this bureau conform to another article (Article VII of the by-laws of the National Lutheran Council) which prescribes "that the work of a bureau shall be under the supervision of the executive

director." The new by-law defines the former "bureau committee" as having only advisory functions.

" 'According to this by-law, "the bureau shall have a full-time secretary." Previously this official was defined as having either full-time or part-time duties.

" 'D. Commission on Younger Churches and Orphaned Missions.

" 'In consistency with the purpose behind the change in name of this commission, sub-paragraph a. was added as follows:

" 'a. Co-operation with younger churches to which the National Lutheran Council acting as the U. S. A. National Committee of the Lutheran World Federation extends aid.

" 'E. Status of National Lutheran Council as the National Committee in the U. S. A. for the Lutheran World Federation.

" 'No change.

" 'F. Procedures in Setting Up New Work.

" 'Only a minor fraction of material in this new by-law has been previously reported to the Executive Board.

" 'Significant new provisions in this by-law are as follows:

> " 'Requests for approval of new work by the participating bodies may be made only by the Council or its Executive Committee.
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> " 'A participating body may approve the setting up of new work and/or the establishing of a new division or department and yet not participate in the work thus approved.
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> " 'For the undertaking of new work and/or the establishing of a new division or department, the approval of a majority of the participating bodies is sufficient.
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> " 'Elections of staff members are to be made by the Council or its Executive Committee upon nomination by the sub-division of the Council concerned.
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> " 'Titles implying the existence of a new division or department may not be assigned or assumed until such a division or department has been established.

" 'G. Financial Support.

" 'This new by-law requires that every action of the Council authorizing an expansion of its work shall specify the sources from which the required funds will come. In connection with proposals of new work, the transfer of work from emergency support to the regular budget or a change of status from a commission to a division or department, the proposal shall include an estimate of the budget involved in such work and shall indicate the share of support which shall be proportionately assignable to each participating body.' "

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 31. Date for Promises of Support for Types of Work Not Shared by All Participating Bodies of National Lutheran Council

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1949:

"Upon recommendation of the Budget Committee the Council voted:

> " 'In all cases where specific work is not supported by all of the participating bodies, the budget for the ensuing year shall be prepared upon the basis of agreements to participate, and promises of support, received by the executive director to October 1 of each year.'

"This action is a direct corollary of a provision in one of the new by-laws which requires that 'effort should be made to secure definite commitments in advance, if possible for a period of three years,' to make the financing of these phases of the Council's work more stable. This resolution is important to the participating bodies because it will make an exact calculation of the share of each participating body in each year's projected budget possible by the mid-autumn of the preceding year. The previous absence of such a regulation causes the United Lutheran Church to be confronted belatedly with increased budget askings for 1949 in spite of the fact that the Executive Board and the Allocation Commission believed that they had provided the necessary funds to meet our Church's full obligation to the National Lutheran Council for the present year. The fact that two small participating bodies announced during the Council's annual meeting that they would not participate in the activity budget of the Division of Student Service in 1949 compelled the re-allocation of that phase of the Council's budget."

In connection with the above report the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following recommendation which was adopted by the Executive Board.

"That the Executive Board notify the National Lutheran Council that unless a contrary notice is given to the Council before October 1 of any year, the United Lutheran Church will continue in the following year its participation in and financial support of all work of the National Lutheran Council in which our Church has previously participated."

### 32. All Lutheran Directory Not to be Printed by National Lutheran Council

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the following item from the report of the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests was received as information:

"In January 1948 the Executive Board requested 'the officers of the Church to explore the possibility of a comprehensive Lutheran directory.' The Division of Public Relations of the National Lutheran Council reported on estimates of the cost of such an all-Lutheran directory at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Council on January 31, 1949, as follows:

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| "(a) A reprint of the listings of pastors and congregations in the year books of the several church bodies without combining those lists for the National Lutheran Council as a whole | $ 7,500 |
| "(b) Complete integration of listings | 14,000 |
| "(c) Listing of names and locations of congregations alone, omitting the names of pastors | 8,000 |

"All of these estimates of cost were computed on the basis of a gratis distribution of directories to all pastors of National Lutheran Council churches. In the absence of any provision in the budget of the National Lutheran Council for financing this project, the Executive Committee of the Council received the three estimates as information and took no steps to propose any action."

### 33. Co-operation of Board of American Missions in Home Mission Training Schools Approved

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Board of American Missions (see its Minutes, February 17-19, 1949, p. 4620) requests 'the approval of the Executive Board of the Church to co-operate with the home missions boards of the National Lutheran Council in planning for the 1950 training schools or institutes with the understanding that the Board of American Missions will keep the Executive Board fully informed regarding plans formulated.' As a courteous introductory measure, the Board of American Missions contemplates 'inviting informal representatives of the home missions boards of the church bodies affiliated with the National Lutheran Council to attend our board's 1949 training schools.'

"The sharing of these well attended and effective schools with other Lutherans of the National Lutheran Council will be another proof of the United Lutheran Church's sense of comradeship with its sister bodies in the National Lutheran Council in the evangelization of America.

"This new measure of co-operation will heighten a spirit of solidarity among American Lutherans by multiplying personal friendships within its home mission forces. The readiness of other Lutheran church bodies in the National Lutheran Council to accept such an invitation seems to be assured. A proposal of this type was discussed at the annual Lutheran Home Missions Conference in Chicago, December 6-8, 1948, and according to the summary of the conclusions of that meeting, 'it was agreed that the bodies were ready to work with one another in the planning and development of home mission institutes or summer schools for home mission areas.' The Findings Committee of that conference made the following final recommendation which was adopted: 'The Lutheran Home Missions Conference endorsed the plan of conducting co-operative summer training schools for home missionaries.'

"The Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests RECOMMENDS the approval of this request of the Board of American Missions."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report and recommendation:

"The November 16, 1949, Minutes of the Board of American Missions record the fact that joint training schools or institutes for the home missionaries of all the participating bodies in the National Lutheran Council will not be held in 1950, contrary to the original plan which this Executive Board approved in April 1949. However, missionary training institutes of this type are definitely scheduled for the summer of 1951. Such training schools are to be six in number, one in each of six regions of the United States (p. 4732, Minutes, Board of American Missions, November 15-16, 1949).

"The Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board's approval of this activity during the summer of 1950 be extended to 1951."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 34. National Lutheran Council Treasurer's Report for Year 1949 Summarized

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1950:

"The report of Treasurer S. Frederick Telleen disclosed that The United Lutheran Church in America had paid its full share of the 1949 budget of the National Lutheran Council, contributing $150,343.50 out of a total of $310,606.49 received from all the participating bodies for this purpose.

"In addition, the United Lutheran Church discharged its obligation to the core budget of the Department on the Christian Approach to the Jewish People in the amount of $5,475.99. $5,600 was contributed as a supplemental gift for the same purpose.

"Receipts from the United Lutheran Church during 1949 for the Lutheran Student Center Fund amounted to $135,000."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 35. 1950 National Lutheran Council Resolutions Concerning U.S.A. Representation at the Vatican

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1950:

"The 1950 annual meeting of the National Lutheran Council strongly appealed to the President of the United States to terminate any diplomatic representation at the Vatican in these outspoken words:

> " 'Whereas, the resignation of Myron Taylor as the personal representative of the President of the United States at the Vatican reminds us again of the impropriety of such representation;
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> " 'THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: 1) That the National Lutheran Council hereby express its firm conviction that no one should be appointed successor to Mr. Taylor as representative of the President at the Vatican and that diplomatic relationship to the Vatican be terminated now.
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> " '2) That this expression of our conviction be respectfully communicated to the President of the United States.' "

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 36. Excellence of News Coverage of National Lutheran Council's 1950 Meeting

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1950:

"The increasing attention given to the Lutheran Church by the newspapers of America is worthy of note. At this meeting representatives of the press were present in unusually large numbers. Several reporters from the national news services and from the New York City newspapers made the trip to Minneapolis to report the proceedings first hand. Exceptionally well prepared advance news stories made reporting easy and their wide distribution to the newspapers of the country insured exceptional publicity for the work of the National Lutheran Council."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 37. Appreciation to the United Lutheran Church for Courtesies in Lutheran Church House

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1949:

"Now that the National Lutheran Council is about to move into its new headquarters and its long occupancy of space in the Lutheran Church House will be terminated soon, the 1950 annual meeting voted the following courteous resolution:

> " 'Whereas, the location of our offices in the Church House in New York City has made inevitable that the officers and staff of the United Lutheran Church must work under crowded conditions; and
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> " 'Whereas, the presence of our staff has been accepted by the officers of the United Lutheran Church with true Christian grace; and
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> " 'Whereas, the purchase of a new headquarters building by the National Lutheran Council will not only offer a symbol of our permanence as a National Lutheran Council but will also relieve the congestion in the Church House,
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> " 'THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That we hereby express our appreciation to the United Lutheran Church and its officers for their consideration and courtesy during the years that they have been our hosts and that we request the secretary of the National Lutheran Council to write a letter of appreciation to them.' "

This item was received as information.

### 38. Additional General Resolutions of 1950 Meeting

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1950:

*"Other general resolutions of the 1950 meeting of the National Lutheran Council expressed:*

(1) Unwavering confidence in and affection for Bishop Ordass of Budapest;
(2) Abhorrence of genocide;
(3) Endorsement of Lutheran World Relief Inc. and
(4) An exhortation to American Lutherans to respond liberally to the 1950 Lutheran World Action appeal."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 39. Lutheran World Action

#### (a) *Success in Lutheran World Action in 1948*

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the president reported as follows:

"To our profound joy and gratification the United Lutheran Church succeeded in achieving its complete 1948 quota for Lutheran World Action. A mighty effort during the final month brought complete triumph and was marked by inspiring and infectious loyalty. By January 15, 1949, the closing date, our Church's Lutheran World Action goal of $1,984,167.42 was contributed in full with an excess of $362.28. Our attainment completed the circle of victory in the National Lutheran Council since every one of its eight participating church bodies reached or surpassed 100 per cent for 1948."

This item was received as highly gratifying information by the Executive Board.

#### (b) *1948 Lutheran World Action Appeal—Distribution of Overage*

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1949:

"Thanks to the successful completion of the 1948 L.W.A. appeal for which a total of $4,097,991.75 was received, the National Lutheran Council was able to distribute to each of the various causes included in that budget the full sum assigned to it, with the single exception of the item of 'unallocated' funds totaling $300,000. This budget is printed on page 219 of the 1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes. After the total expenses of the 1948 appeal had been deducted, $100,000 from the remaining balance was assigned to the Orphaned Missions account to cover most of its operating deficit for 1948. The bulk of this deficit was incurred in the purchase of a new Lutheran Center and headquarters in Hong Kong which was compelled by the rapidly deteriorating political conditions in China. The Council decided to retain the remainder, in the amount of $31,516.18, as an operating balance in Lutheran World Action funds."

This item was received as information.

(c) *1949 Lutheran World Action Budget*

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1949:

"The total Lutheran World Action goal for 1949, as adopted at the annual meeting of the National Lutheran Council in 1948 and later ratified by our Church's Executive Board (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 219) is four million dollars. By action of this year's annual meeting, this total sum is to be allocated as follows:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| "I. *Functional Needs* | | | |
| Administration | $ 75,000 | | |
| Lutheran World Relief | 350,000 | | |
| American Bible Society | 100,000 | | |
| Co-operative Work | 100,000 | | |
| Orphaned Missions | 750,000 | | |
| Unallocated | 250,000 | | |
| | | | $1,625,000 |
| "II. *Church Rehabilitation in Europe* | | | 1,240,000 |
| "III. *Service to Displaced Persons and Refugees* | | | |
| Dr. Hong, Spiritual Service to Refugees | $135,000 | | |
| Dr. Herman, Resettlement Office, Geneva | 100,000 | (core) | |
| | 250,000 | (ocean trans.) | |
| Dr. Krumbholz, Resettlement Office, N. Y. | 150,000 | (core) | |
| | 50,000 | (child place.) | |
| | 250,000 | (inland trans.) | |
| Reserve | 200,000 | | |
| | | | 1,135,000 |
| | | Grand Total | $4,000,000" |

This item was received as information.

(For 1949 Budget of Canadian Lutheran World Action see VII, C, 2, p. 390, of this report.)

(d) *Lutheran World Action Letter Concerning 1949 Response*

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the President presented the following report:

"All of us were so disquieted last October at the gravely disturbing lag in Lutheran World Action receipts from our Church that this board requested the President to 'acquaint all the pastors of the United Lutheran Church with the inadequacy of contributions for Lutheran World Action in 1949. suggesting to the President that he correspond with presidents of all synods to secure their approval prior to this action.' (p. 412) Such a straightforward plea was mailed to all pastors on November 1, 1949, with the hearty endorsement of the synodical presidents. To reinforce the impact of the President's appeal and in an attempt to stimulate supplementary giving to Lutheran World Action from Sunday school treasuries, a similar letter was sent out soon afterwards to all Sunday school superintendents by Executive Secretary S. White Rhyne of the Parish and Church School Board on his own helpful initiative. It is impossible to gauge how effective these measures proved to be, whether some good was accomplished or not.

"The sad and humiliating fact is that, in spite of these efforts and the much stronger exertions of thousands of loyal pastors and congregations in our Church, the United Lutheran Church has failed by a depressingly wide margin to reach its assigned goal in the 1949 L.W.A. appeal. Our Lutheran World Action contributions for 1949 totaled $1,861,842.59 out of an assigned quota of $1,950,058.70, leaving a shortage of $88,216.11. Our only consolation is that the generosity of several of our sister church bodies in oversubscribing their quotas has enabled the National Lutheran Council as a whole to reach its four million dollar goal."

This item was received as information.

### (*e*) *Lutheran World Action—Final Report for 1949*

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Treasurer reported as follows:

LUTHERAN WORLD ACTION—1949

*Final Report*

| Church Body | U.S. Goal | U.S.A. Receipts | % | Canada Receipts | Total | % |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| U.L.C.A. | $1.950,058.70 | $1,803,669.94 | 92.4 | $58,132.53 | $1,861,802.47 | 95.4 |
| *E.L.C. | 749,116.44 | 799,116.44 | 106.6 | 14,712.42 | 813,828.86 | 108.6 |
| *A.L.C. | 685,194.42 | 689,337.65 | 100.6 | 11,742.51 | 701,080.16 | 102.3 |
| *Aug. L.C. | 457,731.60 | 458,208.99 | 100.1 | 3,585.99 | 461,794.98 | 100.8 |
| *L.F.C. | 59,776.41 | 59,796.51 | 100.0 | 667.43 | 60,463.94 | 101.1 |
| †U.E.L.C. | 43,474.17 | 42,088.28 | 96.7 | 1,388.25 | 43,476.53 | 100.0 |
| F.S. | 32,815.47 | 27,045.00 | 82.4 | ........ | 27,045.00 | 82.4 |
| Dan. L.C. | 21,832.79 | 19,309.50 | 88.4 | ........ | 19,309.50 | 88.4 |
| Undes. | ...... | 24,874.41 | .... | ........ | 24,874.41 | .... |
| Totals | $4,000,000.00 | $3,923,446.72 | 98.0 | $90,229.13 | $4,013,675.85 | 100.3 |

*United Lutheran Church Synods*

| Synod | U.S. Goal | U.S. Receipts | Canada Goal | Canada Receipts | % |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *California | $ 26,814.76 | $ 26,910.40 | | | 100.3 |
| Central Penna. | 318,497.98 | 293,383.86 | | | 92.1 |
| *Florida | 4,896.10 | 5,043.23 | | | 103.0 |
| *Georgia-Alabama | 8,309.35 | 11,889.75 | | | 143.0 |
| Illinois | 90,521.29 | 87,089.38 | | | 96.2 |
| Indiana | 36,370.36 | 36,184.53 | | | 99.5 |
| Iowa | 28,987.79 | 25,591.85 | | | 88.2 |
| Kansas | 17,691.65 | 14,268.66 | | | 80.6 |
| *Kentucky-Tenn. | 10,605,95 | 11,738.43 | | | 110.6 |
| Maryland | 96,327.58 | 95,815.53 | | | 99.4 |
| *Michigan | 16,519.24 | 16,920.28 | | | 102.4 |
| *Midwest | 23,915.38 | 27,451.00 | | | 114.7 |
| Mississippi | 1,074.46 | 792.42 | | | 73.7 |
| Nebraska | 33,617.15 | 24,941.16 | | | 74.1 |
| New York | 261,560.70 | 227,285.83 | | | 86.8 |
| *North Carolina | 58,695.90 | 59,109.15 | | | 100.7 |
| *Northwest | 92,635.54 | 95,412.89 | | | 102.9 |
| Ohio | 133,528.29 | 131,413.29 | | | 98.4 |
| *Pacific | 9,986.59 | 9,986.59 | | | 100.0 |
| Penna. Ministerium | 367,344.43 | 306,438.52 | | | 83.4 |
| *Pittsburgh | 156,623.87 | 156,729.94 | | | 100.0 |
| *Rocky Mountain | 6,279.48 | 6,989.22 | | | 111.3 |
| Slovak Zion | 22,408.42 | 7,110.58 | | | 31.7 |
| South Carolina | 41,839.10 | 36,243.29 | | | 86.6 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Texas | 9,771.10 | 7,960.31 | | | 81.4 |
| Virginia | 38,793.55 | 37,551.01 | | | 96.7 |
| Wartburg | 27,476.31 | 23,611.11 | | | 85.9 |
| *West Virginia | 8,966.38 | 9,030.90 | | | 100.7 |
| *Canada | | | $ 36,608.00 | $ 36,700.00 | 100.2 |
| Icelandic | | 800.00 | | | |
| Nova Scotia | | | 5,838.00 | 4,948.28 | 84.7 |
| Western Canada | | | 18,086.00 | 16,484.25 | 91.1 |
| Miscellaneous | | 9,976.83 | | | |

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* — over the top
† — over the top, including Canadian receipts

(f) *Redistribution of 1949 L.W.A. Receipts*

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1950:

"The deficit of $78,847.02 in giving toward the $4,000,000 Lutheran World Action budget in the United States during 1949, which the United Lutheran Church's own deficit of $146,388.76 accounted for in toto, compelled reductions in the original budget figures in the following amounts:

"I. *Functional Needs*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Administration | deduct | $30,000.00 |
| Lutheran World Relief | deduct | 6,250.00 |
| American Bible Society | deduct | 10,000.00 |
| Co-operative Work | deduct | 16,750.00 |
| Unallocated—eliminate | | |

"II. *Church Rehabilitation in Europe—no change*

"III. *Service to Displaced Persons and Refugees*

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|---|---|---|
| Resettlement, Geneva | deduct | 12,000.00 |
| Resettlement, New York | deduct | 3,847.02 |
| Total Deductions | | $78,847.02" |

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

(g) *1950 Lutheran World Action Goal*

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report and recommendation to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1949:

"The goal for the 1950 Lutheran World Action appeal was the subject of spirited discussion in the Council. That the needs for aid would be far above any financial support the Council churches could provide was unanimously conceded. A goal of $3,200,000 was adopted as the expressed judgment of the Council as to the highest figure that would be within the reach of the Council churches.

"The following resolutions, presented by the Resolution Committee, were adopted:

" 'Whereas the fellowship of suffering and sharing is a practical expression of the fellowship of faith; and

" 'Whereas the world-wide Christian witness of our Church through emergency deeds of mercy and lovingkindness continues to hold a first claim on our praying and giving; and

" 'Whereas the blessings and benefits which our congregations enjoy should impel them as those who are strong to bear the burdens of those who are weak; and

> " 'Whereas in recent years our people, by their compassion and generosity, have shown that they recognize in Lutheran World Action a clear call of the heart of God to their hearts:
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> " 'Be it resolved that, first having solemnly renewed our own commitment, we call upon the congregations of the National Lutheran Council churches: to support with loving liberality the causes represented by Lutheran World Action in 1949; and to thank God without ceasing for the opportunity which is ours through Lutheran World Action to demonstrate that the Lord's compassions fail not.'

"RECOMMENDATION: Your councilors recommend to the Executive Board, (as required by Section VIII, Item 5 of the By-laws of the United Lutheran Church) that a goal of $3,200,000 for the 1950 Lutheran World Action Appeal be approved."

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following recommendation:

"The Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board ratify a goal of $3,200,000 for the 1950 Lutheran World Action appeal."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### (*h*) *1950 Lutheran World Action Budget*

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1950:

"The total Lutheran World Action goal for 1950, as adopted by the annual meeting of the National Lutheran Council in 1949 and later ratified by our Church's Executive Board (see item [g] immediately above) is $3,200,000. By action of this year's annual meeting, this total sum is to be allocated as follows:

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|---|---|
| "*European Allocations | $ 520,000 |
| Service to Refugees—Geneva | 600,000 |
| Resettlement Service—New York | 775,000 |
| Orphaned Missions | 675,000 |
| Lutheran World Relief | 150,000 |
| Unallocated | 200,000 |
| Co-operative Work | 80,000 |
| American Bible Society | 50,000 |
| USA. Committee Administration* | 150,000 |
| | $3,200,000 |

" * 'This item includes a number of projects directly under the supervision of the New York or Geneva offices which properly should not be charged to administration. A breakdown of this figure will be presented at an early meeting of the USA National Committee.' "

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

For 1950 Canadian Lutheran World Action Budget see VII, C, 3, p. 391, of this report.

### (*i*) *Church School Materials Related to Lutheran World Action*

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report and recommendation:

"On June 22, 1949, the Parish and Church School Board voted: 'That the Board requests the Executive Board to approve the participation of the Parish and Church School Board in conferences to be called by the National Lutheran Council for the consideration of church materials related to Lutheran World Action.'

"Ever since the publication of a series of vacation church school lessons by the National Lutheran Council in the summer of 1948 as a promotional activity for Lutheran World Action, a question has been raised as to the propriety of this procedure. Our Parish and Church School Board was particularly concerned because this action seemed to touch that board's area of responsibility. The proposed conference is now being called by the National Lutheran Council largely in deference to this feeling. The general question of a right integration of Lutheran World Action materials with those published for Sunday school use by all the participating bodies of the National Lutheran Council is also to be canvassed at the same time.

"The Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board authorize the Parish and Church School Board to participate in the requested conference, at the same time reminding all concerned of this board's expressed conviction 'that promotional materials of any character should be used only in an illustrative way in our Bible schools and should not supplant instruction in the Word of God and the facts of our faith.'"

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

(j) *Tenth Anniversary of Lutheran World Action*

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April, 1950:

"The 1950 annual meeting of the National Lutheran Council signalized the tenth anniversary of Lutheran World Action; a mood of thanksgiving to God for the marvelous way in which the Holy Spirit has aroused and enriched Lutherans in America through Lutheran World Action tinged this year's entire sessions.

"Executive Director Empie summarized this monumental achievement and expressed this spirit of gratitude in the following paragraphs of his report:

"'It would seem worth while to insert for the record our ten-year statistics of L.W.A. receipts in the United States and Canada:

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|---|---|
| 1939-'40 | $ 383,000.00 |
| 1941 | 400,966.65 |
| 1942 | 622,668.20 |
| 1943 | 1,319,723.70 |
| 1944 | 1,536,128.22 |
| 1945 | 2,342,337.28 |
| 1946-'47 | 10,502,356.42 |
| 1948 | 4,097,991.75 |
| 1949 | 4,013,675.85 |
| | $25,218,848.07 |

"'Added to this should be the total L.W.R. receipts with an estimated cash value of $11,135,186.00 and the larger part of C.L.W.R. receipts valued at hundreds of thousands of dollars. This is an impressive total! Its beneficial effect upon millions around the globe, suffering physically or spiritually, directly and indirectly, from war's effects, is beyond human computation.

"'Just as significant has been L.W.A.'s blessing to *us*. It has been a decade of revelation in this respect. In contrast to traditional procedures of our church bodies in dealing with one another in this country, we moved swiftly, boldly, and with imagination in attacking our overseas responsibilities. The results exceeded our wildest expectations! As a result we have learned afresh (1) the amazing extent to which the potential which exists within our churches can be realized when, in faith, we let God use us, and (2) how much more can be accomplished co-operatively than separately. Depending upon the way in which we continue to benefit by these lessons

> in future years, they alone should be worth the price of the L.W.A. effort. Their dividends have already been substantial.' "

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

*(k) Continuation of Lutheran World Action Appeal in Reformation Season, 1950*

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"At the meeting of the U.L.C.A. directors for Lutheran World Action and the presidents of synods in Chicago on March 29, 1950, the view was expressed that the intensive promotion of the CHEY program during the first four months of 1950 will make it difficult for many pastors to present an adequate appeal for LWA in the month of May. Careful consideration was given by those attending the meeting to the possibility of setting aside a second period during 1950 when a concerted emphasis could be given to the cause of L.W.A.

"It was reported that one or more synods are already laying plans for such a second appeal period during the Reformation season. This appears to be a desirable and appropriate time for such a concentrated consideration of Lutheran World Action for at least three reasons:

"a. several synods have designated the Reformation season in past years as a special period for gathering funds for the support of their educational institutions. A special period for this purpose appears to be unnecessary in this Christian Higher Education Year;

"b. the presentation of L.W.A. at the convention of the Church in Des Moines would be excellently timed for the purpose;

"c. fresh material gathered during summer conferences in Europe could be made most effective at such a time.

"Executive Director Empie has indicated in a letter to President Fry that he is in complete agreement with the U.L.C.A. directors for L.W.A. and the presidents of synods who have sensed the need for an additional appeal.

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board approve the suggestion of the U.L.C.A. directors for Lutheran World Action and the presidents of synods, to set aside the Reformation season for an intensive church-wide appeal in behalf of L.W.A."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

*(l) 1951 Lutheran World Action Goal*

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1950:

"The 1950 meeting of the National Lutheran Council unanimously adopted $2,900,000 as the 1951 Lutheran World Action goal. Our commission requests the Executive Board's endorsement as required by Section VIII, Item 5, of the By-laws of the United Lutheran Church."

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following recommendation:

"The Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board ratify a goal of $2,900,000 for the 1951 Lutheran World Action appeal."

This recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

(*m*) *Future Lutheran World Action Goals*

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report and recommendation to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1950:

"Earnest and intensive thought was devoted to the future course of Lutheran World Action beyond 1951. The report of Executive Director Empie urged impressively on the National Lutheran Council the need for longer-range planning than has been customary in the past. Dr. Empie listed several compelling calls which will continue to come to the American Lutheran churches for years to come:

> " '—Our commitment to the Orphaned Missions, which may last from five to ten years.
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> " '—Subsidy to the Lutheran World Federation until it becomes a vigorous, self-sustaining organization. I doubt that substantial extra financial support can be tapered off prior to 1957.
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> " '—Need for continued assistance to war-disrupted churches in Western Europe, especially in Germany and Austria, with special attention to projects stimulating development in stewardship, evangelism, youth work, lay activities and community responsibility.
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> " '—The plight of our brethren behind the Iron Curtain, for whom such help as is possible must be sent and reserves for the future must be built up.
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> " '—The untenable refugee and expellee problem, toward the solution of which the Church must contribute some leadership, especially in the form of "pilot projects." '
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> " '—The continued difficulties of minority churches, diaspora groups, and "younger churches," for whom strategic aid in the next few years may tip the balance for a healthy and secure future.'

"In the conviction that the fulfillment of such responsibilities is an essential part of discipleship in our day, not distinguishable in motivation from such Christian activity as missions, education or works of mercy, the 1950 annual meeting formally voted with conviction that:

> " 'The Council proposed to the participating bodies that beginning with the year 1954 special Lutheran World Action appeals by the National Lutheran Council be discontinued and that the participating bodies be requested to agree in principle to place on their regular budgets, beginning in 1954 and thereafter, their proportionate shares of the funds determined upon by the National Lutheran Council as needed for the purpose heretofore served by Lutheran World Action, with the understanding that the total amount requested from the participating bodies for this purpose in 1954 will not exceed $1,200,000.'

*"It is the intention of your commission to recommend to the 1950 convention of the Church the adoption of this budgetary plan for 1954 and thereafter.* (See Recommendation No. 3 of 1950 Report of U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council, p. 952.)

"The Lutheran World Action goals for 1952 and 1953 were tentatively set at $2,500,000 and $2,000,000 respectively."

### 40. Lutheran Resettlement Service for Displaced Persons

(*a*) *Spiritual Care of Resettled Displaced Persons*

At the April 1949 meeting the Executive Board received as information the following report of the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests:

"After an extended analysis of the most desirable procedures at the annual meeting of the National Lutheran Council and by its Executive Committee on April 1, 1949, the Executive Committee of the Council adopted a plan for the spiritual care of displaced persons in America and their integration into Lutheran Church life in the United States. This plan recognizes that the primary responsibility for a ministry to immigrating displaced persons rests upon the church bodies themselves and upon their boards of home missions. The Division of American Missions of the National Lutheran Council will aid the churches by referring new arrivals to the nearest Lutheran congregations, by co-ordinating home mission activities of the participating bodies among resettled displaced persons principally by indicating localities into which a ministry of this type needs to be extended, and by providing some literature.

"Displaced person pastors are normally to be selected and brought to the U.S.A. by the participating bodies rather than by the National Lutheran Council itself. In every case such DP pastors are to be 'subject to the authority of the church body which has sponsored their entrance into the United States.' Even in the infrequent instances in which such pastors are brought to the United States directly for service under the National Lutheran Council, the legal assurance for their coming shall be provided by one of the church bodies of the Council. Only two such cases are contemplated at present. The Resettlement Service of the Council here in America will assist in securing from the Lutheran World Federation staff abroad recommendations and an appraisal of the probable effectiveness of DP pastors for participating bodies which desire to call any of them for service in the Lutheran Church in America. The Resettlement Service will also ascertain the ecclesiastical standing of pastors of the Baltic churches in exile from their archbishops.

"Although these arrangements apply only to the United States since the National Lutheran Council is an agency for the United States alone, it is hoped that similar arrangements will be adopted for Canada."

### (b) *State Committees for Resettlement of Displaced Persons*

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following items:

"On April 1, 1949, the Executive Committee of the National Lutheran Council constituted a Resettlement Supervisory Committee and instructed it 'to study the present set-up of state committees and to recommend such changes as will place the responsibility for the direction of our NLC resettlement program at the state level in the hands of state committees made up of representatives nominated by the officers of the NLC Participating Bodies, or by the officers of the local synods or conferences of those bodies.'

"Hitherto in the interests of swift progress in resettling displaced persons and because of an ambiguity as to possible joint action by the National Lutheran Council and the Emergency Planning Council of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, state committees have sometimes included persons from both groups. Information was received at this meeting of the Executive Committee of the National Lutheran Council that the Emergency Planning Council of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod had decided not to join in the resettlement program. The action quoted above was the result."

This item was received as information.

### (c) *1949 Report of Commissioners to National Lutheran Council*

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report and recommendation to the

Executive Board at its meeting in April 1949:

"(i) The presidents of the participating bodies in the Council were requested to commend to their congregations a faithful participation in the resettlement of displaced persons to the end that: (1) employment and housing assurances will continue to be offered in increasing volume, (2) a Christian welcome will be extended to displaced persons as they arrive, and (3) every effort will be made to receive them into our congregations as members of our household of faith.

"(ii) The National Lutheran Council designated Sunday, May 1, 1949, as a day on which all congregations within the participating bodies are to be requested to give special recognition to the resettlement of Lutheran displaced persons.

"NOTE: In order to obviate an unintentional conflict with major plans of another participating body of the National Lutheran Council, the date of this day of special recognition has been postponed to May 15 by common consent."

(*d*) *1950 Report of Commissioners to National Lutheran Council*

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board:

"The National Lutheran Council faced the gravely disquieting fact that the 1950 budget of the Lutheran Resettlement Service in the United States reaches the huge sum of $1,459,577 of which only $1,045,000 will be available for expenditure from (1) 1950 L.W.A. receipts (if this year's goal is fully achieved), (2) resettlement reserves from previous years, and (3) $20,000 transferred from earlier balances of the Division of Welfare.

"In a determined effort to avoid crushing deficits by the end of 1950, the National Lutheran Council voted:

> "'(1) That effective as of the earliest possible date nominated assurances (designating a specific displaced person in Europe) be accepted only when inland transportation is provided; (this resolution went into effect on February 13, 1950)
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> "'(2) That we instruct the Lutheran Resettlement Service to approach those who have given nominated assurances with reference to repayment of loans made to the resettled persons they have designated; and
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> "'(3) That we instruct the staff of the Lutheran Resettlement Service to submit a monthly financial statement regarding receipts from payment of loans to the Executive Director and he, in turn, transmit it to the members of the Executive Committee.'

"Heavy repayments of transportation loans either by resettled persons themselves or by their sponsors offers the only substantial hope for closing the ominously wide gap in the 1950 resettlement budget in the United States."

"(iii) The National Lutheran Council approved the co-operation of the Resettlement Service with the Division of American Missions in ministering to displaced persons after they have been resettled. The Executive Committee of the Council was instructed to determine the manner and extent of this co-operation. The Division of Student Service is also to aid the Resettlement Service by enlisting the interest of students in this program.

"(iv) After animated discussion the Council declared itself regarding amendments to the present displaced persons law. It decided to make representations to the Congress asking:

> " '1. That the mortgaging of future immigration quotas be eliminated.
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> " '2. That the number of displaced persons to be admitted during the period from July 1, 1948 to July 1, 1952, be increased to 400,000.
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> " '3. That the Attorney General be given power of discretion for the issuance of permanent resident status for 15,000 displaced persons now in the United States on visitors' visas.
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> " '4. That the cut-off date be changed from December 22, 1945 to April 21, 1947, at the same time according priority rights to those persons who have been longest in DP camps.
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> " '5. That provision be made for the admission of expellees who do not qualify as displaced persons.
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> " '6. That immigration processes be speeded up in order to close the gap in the time between the issuance of assurances and the arrival of the candidates for such assurances.
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> " '7. That the age limit for admission of displaced orphans be changed from 16 to 18 years.
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> " '8. That such Balts as have arrived on our shores from Sweden and are now residents of the United States be admitted as legal immigrants.'

"The Executive Committee is to take under advisement the plight of the Baltic peoples in Sweden."

"The Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests Recommends that the Executive Board call upon all congregations in the United Lutheran Church to give special recognition on Sunday, May 15, to the needs of Lutheran displaced persons for resettlement and spiritual care in concert with all other congregations of the National Lutheran Council churches."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### (*e*) *Amended U. S. Displaced Persons Law*

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board:

"The debate in the United States Senate about an extended displaced persons law was approaching an acute stage during the sessions of the National Lutheran Council in Minneapolis on January 31-February 3, 1950. It will be recalled that the 1949 annual meeting of the National Lutheran Council urged eight specific proposals for the amendment of the 1948 displaced persons law of the United States. (Executive Board Minutes, April 1949, pp. 188-189.) Under a sense of the increasing urgency of this issue the Council voted in Minneapolis to 'send a petition to Congress, urging it to enact an amended and extended displaced persons law which will provide that the continuing program be more fully a government operation, including the payment of inland transportation from government funds and offer private agencies the opportunity to render supplementary services as needed.'

"On the following day a supplementary resolution was adopted advocating 'the broadening of the definition of displaced persons which is included in the proposed legislation before the Senate.' "

## 41. 1950 Meeting's Resolution Concerning Expellee Problem

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1950:

"As the organ of its participating churches, the National Lutheran Council raised its voice to arouse the conscience of the American public regarding the plight of expellees in Central Europe as follows:

> "'Whereas, the presence in Germany and Austria of several million people who have been expelled from their homelands creates urgent economic and social problems which are growing in intensity; and
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> "'Whereas, the scope and seriousness of the situation indicate the need for co-operative international action; and
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> "'Whereas, our government, by participating in the decisions sanctioning the forced migrations of populations, shares moral responsibility to seek an effective solution to the expellee problem;
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> "'Therefore be it RESOLVED: That the National Lutheran Council respectfully urge the Congress, the State Department, and the Economic Co-operation Administration to do everything in their power, both directly and in co-operation with other nations, to deal constructively with the expellee problem through assimilation of expellees into the German and Austrian economy and through the emigration of some of them to other countries.'"

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 42. Emergency Needs in Palestine Drawn to Attention of Church World Service

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1949:

"The Council voted to call the attention of Church World Service to the emergency needs in Palestine, requesting it to ask its member churches to give generously for this cause."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 43. Relationship of National Lutheran Council to Church World Service

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1949:

"The National Lutheran Council resolved to 'continue its co-operation in Church World Service, Inc.' and elected Dr. Empie as its representative in the latter corporation for the year 1949."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 44. Proposed New "Division on Latin America" of the National Lutheran Council

*(a) Negotiations to June 1950*

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its meeting in April 1949:

*Lutheran Missions in Mexico, Central and South America*

"As long ago as April 1945 the Executive Board of our Church proposed 'a joint Lutheran approach to the problems of Lutheran Missions in Mexico, Central America and South America.' At its annual meeting in 1946 the National Lutheran Council made provision for the appointment of a special committee to weigh this proposal. In October

1946 the actual composition of a joint committee for this purpose was decided on. (1946 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 201-202) In spite of the fact that the membership of this committee was appointed and re-appointed at a later time, no meeting was ever held.

"At the 1949 sessions of the National Lutheran Council the following motion was adopted:

> " 'NEW COMMITTEE OF LATIN AMERICAN MISSIONS
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> " 'That, in response to the request of the United Lutheran Church received some years ago, the Council now reply that it does not seem advisable at the present time to appoint such a committee.'

"Councilors from our own Church advocated this course because of the substantial changes in Latin American missions which have occurred since the idea was initiated. One such significant change has been the organization of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Argentina. This is now an associate synod of the United Lutheran Church. In consequence our Church does not have any mission operations in South America which could be transferred to the National Lutheran Council at this time. Further complications have arisen in other church bodies so that the present seems an unpropitious time for this move."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report and recommendations:

"The following is an excerpt from an official communication under date of January 12, 1950, from Dr. Paul C. Empie, Executive Director of the National Lutheran Council, regarding a possible new 'Division on Latin America of the National Lutheran Council':

> " 'At the January 6 meeting of the Executive Committee of the National Lutheran Council, careful attention was given to Lutheran activities in Latin America. The discussion revealed several weighty reasons why it might be profitable for the National Lutheran Council to formulate a new constructive plan of action looking toward the founding or the strengthening of Lutheran churches in that strategic area of the world, towards which North American Christians have a clear responsibility.
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> " 'Several factors must sharpen our concern:
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> " '1. Through the aid of Lutheran World Action and otherwise, thousands of Lutherans are settling in Latin American countries. Unless pastoral and congregational care is provided, most of them will disappear from the ranks of the faith, lost to secularism or absorbed by a decadent Roman Catholic Church.
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> " '2. As a result of the severance of their ties with Germany during the war and of a new heightened impulse toward autonomy since 1945, immigrant churches of a Lutheran character in Latin America are achieving independence of their mother churches and are becoming more conscious that their destinies lie in the countries in which they are situated. *At this particular time,* questions affecting their allegiance to the Lutheran confessions and their relationship to the Lutheran World Federation are being determined.
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> " '3. Roman Catholic countermeasures to Protestant activities in Latin America have increased the difficulties of Lutheran evangelization in some areas there. Isolated mission operations lack the protection which would result from a united front.
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> " 'The Council's Executive Committee felt certain that *timing is of supreme importance in this matter.* If our Participating Bodies are to make a concerted and constructive impact upon these problems, definite steps should not be long delayed. Such steps might include:
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> > " '—united action to strengthen established congregations or to organize new ones in important centers in Latin American countries where Lutherans now live or in which they are arriving.

" '—a constructive combination of spiritual care to immigrating Lutheran DPs and refugees with mission activities among the native-born population, with the intent of establishing indigenous Lutheran churches in each country concerned.

" '—the sending of a commissioner to Latin America to study the needs of the Lutheran churches and missions already established there and if possible nuclei for future Lutheran congregations there with a view to encouraging closer ties with us and with the Lutheran World Federation. The activities of such a commissioner might lead to the formation of a Latin American Lutheran Council, called and organized with our financial aid, composed of churches affiliated with the Lutheran World Federation.

" '—the provision of necessary funds for all these operations through proportionate contributions from the Participating Bodies. Certain phases of this work, principally centering around resettlement of DPs and refugees could be legitimately supported by L.W.A. funds for a few years.

" 'Obviously such a significant venture would by necessity be co-operative and would involve the pooling of resources.

" 'The Executive Committee of the N.L.C. recognizes that here is an area where the formation of a new division of the Council might bring immense blessings to the future of Lutheranism in America. The Executive Committee therefore instructed the Executive Director to poll the presidents on the following questions:

" '*Would your church body be interested in participating in a Division on Latin America of the N.L.C., to accomplish the aims listed above, upon presentation of an acceptable plan for the administration and financing of such work?*

" '*Does your church body at present have mission work in Latin America? If so, is there a probability that your church body will be willing to transfer such mission work to the supervision of such a division?*

" 'Since time is vital, it would be desirable to place this matter before the N.L.C. at its Annual Meeting.'

"The Executive Board will recall that in April 1945 this Board expressed itself to the National Lutheran Council 'in favor of a joint Lutheran approach to the problem of Lutheran missions in Mexico, Central America and South America.' (1946 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 201-202.) A joint committee of the National Lutheran Council, the then American Section of the Executive Committee of the Lutheran World Convention and the Lutheran Foreign Missions Conference was appointed to examine into this proposal. Due to various vicissitudes this committee never met.

"In reviewing the pending actions which it had inherited from the American Section of the Executive Committee of the Lutheran World Convention, the 1948 annual meeting of the National Lutheran Council, acting as the U.S.A. National Committee for the Lutheran World Federation, was reminded of the above proposal from the United Lutheran Church. It thereupon voted 'that continued attention be given to the study of problems in connection with Lutheran work in Latin America' and that a new committee should be appointed for this purpose. At last in 1949, three years after this idea had been initiated, the National Lutheran Council finally disposed of the proposal, or believed that it was doing so, by voting, 'That in response to the request of the United Lutheran Church received some years ago, the Council now reply that it does not seem advisable at the present time to appoint such a committee.'

"The pressing communication from Executive Director Empie which is now before us revives this issue with a new urgency.

"The Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board in the name of the United Lutheran Church reply in the affirmative to the first question, to wit:

> " 'Would your church body be interested in participating in a Division on Latin America of the N.L.C., to accomplish the aims listed above, upon presentation of an acceptable plan for the administration and financing of such work?', at the same time expressing its preference for a more limited and accurate name for such a proposed new division."

This recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"The Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests Recommends further that the Executive Board in the name of the United Lutheran Church reply to the second question in the above communication that our Church does not have mission work in Latin America which it would be 'willing to transfer . . . to the supervision of such a division,' inasmuch as our Church's mission congregations in Puerto Rico are under the American flag and the congregations in our former mission field in Argentina now form an autonomous church under the name of the United Evangelical Lutheran Church in Argentina."

This recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"Since the accepted procedures of the National Lutheran Council require that a formal proposal for the establishment of a new division must be received in writing from one or more of the participating bodies of this Council, the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests Recommends that this Executive Board, in the name of The United Lutheran Church in America formally propose to the National Lutheran Council at its 1950 annual meeting the establishment under an appropriate name of a new division of the Council:

"(1) for interchurch aid to Lutheran churches in South America,

"(2) for the establishment or strengthening of congregations to serve Lutheran immigrants into Mexico, Central America and the Spanish and Portuguese-speaking portions of South America, and

"(3) for mission work among the indigenous populations in the same nations and areas."

This recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

Through the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests, the U.L.C.A. Commission to the National Lutheran Council presented the following report to the Executive Board at its April 1950 meeting:

"At its January 1950 meeting the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church proposed to the National Lutheran Council, 'the establishment under an appropriate name of a new division of the Council:

> " '1) for interchurch aid to Lutheran churches in South America,
>
> " '2) for the establishment or strengthening of congregations to serve Lutheran immigrants into Mexico, Central America and the Spanish and Portuguese-speaking portions of South America, and
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> " '3) for mission work among the indigenous populations in the same nations and areas.'

"The minutes of the annual meeting read: 'After considerable discussion, it was voted to amend the proposal by substituting the term "commission" for "division." Dr. Fry made it clear for the record that in this form the action could not be construed as being a fulfillment of the request of the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church.' It was therefore voted:

> " 'That a communication be sent to The United Lutheran Church in America informing that body that the Council does not see fit to initiate action at this session to set up the Division for which it has asked, but that it has

> initiated action which it expects will enable it in due time to give a definite answer, affirmative or negative, to the proposal of The United Lutheran Church in America.'

"The following substitute for the proposal of the United Lutheran Church was adopted:

> " 'Resolved that the National Lutheran Council express its interest in the formation of a Commission on Latin America, and request the participating bodies to act on approval in principle in the establishment of such a commission in accordance with a general outline of its character and functions submitted in connection with this inquiry.'

"The Executive Committee has been instructed 'to prepare and submit, along with this proposal, detailed information in regard to the functioning of such a commission in order that proper action may be taken at the church conventions.'

"Further steps by the Executive Board can await the receipt of this supplementary information."

This item was received as information.

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report and recommendations:

"At the initiative of the Executive Director of the National Lutheran Council the Executive Committee of the Council on March 30, 1950, reviewed at length the actions of the 1950 annual meeting with regard to a proposed Division on Latin America. The Executive Committee unanimously agreed with Dr. Empie's written comments in the agenda that the decisions reached in Minneapolis at the annual meeting 'do not reflect satisfactory thinking on this subject. The proposal to set up a commission does not provide an adequate solution toward the objectives in regard to which co-operative work seems necessary.' As a result the following new approach to this pressing question was agreed upon:

> " 'I. That the matter of co-operative work in Latin America be transmitted to the participating bodies in the following form:
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> " 'The actions of the National Lutheran Council at its last meeting concerning co-operative work in Latin America were as follows:
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>> " '1. "Resolved: That the National Lutheran Council express its interest in the formation of a Commission on Latin America, and request the participating bodies to act on approval in principle in the establishment of such a commission in accordance with a general outline of its character and functions submitted in connection with this inquiry.
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>> " '2. "Voted: That the Executive Committee be instructed to prepare and submit along with this proposal, detailed information in regard to the functioning of such a commission in order that proper action may be taken at the church conventions.
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>> " '3. "Voted: That a communication be sent to The United Lutheran Church in America informing that body that the Council does not see fit to initiate action at this session to set up the Division for which it has asked but that it has initiated action which it expects will enable it in due time to give a definite answer, affirmative or negative, to the proposal of The United Lutheran Church in America." '
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> " 'The third of these actions implies that the first and second actions concerning a Commission on Latin America will eventuate in a definite answer to the proposal of the United Lutheran Church concerning a Division on Latin America. For this reason it seems probable that the participating bodies, in considering the principle of establishing a Commission, will raise questions not only concerning the necessity of their acting on the establish-

> ment of a Commission but also concerning the eventual establishment of a Division if a Commission is established at this time.
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> " 'Further consideration of this matter by the Executive Committee has made it appear desirable that the participating bodies should consider as soon as possible the advisability of establishing a Division rather than a Commission on Latin America.
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> " 'The Executive Committee, therefore, in carrying out its instructions from the Council in the second action cited above, suggests to the participating bodies that, if they see fit, they consider in principle the establishing by the Council of either a Commission or a Division on Latin America.
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> " 'II. That in order that the participating bodies may have at hand information which will help them in their consideration of establishing either a Commission or a Division,
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> > " '1. The Executive Committee appoint a special committee with instructions to:
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> > > " '(a) Prepare "detailed information in regard to the functioning of such a Commission" and similar detailed information in regard to the functioning of such a Division, together with a plan of operation for each and the probable budget of each.
> > >
> > > " '(b) Submit this information to the participating bodies "in order that proper action may be taken at the church conventions." ' "

This item was received as information.

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report:

### DETAILED INFORMATION CONCERNING DIVISION ON LUTHERAN CO-OPERATION IN LATIN AMERICA

"The Special Committee of the Executive Committee of the National Lutheran Council which was empowered to compile 'detailed information in regard to the functioning of such a Commission (on Latin America)' and similar detailed information in regard to the functioning of a Division on Latin America, and to submit all necessary facts clearly and completely to the participating bodies 'in order that proper action may be taken at the church conventions,' has filed its report as follows:

> " 'Report of the Special Committee Appointed to draw up Details of Operation of a Division on Lutheran Co-operation in Latin America.
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> " 'The National Lutheran Council, at its 1950 annual meeting, voted to ask the participating bodies to act on approval in principle in regard to the establishment of a Commission on Latin America. A description of the work of such a Commission was left in the hands of the Executive Committee.
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> " 'In discussing this subject, the Executive Committee came to the conclusion that it is not feasible to consider a Commission on Latin America apart from the likelihood that a permanent program would develop, which according to the procedures of the National Lutheran Council, would call for the establishment of a *Division.* A special committee was appointed to prepare detailed information in regard to the functioning of a *Commission and also of a Division* on Latin America, including a plan of operation and an illustrative budget for each. The following material is submitted in fulfillment of the Executive Committee's instructions.
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> " 'This operation involves a number of different kinds of work, and requires careful study. It would include in its scope existing mission work; spiritual care of new and often scattered Lutheran settlers in areas where no Lutheran churches exist, resulting sometimes in the organization of congregations; working relationships with existing independent Lutheran churches in connection with the above activities; and the development of a common confessional consciousness among all Lutherans in Latin America. (The term "Latin America" is defined as including Mexico, Central America, and the Spanish- and Portuguese-speaking countries of South America. It should be mentioned that at the Council's last annual meeting, the American

Lutheran Church and the Augustana Lutheran Church expressed an interest in joint work in Mexico.)

" 'In organizing such a co-operative work the Council would take the following steps: (1) Each general body would be invited to participate in a Division on Lutheran Co-operation in Latin America and to express its willingness to accept its proportionate share of a core budget. (2) Those general bodies now doing mission work in Latin America would be invited to transfer such activities to the Division, including the operation of such transferred work and its financial support.

" 'It would be understood that the work of the Division would not extend into countries in which any participating body of the National Lutheran Council conducts work which it does not choose to transfer to this Division.

" 'Much of the initial efforts of the Division would be spent in exploration of the field, and in studying the proper approaches and techniques for what would be pioneer work in many sections. A number of "pilot projects" may be called for, especially in regard to work among scattered Lutheran groups and the native population in the same area.

" 'What benefits could be expected from such an all-Lutheran approach in Latin America? In so new and complicated a situation, it is impossible to predict with certainty. Among others might be:

" '1. Preservation to the faith of several thousand Lutheran settlers in isolated areas.

" '2. Increased strength for churches and missions now in existence.

" '3. Organization of new congregations in important centers as nuclei for expanded future work.

" '4. Development of common literature and leadership training.

" '5. Provision of an agency for new joint work by bodies interested but unable to finance separate work.

" '6. Development of a greater Lutheran consciousness and sense of mission in existing churches in Latin America.

" '7. A united front of all co-operating Lutheran groups in matters involving public relations.

### " 'OUTLINE AND BUDGET FOR THE OPERATION OF A COMMISSION ON LUTHERAN CO-OPERATION IN LATIN AMERICA

*(A Temporary Program)*

" 'Functions:

1. To contact indigenous, independent churches regarding
   - a) Reception and care of Lutheran DPs.
   - b) Co-operation in general mission activities
   - c) Organization and relationship to the Lutheran World Federation.

2. To conduct direct operations for care of DPs in isolated or nonchurched areas.

3. To survey fields to discover Lutheran groups among which mission work is desirable.

" 'Budget:

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| Administration: | Field Secretary | $ 6,000.00 | |
| | Office Expense | 3,500.00 | $ 9,500.00 |
| Operations: | Travel | 2,500.00 | |
| | Meetings and Conferences | 1,500.00 | |
| | Literature | 1,000.00 | |
| | Surveys | 1,500.00 | |
| | *DP Services | 4,000.00 | |
| | | | 10,500.00 |
| | Total | | $20,000.00 |

" ' *Plus funds from Dr. Herman's budget

## " 'OUTLINE AND BUDGET FOR THE OPERATION OF A DIVISION ON LUTHERAN CO-OPERATION IN LATIN AMERICA

" 'Functions:

1. To receive and administer on a co-operative basis such existing mission work in Latin America as the participating bodies transfer to the National Lutheran Council.

2. To conduct such additional joint mission operations as may be financed by the participating bodies.

3. To conduct direct operations for care of new Lutheran settlers in isolated or nonchurched areas.

4. To contact indigenous, independent churches regarding
   a) Reception and care of Lutheran DPs.
   b) Co-operation in general mission activities.
   c) Organization and relationship to the Lutheran World Federation.

" 'Budget:

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| Core: | New York Office | $10,000.00 | |
| | Committee Expense | 1,500.00 | |
| | Field Secretary Office | 10,000.00 | |
| | Travel | 2,500.00 | |
| | Literature | 2,500.00 | |
| | Surveys | 2.500.00 | |
| | Conferences | 1,500.00 | |
| | *DP Spiritual Care | 20,000.00 | |
| | | | $50,500.00 |

" '*L.W.A. funds, partly from Dr. Stewart Herman's budget. Probably at least one-third of the other core budget items would be met temporarily by L.W.A. funds.

" 'Field Operation Budget ........ From $150,000 up according to the amount of existing work transferred to the division, and new work authorized.

To be accepted and financed by participating bodies above core budget contributions.

Participating bodies now expend the following sums for their existing work:

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| Argentina (U.L.C.A.) | $78,110.00 | |
| Columbia (ELC and UELC) | 51,673.00 | |
| Mexico (ALC) | 20,000.00 | |
| | | 149,783.00 |
| Total | | $149,783.00 |

" 'Participating bodies would contribute to core budget on basis of confirmed membership.

" 'If $20,500.00 should be the portion of the core budget above not chargeable to L.W.A. funds, the following shares would be assigned to the participating bodies (based upon co-operation of all eight bodies):

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| " 'United Lutheran Church in America | $ 9,826.07 |
| Evangelical Lutheran Church | 4,044.05 |
| American Lutheran Church | 3,501.34 |
| Augustana Lutheran Church | 2,347.43 |
| Lutheran Free Church | 296.89 |
| United Evangelical Lutheran Church | 218.88 |
| Finnish Suomi Synod | 162.06 |
| Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church | 103.28 |
| | $20,500.00' " |

This item was received as information.

*(b) Co-operation with Augustana Lutheran Church in Venezuela*

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report and recommendation:

"Dr. S. Hjalmar Swanson, Executive Director of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Augustana Lutheran Church, addressed the following letter to President Fry among others on July 24, 1950:

> " 'To Presidents of the churches within the National Lutheran Council:
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> " 'Dear Brethren:
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> " 'The National Lutheran Council has asked the Board of Foreign Missions of the Augustana Church to serve as its agent in launching work among the Displaced Persons in Venezuela. The hope is that within a year proper machinery will be set up within the N.L.C. to take over this work and conduct it as a co-operative endeavor.
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> " 'Our Board has promised to serve in this capacity. It feels, however, that since this is to be a co-operative undertaking, it is proper that there be co-operation in its direction from the beginning. The Executive Committee of the Augustana Board, therefore, passed the following resolution July 21:
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> > " ' "That we ask the Presidents of National Lutheran Council churches to appoint two persons, preferably Mission administrators, to serve as members of a Provisional Committee on spiritual work among Displaced Persons in Venezuela."
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> " 'Our Board has elected three of its members with full power to act on its behalf in meetings with such a Committee. It feels that only in such a way will we be able to serve the need best and have unity in this work from the beginning and avoid misunderstandings. It is understood that this will be only a temporary committee serving until the National Lutheran Council will find itself able to effect its own permanent organization.
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> " 'Since we need to move as quickly as possible in this matter, I shall appreciate if you will favor us with your appointments as soon as possible.
>
> " 'Very cordially yours,
>
> " 'signed: S. Hjalmar Swanson'

"The proposed joint missionary work in Venezuela, to which this letter refers, is expected to become a part of the total operations of the 'Division on Lutheran Co-operation in Latin America' which will be established in the National Lutheran Council if the plans for such a division, as already reported to this board (pp. 924-927), are adopted by the church conventions this year. There is a high probability, approaching a certainty, that this will be the case.

"Since any delay in launching mission activities in Venezuela will be detrimental in view of the influx of thousands of Lutherans into that country, officials of the National Lutheran Council have suggested to the Augustana board that it take the initiative there at once.

"In view of the prospect that a division on Lutheran Co-operation in Latin America will come into existence within the National Lutheran Council in the early future and in cordial response to this invitation from the Board of Foreign Missions of the Augustana Lutheran Church, the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests RECOMMENDS:

"That the Executive Board authorize our Church's Commission to the National Lutheran Council to appoint two persons, as requested, to serve on an interim basis 'as members of a Provisional Committee on spiritual work among Displaced Persons in

Venezuela', with the understanding that these appointees will act as consultants to the Board of Foreign Missions of the Augustana Lutheran Church until missionary activity of this type is given a permanent status in the organization of the National Lutheran Council."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 45. Rudolph F. Reichwald Bequest to Board of American Missions for "Jewish Mission Work" Transmitted to National Lutheran Council for Use by Its Department on the Christian Approach to the Jewish People

(See VI, B, ii, 7, p. 216, of this report.)

### 46. U.L.C.A. Extra Contribution to National Lutheran Council Department on the Christian Approach to the Jewish People for Transmission to the International Missionary Council's Commission on the Christian Approach to the Jews

(See III, 21, p. 146, of this report.)

### 47. Proposed National Lutheran Council Membership in the General Commissions on Chaplains

(See VIII, E, 9, p. 511.)

### 48. Election of Commissioners to the National Lutheran Council

At the October 7, 1950, meeting of the Executive Board the following persons were nominated as the ULCA Commissioners to the National Lutheran Council for the biennium 1951-1952:

The Rev. Franklin Clark Fry, D.D.
The Rev. F. Eppling Reinartz, D.D.
The Rev. Henry H. Bagger, D.D.
The Rev. Lyle C. Burns
The Rev. Voigt R. Cromer, D.D.
The Rev. Charles B. Foelsch, D.D.
Mrs. G. Morris Smith
Mr. S. Frederick Telleen
The Rev. Amos J. Traver, D.D.
The Rev. Rees Edgar Tulloss, Ph.D.
The Rev. Armin G. Weng, Ph.D.
The Rev. Abdel Ross Wentz, Ph.D.
The Rev. Paul L. Wetzler, D.D.

It was moved and carried to elect the above 13 persons as the ULCA Commissioners to the National Lutheran Council for the biennium 1951-1952.

## B. LUTHERAN WORLD FEDERATION
## U.S.A. COMMITTEE

### 1. Acceptance of Evangelical Lutheran Church of Italy and Trieste into Membership in the Lutheran World Federation.

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report:

"In accordance with Article V of the Lutheran World Federation constitution, the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Italy and Trieste was accepted into membership in the Lutheran World Federation by unanimous vote of its Executive Committee in session at Oxford, England, on July 16-20, 1949. The president of the United Lutheran Church as treasurer of the Lutheran World Federation had the joy of greeting this new sister church in the name of world Lutheranism in the course of an official visit to Rome later in July. At its inception the Lutheran Church of Italy and Trieste consists of twelve parishes, situated mainly in the larger cities of that land."

This item was received as information.

### 2. Additional New Member Churches of Lutheran World Federation

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report:

At the annual meeting of the Executive Committee of the Lutheran World Federation at Tutzing, Germany "membership of the Lutheran World Federation was expanded to include 42 churches in 23 countries when the 1950 meeting of the Executive Committee of the Federation voted formally at Tutzing, Germany, August 1-8, to accept five applicant churches into membership in the Lutheran World Federation. The five newly accepted churches are:

"The Andhra Evangelical Lutheran Church (India)
The Evangelical Lutheran Church in the Central Provinces (India)
The Jeypore Evangelical Lutheran Church (India)
The Tamil Evangelical Lutheran Church (India)
Federacao Sinodal of Brazil

"The four churches in India in this list were represented provisionally at the Lund Assembly through the Federation of Evangelical Lutheran Churches in that country. The Federacao Sinodal of Brazil has resulted from a combination of four formerly independent synods in Brazil which was effected on May 14-16, 1950.

"The Executive Committee of the Federation carefully scrutinized the autonomy and doctrinal basis of the five churches named above and unanimously agreed that they are eligible for membership in the Lutheran World Federation. 'If no fundamental objection is raised,' according to Article IV of the constitution of the Lutheran World Federation, these elections into membership in the Federation by its Executive Committee are final."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 3. Place and Theme of 1952 Assembly

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report:

"At the 1950 meeting, the Executive Committee of the Lutheran World Federation gratefully accepted an invitation from the National Committee for Germany to hold the second assembly of the federation in Hannover in 1952. The theme for the Hannover assembly is to be, 'The Living Word in a Responsible Church.' The assembly will be divided into six sections for intensive study of the implications of this theme for (1) theology, (2) world missions, (3) inner missions, (4) evangelism and stewardship, (5) youth and student work, (6) women's work.

"In addition, a special committee on international relations will be appointed for report to the assembly."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 4. The United Lutheran Church in America Representation in 1952 Assembly of the Lutheran World Federation

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report:

Twenty-four delegates will be assigned to The United Lutheran Church in America according to a schedule adopted at Tutzing indicating the distribution of the delegate body at the Hannover assembly. The entire calculation was based on the following membership scale, with each North American church allotted three times as many delegates as the scale indicates. Such a multiplication by three was decided upon at the insistence of the European members of the Executive Committee. This device was adopted in recognition of the radical difference between the ways in which baptized membership is computed in state churches or folk churches in Europe in contrast to the free churches in America.

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| Baptized | membership up to | 100,000 | 1 delegate |
| " | " | 100,000-200,000 | 2 delegates |
| " | " | 200,000-300,000 | 3 delegates |
| " | " | 300,000-500,000 | 4 delegates |
| " | " | 500,000-1,000,000 | 6 delegates |
| " | " | 1,000,000-2,000,000 | 8 delegates |
| " | " | 2,000,000-3,000,000 | 10 delegates |
| " | " | 3,000,000-4,000,000 | 12 delegates |
| " | " | 4,000,000-5,000,000 | 14 delegates |
| " | " | 5,000,000-6,000,000 | 16 delegates |

Under this rule of computation the North American member churches of the Lutheran World Federation will have an aggregate of seventy-four delegates to the 1952 assembly.

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 5. Lutheran World Almanac

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report:

"At its 1950 meeting, the Executive Committee of the Lutheran World Federation instructed the headquarters staff in Geneva 'to prepare and publish a Lutheran World Almanac in 1952, the cost of same to be defrayed by sales of this volume.' It is not intended to combine an all-Lutheran directory (Executive Board Minutes, April 1949, pp. 199-200) with this almanac but to give it the character of a handbook regarding Lutheran churches and missions all over the world. The last previous edition of the Lutheran World Almanac was published in 1937."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 6. Budget of Lutheran World Federation

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report:

"The Executive Committee of the Lutheran World Federation at its August 1950 meeting adopted the annual budgets of the Federation for the fiscal years 1950-1951 and 1951-1952. Each fiscal year extends from May 1st to April 30th. The member churches in the United States and Canada are being requested for $6,750 out of a total budget of $39,500 in the fiscal year 1950-1951, and for $8,000 out of a total budget of $46,500 in 1951-1952. In addition, $10,000 will be forthcoming each year from the U.S.A. National Committee out of Lutheran World Action funds toward the support of this budget.

"In 1949-1950, $2,000 was assessed upon the American churches in behalf of their membership in the United States and $500 for their membership in Canada out of a total Federation budget of $26,250. As will be seen at a glance, the newly adopted figures represent a substantial increase in the amounts which will be expected from the United

Lutheran Church. In the main this increase reflects anticipated expenses of the Hannover assembly."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

**7. Lutheran World Federation dues, 1951-1952**

At the October 3, 1950, meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report:

"A statement dated September 1, 1950, of the annual dues of the United Lutheran Church to the treasury of the Luheran World Federation indicates the following amounts payable by the ULCA:

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| Dues for year May 1, 1950-April 30, 1951 (currently due) | $3,274 |
| Dues for year May 1, 1951-April 30, 1952 (due May 1, 1951) | $3,880 |

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that the treasurer of the ULCA be authorized to pay the ULCA's Lutheran World Federation dues of $3,274 which are currently due and to submit to the next meeting of the Executive Board the proper budget adjustment to provide for this item."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

## C. LUTHERAN WORLD FEDERATION NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR CANADA

**1. Canadian National Committee for Lutheran World Federation—January 1949 Meeting**

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report:

"The Executive Board of the Canadian National Committee for the Lutheran World Federation met early in January 1949 and has initiated several constructive services to the swelling influx of displaced persons and refugees in Canada. The Canadian Committee has undertaken the full salary and traveling expenses of an Estonian pastor who will minister to his countrymen in the eastern provinces, and it has engaged a port worker in Halifax to welcome and aid the thousands of immigrants arriving at that port. Three subcommittees for spiritual service to displaced persons and refugees have been appointed: in eastern Canada, in the prairie provinces, and in British Columbia.

"A distinct understanding has been arrived at with Canadian Lutheran World Relief to the effect that 'Canadian Lutheran World Relief will take care of the actual immigration arrangements of refugees' and that all spiritual service after their arrival in Canada 'will be the concern of our committee and any committee the Missouri Synod may have.' "

The Executive Board received this item as information.

**2. Revised Budget for 1949 Canadian Lutheran World Action**

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report:

"On March 17, 1949, the Executive Board of the the National Committee for Canada of the Lutheran World Federation voted to revise the Canadian Lutheran World Action budget for 1949 (cf. Executive Board Minutes, July 1948, p. 644) by increasing the item 'For Refugees and Displaced Persons' from $10,000 to $20,000 and to equalize this change by reducing the item 'For Spiritual Relief (Reconstruction and Rehabilitation) in Europe' from $40,000 to $30,000. The March 17, 1949, minutes note that this decision was subject to the approval of a majority of the General Committee. An official communication from Secretary John G. Lokken of the National Committee for Canada under the date of July 25, 1949, states that this approval has been secured by mail and that the revised budget is now in effect.

"This is submitted for information."

The item was received as information.

For 1949 U.S.A. Lutheran World Action Budget see VII, A, 39, c, p. 368 of this report.

### 3. 1950 Canadian Lutheran World Action Budget

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report and recommendation:

"The National Committee for Canada L.W.F. on September 14, 1949, adopted the Canadian Lutheran World Action budget for 1950 as follows:

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| " '1. Administration | | |
| General | $1,500.00 | |
| Literature | 2,000.00 | |
| Meetings | 1,500.00 | |
| | | $ 5,000.00 |
| 2. C.L.W.R. | | 25,000.00 |
| 3. Refugees | | 20,000.00 |
| 4. European Spiritual Relief | | 24,000.00 |
| 5. Orphaned Missions | | 24,000.00 |
| 6. Student Work | | 1,000.00 |
| 7. Contingencies | | 1,000.00 |
| Total | | $100,000.00 |

" 'This amount is to be allocated to the participating bodies according to confirmed membership, at the rate of $1.50 per capita.'

"The above budget is recognized as being a part of the total 1950 L.W.A. budget of $3,200,000 and all contributions toward it from members of U.L.C.A. congregations in Canada will be included in our Church's total giving toward the 1950 appeal. This procedure duplicates the plan which is being followed in 1949.

"The duty of providing promotional materials and envelopes to aid in the L.W.A. appeal in Canada during 1950 has been assigned to the treasurer of the National Committee. The costs of these aids are to be borne from the 'administration' item in the Canadian L.W.A. budget itself.

"The Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests Recommends that the Executive Board approve this 1950 budget for Lutheran World Action in Canada."

The recommendation was adopted.

For 1950 U.S.A. Lutheran World Action budget see VII, A, 39, h, p. 371, of this report.

### 4. U.L.C.A. Representatives on Canadian National Committee for the Lutheran World Federation, 1949-1950

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the president reported as follows:

"Presidents J. E. Bergbusch of the Western Canada Synod. J. H. Reble of the Canada Synod and C. H. Whitteker of the Nova Scotia Synod are nominated to be the representatives of the United Lutheran Church in the Canadian National Committee for the Lutheran World Federation for the years 1949 and 1950.

"Upon motion, Presidents J. E. Bergbusch, J. H. Reble, and C. H. Whitteker were elected representatives of The United Lutheran Church in America in the Canadian National Committee for the Lutheran World Federation for the years 1949 and 1950."

### 5. ULCA Representatives on Canadian Committee for the Lutheran World Federation, 1951-1952

At the October 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the president reported as follows:

"The president nominates the three ULCA synodical presidents who are residents of Canada to continue to serve as the representatives of our Church on the Canadian National Committee for the Lutheran World Federation through the biennium 1951-1952. These nomines are Presidents J. E. Bergbusch of the Western Canada Synod, J. H. Reble of the Canada Synod and C. H. Whitteker of the Nova Scotia Synod."

The secretary cast the ballot of the Executive Board for the election of Presidents J. E. Bergbusch, J. H. Reble, and C. H. Whitteker to continue to serve as the representatives of the Church on the Canadian National Committee for Lutheran World Federation for the biennium 1951-1952.

The above was adopted by the Executive Board.

The president declared Presidents J. E. Bergbusch, J. H. Reble and C. H. Whitteker elected to continue to serve as the representatives of the Church on the Canadian National Committee for Lutheran World Federation for the biennium 1951-1952.

## D. SPECIAL COMMISSION ON RELATIONSHIPS TO AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH BODIES

## E. MISCELLANEOUS

### 1. Condolences on Death of President N. C. Carlsen of United Evangelical Lutheran Church

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the president presented the following report:

"All American Lutherans, particularly in the National Lutheran Council, were saddened by the unexpected death on February 6, 1950, of Dr. N. C. Carlsen, President of the United Evangelical Lutheran Church for more than the past twenty-five years. On February 13, President Fry officially assured our bereaved sister Church of the fraternal sympathy of The United Lutheran Church in America and also of our sincere appreciation of the integrity, consecration, and gifts of Dr. Carlsen.

"On February 27 Secretary Lawrence Siersbeck of The United Evangelical Lutheran Church, to whom the expression of condolence had been addressed, replied as follows:

> " 'Your kind letter of February 13 extending sympathy on behalf of your Church body to ours at the homegoing of our respected president, Dr. N. C. Carlsen, and your fine tribute is gratefully acknowledged on behalf of The United Evangelical Lutheran Church. In the loss of our beloved leader we find the fellowship of our brethren in the faith throughout the country and the world dearer than ever.' "

This item was received as information.

### 2. Approval in Principle of the Formation of a Permanent Joint Commission on the Liturgy and Hymnal

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report and recommendation:

"Upon the recommendation of the Common Service Book Committee, the 1948 convention voted (pp. 427-428) that 'The United Lutheran Church invite the churches which are co-operating in the preparation of a Common Liturgy and Hymnal to unite with it in establishing a permanent Joint Commission on the Liturgy and Hymnal and to appoint representatives on the same. The function of the proposed Commission shall be to continue the work of the Joint Commission on the Hymnal and of the Joint Commission on the Liturgy; to secure and control the copyright of the new Liturgy and Hymnal; and to consider all matters of common interest in the field of public worship which may be referred to it in the future by the respective churches.'

"In order to bring this action respectfully and effectively before the 1950 conventions of the other interested church bodies, the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests RECOMMENDS that this Executive Board, in the name of The United Lutheran Church in America, request our sister churches which have participated through their representatives in the preparation of a common Liturgy and Hymnal.

"(a) to approve in principle at their 1950 conventions the formation of a permanent Joint Commission on the Liturgy and Hymnal having the general functions outlined in the above action of the 1948 convention of The United Lutheran Church in America and

"(b) to appoint from one to five representatives apiece on a preliminary joint committee which shall have the duty of submitting detailed recommendations to the 1952 conventions of the participating church bodies concerning the composition and functions of a permanent Joint Commission on the Liturgy and Hymnal and its relationships to the churches which will co-operate in it."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report and recommendation:

U.L.C.A. PARTICIPATION IN PRELIMINARY JOINT COMMITTEE ON THE LITURGY AND THE HYMNAL

"In January 1950, this Committee recommended and the Executive Board adopted an approach to our 'sister churches which have participated through their representatives in the preparation of a common Liturgy and Hymnal' in the spirit of the following action of the 1948 convention. (Quoted above in first paragraph of this item.)

"In order to enable The United Lutheran Church to participate fully in the proposed 'preliminary joint committee which shall have the duty of submitting detailed recommendations to the 1952 conventions of the participating church bodies concerning the composition and functions of a permanent Joint Commission on the Liturgy and Hymnal and its relationships to the churches which will co-operate in it,' the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board empower the President of the Church to appoint five representatives of The United Lutheran Church on the preliminary joint committee."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 3. Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church of America—Conferences of U.L.C.A. Boards and Agencies with Corresponding Boards and Agencies of That Church

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report and recommendations:

"Under date of October 5, 1949, the following official, friendly communication was received from the Rev. Holger O. Nielsen, secretary of the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church of America:

> " 'At the annual convention of the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church of America held at Greenville, Michigan, June 21-26, 1949, the following decision was made:
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> > " ' "The committee recommends that when and where practicable meetings be arranged between representatives of the following boards and committees of the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church of America and corresponding boards and committees of The United Lutheran Church in America for detailed study of affiliation with the U.L.C.A. and how such affiliation might affect our work within the various departments:
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> > " ' "a. The Synodical Board
> > b. The Board of Education for Grand View College
> > c. The Board of Welfare
> > d. The Board of the Pension Fund
> > e. The Council of Elementary Religious Education
> > f. The Committee on Publications
> > g. The Home Mission Council
> > h. The Board of the Danish-American Young People's League
> > i. The Santal Mission Committee
> > j. Such other boards, committees, or other groups whose functions might be affected by our Synod's affiliation with the U.L.C.A."
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> " 'Please accept this letter as an official notice of our convention's decision, and also as a request that representatives from our various boards, committees, etc., arrange for their respective meetings.'

"The above request reflects an expressed interest on the part of the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church of America in the possibility of affiliation with The United Lutheran Church as a constituent synod of our Church. Upon invitation of the Danish Church's Committee on Lutheran Church Relations, our own Special Commission on Relations with American Lutheran Church Bodies met with it in Chicago on January 5, 1949. The doctrine, polity and organization of The United Lutheran Church were studied thoroughly in that conference. A full report of this consultation was given to the Greenville convention of the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church of America in June of 1949.

"Appended to that report were two recommendations. The first recommendation, which was adopted, directed 'that the question of affiliation with The United Lutheran Church in America be placed on the agenda of the district meetings in order that the laity of our Church may be given the opportunity to discuss the matter. Members of the Committee on Lutheran Church Relations will endeavor to be present at the meeting in their respective districts.'

"After slight amendment, the action of the Danish Church which has been quoted in Secretary Nielsen's letter was taken in response to the second recommendation.

"Your Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests RECOMMENDS:

"1. That the Executive Board instruct the Secretary of the Church to reply that the United Lutheran Church welcomes the proposed conferences between corresponding boards and agencies of the Danish Church and our own Church.

"2. That this Board invite representatives of the Synodical Board of the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church of America to confer with representatives of this Board at any convenient date and place.

"3. That for the purpose of acquainting the Synodical Board of the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church of America fully with the duties and activities of this Executive Board, a copy of the minutes of the 1949 meetings of this Board be sent to the Secretary of the Danish Church.

"4. That all boards and agencies of the United Lutheran Church which correspond to similar boards, committees or agencies in the Danish Church be requested and encouraged to arrange for the desired conferences."

The recommendations were adopted by the Executive Board.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary presented the following report:

"Promptly after the October, 1949, meeting of the Executive Board the assignments in items 1, 3 and 4 of our action concerning conferences between the boards and agencies of the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church of America and the cognate boards and agencies of the U.L.C.A. were carried out. The following responses to the overtures of U.L.C.A. boards and agencies have been reported to the secretary to date.

### "REPORT ON CONFERENCES OF U.L.C.A. BOARDS AND AGENCIES WITH THEIR OPPOSITE NUMBERS IN THE DANISH EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF AMERICA

"*Parish and Church School Board*—wrote on November 4, 1949 that it would arrange a meeting with the Council of Elementary Religious Education of the Danish Lutheran Church, sometime after its December 6 board meeting.

"A second communication from Executive Secretary S. White Rhyne, in the form of a carbon copy of a letter addressed to the Rev. Holger O. Nielsen, Secretary of the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church, December 30, 1949, informs us that he has proposed that representatives of the Parish and Church School Board and the Danish Church's Council of Elementary Religious Education meet while both groups are in attendance at the meeting of the I.C.R.E. in Columbus, Ohio, February 12-18, 1950.

"*Board of Publication*—wrote to the Committee on Publications, Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church, on November 2, 1949, proposing a meeting at the convenience of the Danish committee.

"*Board of Social Missions*—wrote to Rev. Holger P. Jorgensen of the Danish Church, on November 7, 1949, informing him that it had invited the Rev. Einar Anderson to attend its annual meeting on November 10, and that he had agreed to come. Dr. Koch also reported to us that he would write Pastor Jorgensen later, relative to a meeting between representatives of the Danish Church and the U.L.C.A.

"On January 20, 1950, the Rev. C. Franklin Koch reported further that

> "'On Wednesday, January 18, three representatives of the Board of Social Missions met with two members of the Board of Welfare of the Danish Lutheran Church. A full and free discussion of the organization and work of the two boards revealed a similarity in both. Nothing, apparently, would interfere with the harmonious working out of relationships in the event of the Danish Lutheran Church uniting with The United Lutheran Church in America.'

"*Luther League of America*—informed us on December 5, 1949 that it has arranged a conference between its president and executive secretary and the presidents of the Young People's Luther League and the Board of Youth Work of the Danish Church. This conference was scheduled to take place at Rock Island, Illinois, January 12, 1950.

"*Board of Foreign Missions*—Executive Secretary Luther A. Gotwald wrote to the Rev. Edward Hansen of the American Santal Mission Committee, on December 6, 1949, asking what the possibilities were for a meeting of the above committee and the Board of Foreign Missions for the purpose of discussing work in India. No reply has come to Dr. Gotwald to date (12-28-49).

"*Board of American Missions*—A memorandum from Executive Secretary R. H. Gerberding, December 12, 1949, reports that on November 9, 1949 he wrote to President Jensen of the D.L.C. suggesting that the home mission authorities of that Church get in touch with Dr. A. Knudsen of Chicago, Illinois, for a conference. President Jensen replied that he appreciates the suggestion, but does not know when such a conference can be held.

"*Board of Pensions and Relief*—Dr. Cline had a conference, of the type suggested, with Mr. Jensen, treasurer of the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church, late in December, 1949, and submits the following report on the same:

> " '*Notes from conference with Mr. Jensen, treasurer of the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church of America*
>
> " 'The Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church has about 66 active pastors and 7000 contributing members and approximately 20,000 confirmed members.
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> " 'The pastor pays about 2 per cent of his total salary into the pension fund. The congregation takes up a silver offering which amounts to approximately $100.00 a year which they pay into the fund.
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> " 'The highest salary in the synod is $3000.00.
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> " 'They have an Endowment Fund of $51,000 which in 1948 earned a fantastic sum of $5,300.
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> " 'On their pension roll they have 6 retired pastors who are married, 2 single retired pastors and 14 widows. The married pastor receives $620.00 a year which is guaranteed and last year he received $80.00 from additional income. The single pastor receives a guaranteed pension of $360.00 a year and last year he also received $40.00 from additional income. The widows receive the same pension as a single pastor. The amounts are guaranteed regardless of the salary the pastor has received during his active ministry.
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> " 'The Synodical Board collects and invests all funds. The treasurer of the Synod who is part-time receives $600.00 a year.'

"*Board of Education*—In the minutes of the December 6-7, 1949 meeting of the Board of Education (p. 11) the following item appears:

> " '4. *Conference with the Board of Education of Grand View College of the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church of America.*
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> " 'a—That the Board of Education of The United Lutheran Church in America approve a conference with the Board of Education of Grand View College of the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church of America.
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> " 'b—That the executive secretary be directed to arrange for such a conference together with such other member(s) of the Board of Education as President Deaton may designate.
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> " 'a—Approved.
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> " 'b—Approved.' "

This report was received as information.

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary presented the following report:

"In accordance with the action of the Executive Board (Minutes, October, 1949, p. 434), boards and agencies of the U.L.C.A. have been corresponding and holding conferences with their opposite numbers in the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church of America. At the January, 1950 meeting of this Board certain of these conferences were reported. Additional contacts are reported below.

*Executive Board*

"On February 6, 1950, in Chicago, President Fry and Executive Board member, Mr. Erwin H. List, held a highly satisfactory conference with representatives of 'The Synodical Board' of the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church of America." See Report of President to this meeting.

That report follows:

"In conformity with the plan for conferences between corresponding agencies of the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church and The United Lutheran Church in America, President Fry and Mr. E. H. List were the guests of the Synodical Board of the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church from early in the morning to late in the afternoon of February 6 in Chicago. Almost eight hours were spent in a very amicable and thorough review of the organizational structure, polity and doctrinal basis of our Church, with special attention being given to the present similarities and differences between the two Churches and to the adjustments or modifications that would be entailed for the Danish Church if it were to become a constituent synod of The United Lutheran Church in America."

The April 1950 report of the secretary continues:

*"The Board of American Missions*

"On February 6, 1950, President Fry, at the request of the Board of American Missions, conferred in Chicago with representatives of the Home Mission interests of the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church of America, and with certain of its district presidents. Executive Board member Mr. Erwin H. List also attended this conference. The meeting of the Board of American Missions on that date made it impossible for executive or administrative officers of our Board of American Missions to attend.

*"The Parish and Church School Board*

"On March 9, 1950, the Rev. S. White Rhyne, Executive Secretary of the Parish and Church School Board reported:

> " 'On February 14, 1950 representatives of our Board met with representatives of the Commission on Parish Education of the Danish Lutheran Church, in Columbus, Ohio. We had a very helpful meeting and reports are being prepared by both groups of representatives.'

"Secretary Rhyne is now ready to make a full report on this conference to the forthcoming meeting of this Board.

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary presented the following report:

"The minutes of the Parish and Church School Board for June 28, 1950 contain the following account of a 'Conference with representatives of The Council of Religious Education of The Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church of America': 'At the request of the Executive Board and by direction of our Board, Pastor Getz and your Secretary (Dr. Rhyne) conferred with Pastors Farstrup and Hansen of the Council. Following the conference reports were prepared by each group and copies were sent to the secretary of each Church Body. Copies are available for review by the Board.' "

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

*"The Stewardship Department*

"Stewardship Secretary, Mr. Henry Endress, and Dr. Franz-Oluf Lund, of Luck, Wisconsin, Chairman of the Stewardship Committee of the Danish Evangelical Lutheran

Church of America, have had a useful and cordial exchange of letters concerning procedures and available materials in the stewardship field. Mr. Endress invited Dr. Lund to attend the U.L.C.A. Regional Stewardship Conference to be held in Chicago, June 9-10, 1950.

*"The Brotherhood*

"Secretary Earle W. Bader, of the U.L.C.A. Brotherhood, wrote to President Alfred Jensen of the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church of America, asking if that body has an official organization for men. On March 17, 1950, President Jensen replied:

> " '...................
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> " 'I am sorry to have to answer that we have no synod organization of the nature mentioned. We have only local men's organizations and they are without any definite co-operative ties. Altogether there are not a great many men's organizations in our synod. I realize the need of such but we have not been able to foster them to any great extent.
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> " 'Thanking you for the inquiry and the friendliness it exhibits and sorry to have to give you as negative a reply as the above.'

*"The Board of Pensions and Relief*

"Dr. Thomas L. Cline, Executive Secretary of the Board of Pensions and Relief, has been conducting a very constructive correspondence with the Rev. Arthur E. Frost, President of 'The Board of the Pension Fund' of the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church of America, concerning the circumstances under which the pastors, pastors' widows and orphans would qualify to enter into the benefits of the Non-Contributory and the Contributory pension plans of the U.L.C.A. Dr. Cline has offered to have the actuary of our Board of Pensions and Relief provide Pastor Frost with an exhibit of the income each participating pastor would receive from the Contributory Pension Plan on retirement at age 65, 68, or 70.

*"The Board of Education*

"The Rev. Gould Wickey, Executive Secretary of the U.L.C.A. Board of Education, has had a helpful contact with the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church of America's 'Board of Education for Grand View College' and will continue to make available the good offices of his Board in the interest of promoting mutual understanding and goodwill between the two boards.

*"The Board of Foreign Missions*

"The Rev. William P. Gerberding, Vice-President of the Board of Foreign Missions, was appointed by that Board to represent it and bring its greetings to the March 12, 1950 Thanksgiving Service of the Santal Mission in celebration of the formation of the Ebenezer Lutheran Church of North India. The Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church of America, through its Santal Committee, participates heartily in the support of the mission to the Santals in northeast India."

This report was received as information.

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary presented the following report:

*"Agency Conferences*

"In accordance with the action of the Executive Board October, 1949, boards and agencies of the U.L.C.A. have been conferring with executives of corresponding agencies in the DELCA. At the January meeting of this board and at its April meeting certain of these conferences were reported. Additional contacts are reported below:

"*The Board of Publication* (its minutes, April 1950, p. 2471)

> " 'It was reported previously that the executive secretary, on behalf of the Board of Publication, had written seeking a conference with the Committee on Publication of the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church of America. A reply has been received indicating that that Committee sees no need of an immediate conference and that "if there is movement toward a merger with the United Lutheran Church a conference will be arranged.'

"*The Luther League of America* (letter from executive secretary, the Rev. Joseph W. Frease, May 31, 1950)

> " 'Pastor Clayton Nielsen and Secretary Joseph W. Frease have gone over the structure of Luther League work in the United Lutheran Church and in the Danish Lutheran Church and have come to a cordial understanding as to the relationships between should the Danish Lutheran Church unite with the United Lutheran Church. They are exchanging publications and keeping each other informed as to new developments in their respective organizations.' "

This report was received as information.

**4. Inquiry About "Conference of All Major Lutheran Bodies", from President of American Lutheran Church**

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report and motion:

"On March 25 the President of the Church received the following official, courteous communication from Dr. Emmanuel Poppen, President of the American Lutheran Church:

> " 'AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH
> Office of the President
> Columbus 15, Ohio
>
> " 'Rev Em. Poppen, D.D., L.H.D.
> 57 East Main Street
>
> March 23, 1949
>
> " 'Dr. Franklin Clark Fry, President
> United Lutheran Church in America
> 231 Madison Avenue
> New York 16, N. Y.
>
> " 'Dear Dr. Fry:
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> " 'At a joint meeting of our Committee on Fellowship and the Executive Committee of the American Lutheran Church, which was held several weeks ago, the following resolution was adopted, which may be of interest to you:
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> " ' "RESOLVED: That it is the consensus of opinion of those present that as the next step in efforts toward Lutheran unity there should be a conference of all major Lutheran bodies in this country, with a limited but representative group of delegates from each body, and with a carefully prepared, constructive agenda; that President Poppen should issue the preliminary call, in consultation with the presidents of other bodies, in response to this request of these two committees meeting in joint session."
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> " 'My purpose in writing to you at this time is to ask you whether the United Lutheran Church would take part in such a conference. What we have in mind is a two-day conference to be held some time this summer or fall. We shall be glad to invite it to meet in Columbus. We believe it should be a free conference in the sense that the participants would not and could not commit their respective church bodies to take definite action. It is our hope that this conference would be followed by other conference meetings and that eventually an all-Lutheran federation might result.

> " 'For the program of the conference we suggest some doctrinal studies, such as, "What is sufficient unto unity among Lutherans in America (a restudy of the seventh article of the Augsburg Confession)," and practical subjects, such as, "A plan for an all-Lutheran federation in America," "U.S.A. Lutherans and the World Council of Churches."
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> " 'The foregoing does not mean that we have lost interest in the Committee of Fifteen appointed at Minneapolis, the first meeting of which has been called by our Dr. Bodensieck for April 26. The conference proposed by us is desired by many in various Lutheran Church bodies, also within the Missouri Synod. We favor every undertaking that will bring Lutherans in this country more closely together.
>
> " 'Now, may I ask whether the United Lutheran Church would take part in a conference as described above this summer or fall?
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> " 'Awaiting a reply at your convenience, and with cordial personal greetings, I am,
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> " 'Yours very sincerely,
> (Signed) Em. Poppen
> " 'President'

"President Fry has entrusted this significant, appreciated letter to the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests for study. He has requested this Committee to prepare itself to lead in a discussion of the issues involved at the Executive Board meeting today. We therefore suggest the following thoughts and ask for this Board's judgment concerning them.

"We view this communication from the Executive Committee and the Committee on Fellowship of the American Lutheran Church as another welcome sign of the rapidly swelling desire for Lutheran unity in America.

"We hesitate, however, to agree to the wisdom of the particular step proposed. We are deterred especially by our fear that to undertake a second set of conferences at this time may detract from the prospects of success of the conversations about 'closer organizational affiliations' begun at Minneapolis last January, in which the United Lutheran Church reposes high hopes.

"The suggestion that the proposed new conference should be centered in part around renewed doctrinal studies does not appeal to us as holding promise of being a fruitful approach to union or as in the spirit of the United Lutheran Church. We share, rather, the conviction which was expressed by our Church's Commission on Relations with American Lutheran Church Bodies in 1940 'no further definitions of doctrine are necessary in dealing with the problem of relationships of American Lutherans to each other' (1940 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 263). In the words of the 1944 convention of the United Lutheran Church, we 'reiterate the position taken in Savannah in favor of union in this our own day on the basis of our common official subscription to the historic confessions of the Lutheran Church (especially the Unaltered Augsburg Confession and Luther's Small Catechism), in addition to which we will impose no tests of Lutheranism and beyond which we will submit to no tests of Lutheranism' (1944 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 241).

"We therefore advise the President of the Church not to join in calling the conference.

"Suggested motion: That the Executive Board encourage the President of the Church to reply in this vein to the communication from President Poppen.

"The motion suggested by the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests was adopted by the Executive Board."

## 5. Communication from Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report and recommendation:

"On May 21, the following official, courteous communication was received from Dr. J. W. Behnken of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod:

" 'THE LUTHERAN CHURCH—MISSOURI SYNOD
533 S. Kenilworth Ave.—Telephone: Euclid 1114
OAK PARK, ILLINOIS

May 19, 1949

" 'Office of the President
The Rev. J. W. Behnken, D.D.

" 'Dr. Franklin Clark Fry
231 Madison Avenue
New York 16, New York

" 'Dear Dr. Fry:

" 'You will please find enclosed a copy of the resolution adopted by the College of Presidents of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod on May 6, 1949.

" 'I shall appreciate it very much if, after you have had time to read these resolutions and give some thought to them, you will be so kind as to let me have your reaction.

" 'The resolutions have my wholehearted endorsement. It is my earnest and fervent prayer that Lutherans in America may be led into a God-pleasing union. I am thoroughly convinced that such a union is God-pleasing if it is based upon unity in doctrine and its application to the life and work of the church. To achieve such union we are again proposing free conferences.

" 'I shall be very grateful to hear from you with regard to this proposal.

" 'With kindest personal greetings,

" 'Cordially yours,
" '/s/ J. W. BEHNKEN'

*" 'Resolutions of College of Presidents
The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod*

" 'Recognizing that this critical period in the history of the world demands a realistic approach to the cultivation of unity in American Lutheranism, The College of Presidents of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod:

" '1. expresses profound distress over Lutheran disunity and declares its willingness and desire to co-operate in efforts to achieve Lutheran unity in doctrine and its application to the life and work of the church;

" '2. proposes that all Lutheran bodies in America join in free conferences of pastors and laymen, under the guidance of God's Holy Spirit to establish existing agreement and to remove existing differences for the purpose of bringing about unity of Christian faith and fellowship;

" '3. hopes that a practical result of the discussion will be agreement in doctrine and the eventual formation of a federation of Lutheran bodies designated for co-operative action on the basis of the Word of God;

" '4. resolved collectively and individually, in the various districts of the Missouri Synod, to promote Lutheran unity through brotherly discussion with the hope that such discussion will lead to mutual recognition and co-operation;

" '5. requests the President of the Missouri Synod, in co-operation with the leaders of all other Lutheran bodies, to form a national inter-Lutheran committee for the purpose of arranging the proposed free conferences of Lutheran pastors and laymen.

" 'St. Louis, Missouri
May 6, 1949'

"President Fry's reply of May 31 should also be entered in our record:

May 31, 1949

" 'Dr. J. W. Behnken
533 S. Kenilworth Avenue
Oak Park, Illinois

" 'Dear Dr. Behnken:

" 'Your courteous letter of May 19 arrived here during my recent prolonged itinerary between the Missouri River and the Pacific Coast; hence my reply is delayed until this regrettably late date. I offer apologies for the apparent negligence and I assure you that it does not reflect in the slightest any lack of esteem.

" 'The resolutions of the College of Presidents of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod carry such weight and official dignity that they deserve more than a personal response from me. In conformity with our regular policy in The United Lutheran Church in America I am submitting these resolutions to the Executive Board of our Church, its highest ad interim authority, for its counsel at its earliest meeting on August 11, 1949.

" 'Meanwhile you may read with interest an action of this same Executive Board in April relating to a somewhat similar proposal from our friends in the American Lutheran Church. This minute is a restatement of the consistent attitude of The United Lutheran Church in America with regard to Lutheran union just as the resolutions from your College of Presidents reflect the familiar approach of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod to the same God-pleasing goal.

" 'I shall faithfully acquaint you with the views of our Executive Board as promptly as I can.

" 'Cordially yours,
" '/s/ Franklin Clark Fry

" 'cc: Dr. J. A. Aasgaard
Dr. P. O. Bersell
Dr. T. C. Burntvedt
Dr. Em. Poppen
Dr. N. C. Carlsen
Dr. Alfred Haapanen
Rev. Alfred Jensen'

"Two facts are immediately evident about this approach from the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. The first has already been alluded to in President Fry's answer; namely that the proposal of the Missouri Synod parallels closely the inquiry from President Em. Poppen in behalf of the American Lutheran Church which was presented to the April 1949 meeting of this Board, and was respectfully answered in the negative.

"Second, the resolutions of the College of Presidents of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod reiterate the familiar and unchanging views of that synod that (1) the doctrinal unity now existing among American Lutherans is insufficient for Lutheran union; (2) continued free conferences on doctrinal subjects will be the best device for the ultimate attainment of identity in doctrine; and (3) even a federation of Lutheran bodies is only an 'eventual' possibility in the light of the present situation.

"In contradistinction to these unchanging convictions of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod which are again plainly embodied in this invitation, your Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests reminds the Executive Board of a paragraph in its commentary upon the proposal from the American Lutheran Church in April 1949:

" 'The suggestion that the proposed new conference should be centered in part around renewed doctrinal studies does not appeal to us as holding promise of being a fruitful approach to union or as in the spirit of the United Lutheran Church. We share, rather, the conviction which was expressed by our Church's Commission on Relations with American Lutheran Church Bodies in 1940 that "no further definitions of doctrine are necessary in dealing with the problem of relationships of American Lutherans to each other" (1940 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 263). In the words of the 1944 convention of the United Lutheran Church, we "reiterate the position taken in Savannah in favor of union in this our own day on the basis of our common official subscription to the historic confessions of the Lutheran Church (especially the Unaltered Augsburg Confession and Luther's Small Catechism), in addition to which we will impose no tests of Lutheranism and beyond which we will submit to no tests of Lutheranism" (1944 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 241).

"The Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests therefore RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board indicate to the president of the Church its judgment that he should not become a member of the suggested 'national Inter-Lutheran Committee for the purpose of arranging the proposed free conferences of Lutheran pastors and laymen.'"

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 6. All-Lutheran Youth Leaders Council—Participation by Luther League Approved

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report and recommendation:

"Upon requests from the Luther League at its jubilee convention in the summer of 1946, the Executive Board sanctioned 'the participation of the officers and secretaries of the Luther League of America in a conference with similar officials of other youth groups in the various Lutheran churches of America' (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes p. 181). Annual meetings of such an All-Lutheran Youth Leaders Council, as it has named itself, have since been held in January of each year. The Executive Board's permission to the Luther League to participate in this council applied only to its meeting in January 1947. A full report of that session was requested.

"At its meeting on October 15-16, 1948 the Executive Committee of the Luther League voted:

> " '1. That three representatives of the Luther League of America be sent to the All-Lutheran Youth Leaders Council.
>
> " '2. That the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America be informed of the purpose of this Council when it has been received and that permission be asked to allow representatives of the Luther League of America to attend.'

"The awaited statement of purpose was adopted by the All-Lutheran Youth Leaders Council on January 12-14, 1949 at Maywood, Ill., and has now been received from the Luther League of America:

> " 'Statement of Purpose of the All-Lutheran Youth Leaders Council:
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> " 'We, the representatives, adopt the following purpose statement of the All-Lutheran Youth Leaders Council:
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> " '1. To counsel together on modern day youth problems, youth attitudes, and youth environment.
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> " '2. To exchange leadership ideas and practices on youth programs and youth work.
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> " '3. To discover ways of assisting our Lutheran youth to meet effectively through their own youth programs the challenge of the day in which they live.
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> " '4. To study the feasibility and possibility of joint endeavor in such fields as publications, visual aids, and related subjects.
>
> " '5. To enjoy Christian fellowship and promote mutual esteem, trust, and respect for each other's work.
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> " '6. To counsel together on how proposed closer affiliations of Lutheran general bodies in America may be furthered through co-ordinated, carefully planned youth programs for Lutheran youth in America.'

"Pertinent supplementary information includes these several points. Three representatives from the young people's organization of each participating body in the National Lutheran Council and from the Walther League of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod comprise the membership of the All-Lutheran Youth Leaders Council. These three representatives are normally the president of the young people's organization and two of its staff members. The council has no set officers; a continuation committee of three is appointed each year to arrange for the next year's meeting. The council has no treasurer or financing of any character and engages in no common projects.

"The Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests RECOMMENDS approval of the participation of the Luther League of America in the All-Lutheran Youth Leaders Council."

The recommendation of the committee was adopted by the Executive Board.

**7. Possible Joint Sponsorship of Lutheran Voluntary Work Camps**

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report and recommendations:

"At its April 28, 1949 meeting the Board of Social Missions adopted the following recommendation of its Department of Social Action:

> " 'We recommend that the Board of Social Missions request the Executive Board of the Church to take the proper steps to investigate possible joint sponsorship of Lutheran voluntary work camps by the Lutheran Student Division of the National Lutheran Council and the Board of Social Missions of The United Lutheran Church in America.'

"Voluntary work camps, in which selected groups of Christian youth live together for a period of weeks combining physical labor on a church project with common Christian studies and devotional life, have become a widely accepted device in recent years. Their ruling purpose is the nurturing of the characters of young people through fellowship experiences of a high order. The extension of the voluntary work camp idea among the Lutheran churches of America is worthy of exploration.

"In order to accomplish this aim most effectively, your Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests believes that other agencies of the Church should be invited to share in the possible consultation. Other boards and agencies of the United Lutheran Church and the Division of Welfare of the National Lutheran Council may also be interested in voluntary work camps and a provision should be made to include them in the study.

"As a first step toward that end, your Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board request the Executive Committee of the National Lutheran Council to permit the Council's Division of Student Service and its Division of Welfare, if either or both of them desire to accept the invitation, to confer with boards of the United Lutheran Church regarding Lutheran voluntary work camps.

"RECOMMENDED further that the Board of Social Missions, the Board of Education, The Parish and Church School Board, and the Luther League of America, if they choose to participate, be authorized to proceed with such a conference with the understanding that a report of the findings of this study shall be made to the Executive Board before the boards concerned undertake to sponsor an activity of this type in the United Lutheran Church."

Both of the above recommendations were adopted.

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report:

"The Executive Committee of the National Lutheran Council on October 1, 1949 approved the request of this board that permission should be given to 'the Council's Division of Student Service and its Division of Welfare, if either or both of them desire to accept the invitation, to confer with boards of the United Lutheran Church regarding Lutheran voluntary work camps.' Accordingly it referred 'the above matter to the Student Service Division and the Welfare Division with the request that they follow it through in such a manner as they may agree upon according to the regular procedures of the National Lutheran Council.'

"There was some indication that another participating body in the National Lutheran Council may desire a similar conference on this same subject at a future date."

This item was received as information.

### 8. Parish and Church School Board's Participation in Conference on Joint Sponsorship of Voluntary Work Camps

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report:

"The Committee on Boards and Committees submits for the information of the Executive Board, and the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests in particular, the following action taken at the December 1949 meeting of the Parish and Church School Board:

> " 'That the Parish and Church School Board inform the Executive Board that our Board will be ready to participate in any conference concerning Voluntary Work Camps.' "

This item was received as information.

### 9. Possible Co-operation in Japan with Evangelical Lutheran Church and Augustana Lutheran Church

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report and recommendation:

"According to the minutes of the Board of Foreign Missions for February 7-9, 1949, page 38:

> " 'Possibilities have appeared of co-operation in our mission work in Japan by the Evangelical Lutheran Church and by the Augustana Lutheran Church.
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> " 'The executive secretary of the U.L.C.A. Board of Foreign Missions was invited to meet with the executive secretary and members of the Executive Committee of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Minneapolis on November 23, 1948.
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> " 'Together they reviewed the possibilities of co-operation by the ELC Board of Foreign Missions in our Lutheran work in Japan. The ELC field in China (and other Lutheran fields in China as well) is largely overrun by the Communists. Many missionaries have withdrawn.'

"The Executive Committee of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church voted as follows:

> " 'That we request Dr. Gotwald to make inquiries from his Board and the missionaries on the field in Japan relative to the use of some of our younger missionaries now in China to assist in their work on the field in Japan.' "

"The Foreign Mission Board of the Augustana Lutheran Church has since decided to give first study to a possible new field in South America instead of extending its missionary work into Japan at this time.

"After these preliminary consultations in America, the judgment of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Japan was immediately sought. In reply its Executive Committee took the following actions on January 11, 1949:

> " 'VOTED: 1. that we heartily welcome the beginning of Christian mission work in Japan by the Evangelical Lutheran Church.
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> " '2. that we express our strong desire that it work in complete co-operation with the existing Lutheran Church in Japan so as to realize the unity and solidarity of one Lutheran Church.
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> " '3. In order that it may have an adequate understanding of the entire situation and the problems involved, we urge that the Evangelical Lutheran Church send its board's official representative to Japan to see conditions, study the field, and confer with the existing Lutheran Church in this country before making final decisions, as soon as possible.
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> > " ' "Comment: In order to attain unity, we are strongly convinced that rather than having a specified geographical area as its field of work, it is far preferable that the missionaries and national working personnel be located in such places as may be considered most strategic in the expansion of the Lutheran Church, in which they and we would have the same standing, involving equal privileges and equal obligations. In other words, we desire the same organic relationship as that which has existed between the United Evangelical Lutheran Church (Danish) and the United Lutheran Church in America since 1918.
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> > " ' "It should be noted that the working of this has been both entirely pleasant and thoroughly effective to both the missionaries and to the Japanese, and we believe that it has been satisfactory to the two boards concerned. If the Evangelical Lutheran Church could have the same relationship to the Japan Committee of the Board of Foreign Missions of The United Lutheran Church in America as the Danish body has had and still has, the desired results in Japan should be attained. Complete integration in this small country would obviate all distinctions among Lutherans as far as these two bodies are concerned." '

"The executive secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, Dr. Rolf A. Syrdal, has now gone to Japan in acceptance of this invitation in company with the executive secretary of our own Church's Board of Foreign Missions.

"In view of these attractive prospects, our Board of Foreign Missions voted on February 7-9, 1949:

> " '(a) that we welcome the co-operation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church and the Augustana Lutheran Church in the mission work in Japan in accordance with Article III, Section 3, of the constitution of the board;
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> " '(b) that the action of the Japan Lutheran Church urging the Evangelical Lutheran Church and the Augustana Lutheran Church to send representatives to Japan to study the field be forwarded to these bodies;
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> " '(c) that after such study has been made, a mutually agreed plan of co-operation be worked out by the three boards and submitted to the boards for their approval;
>
> " '(d) that this plan be forwarded to the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America, for its approval in accordance with Article III, Section 3, of the constitution of the board.'

"Article III, Section 3, of the constitution of the Board of Foreign Missions which is cited above, reads in part as follows: 'Other Lutheran bodies may, with the approval of the U.L.C.A., co-operate with the board.' This constitutional provision, in harmony with the entire polity of our Church, makes it clear that the U.L.C.A. or the Executive Board must sanction inter-Lutheran joint missionary undertakings from the outset in addition to approving a total plan of procedure after such a plan has been developed.

"Your Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests therefore **Recommends** that the Executive Board greet with joy the possibility of a close fellowship with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in a united support of the life and growth of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Japan; and, further, that the Executive Board authorize the Board of Foreign Missions to develop a plan of co-operation with the Evangelical Lutheran Church for work in Japan, submitting the same to this board for final approval."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report and recommendation:

### CO-OPERATION IN MISSION WORK IN JAPAN

*Evangelical Lutheran Church*

"The minutes of the Board of Foreign Missions for October 25-26, 1949 contain the following statement and action regarding co-operation with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in mission work in Japan:

> " '1. That the aim and purpose of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in taking up mission work in Japan is to build and develop, together with the other Lutheran missions, one Lutheran Church in Japan.
>
> " '2. That the Evangelical Lutheran Church will, therefore, plan to enter into co-operative relationship with the Japan Lutheran Church and the institutions of this Church, as their Mission Conference and Board may decide.
>
> " '3. That a Joint Lutheran Committee be formed, consisting of two members from each American Lutheran Board of Foreign Missions having work in Japan. This committee shall meet at regular intervals for the purpose of considering the needs of the field and recommendations from the Church in Japan. All actions shall be submitted to the respective boards for final action.
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> " '4. That missionaries of the Evangelical Lutheran Church be sent out by that Church and be under the jurisdiction of its Board. We would urge, however, that the missionaries of the Evangelical Lutheran Church and the United Lutheran Church in Japan organize a Lutheran Missionary Conference to meet at least annually for the purpose of fellowship, study and consideration of their mutual interests in the work in Japan; also that they make an effort to have all Lutheran missionaries in Japan join this Conference.
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> " '5. That the Evangelical Lutheran Church, according to an understanding it has reached with the Lutheran missionaries in Japan and leaders of the Japan Lutheran Church, assume responsibility for the geographical area lying between Tokyo and Nagoya as its designated mission field.
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> " '**Voted** (1) that we approve of the resolutions adopted by the Joint Committee of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church and of the United Lutheran Church in America covering co-operation in work in Japan.
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> " '(2) that we approve the formation of a Joint Lutheran Committee on Japan, and appoint two members to represent our Board thereon;
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> " '(3) that we report this to the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America for their approval in accordance with their resolution of April 1949.'

"It will be observed from comparison with earlier documents submitted to this Board (Executive Board Minutes, April, 1949, pp. 202-205) concerning a possible co-operation with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in mission work in Japan that the original hopes have been changed in several ways. For the immediate future at least, the mission operations of the Evangelical Lutheran Church will be conducted in co-operation with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Japan rather than integrated into it. The proposed Lutheran missionary conference will 'meet at least annually for the purpose of fellowship, study and the consideration of their mutual interests in the work in Japan' but the missionaries of the United Lutheran Church and of the Evangelical Lutheran Church will act as independent groups at other times. The new mission of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Japan will occupy 'a specified geographical area as its field of work.'

"The Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board approve the plan of co-operation as submitted."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### AUGUSTANA LUTHERAN CHURCH

"Welcome news has been received that the Board of Foreign Missions of the Augustana Lutheran Church has decided at its meeting in October 1949 to take initial steps looking toward the establishment of mission work in Japan in close co-operation with our own Board of Foreign Missions and perhaps with the Board of Foreign Missions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church. The three boards may have varying relationships with the 'Evangelical Lutheran Church in Japan' but all will work in association with it. Since the opening of a new field by the Augustana Lutheran Church requires the action of a Church convention, the Augustana Board of Foreign Missions will petition the 1950 convention of its Church to approve the establishment of the proposed Japan mission.

"The Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests therefore RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board greet with joy the possibility of a close fellowship with the Augustana Lutheran Church in a united support of the life and growth of the 'Evangelical Lutheran Church in Japan;' and further, that the Executive Board authorize the Board of Foreign Missions to develop a plan of co-operation with the Augustana Lutheran Church for work in Japan, submitting the same to this board for final approval."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report and recommendation:

"At its meeting on February 6-8, 1950, the Board of Foreign Missions received official notice from Dr. S. Hjalmar Swanson, Executive Director of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Augustana Lutheran Church, confirming the welcome news which was reported to this Board in January 1950:

> " 'At the meeting of the Executive Committee on November 25, I reported on your recent communication and your enclosed revision of the agreement previously drawn up between your Board and that of the Evangelical Lutheran Church. At its meeting on October 26, our Board voted to ask your Board for a similar agreement, governing policy of proposed mission work in Japan and now the Executive Committee voted its approval to the revision which you proposed. I shall, therefore, ask that your Board approve an agreement with the Augustana Lutheran Church similar to an agreement which it has entered into with the Evangelical Lutheran Church.'

"In response, our Board of Foreign Missions adopted the following action which is similar in general structure to the agreement previously entered into with the Evangelical Lutheran Church (pp. 604-606) for co-operative mission work in Japan:

> " 'Voted (*a*) that we welcome the co-operation of the Augustana Lutheran Church in the work in Japan, according to the following:
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> " '(1) that the aim and purpose of the Augustana Lutheran Church, in

> taking up mission work in Japan, is to build and develop, together with the other Lutheran missions, one Lutheran Church in Japan.
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> "'(2) that the Augustana Lutheran Church will, therefore, plan to enter into co-operative relationship with the Japan Lutheran Church and the institutions of this Church, as their Mission Conference and the Board may decide.
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> "'(3) that a Joint Lutheran Committee be formed, consisting of two members from each American Lutheran Board of Foreign Missions having work in Japan. This committee shall meet at regular intervals for the purpose of considering the needs of the field and recommendations from the Church in Japan. All actions shall be submitted to the respective Boards for final action.
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> "'(4) that missionaries of the Augustana Lutheran Church be sent out by that Church and be under the jurisdiction of its Board. We would urge, however, that the missionaries of the United Evangelical Lutheran Church, the Augustana Lutheran Church, the Evangelical Lutheran Church, and The United Lutheran Church in America organize, in Japan, a Lutheran Missionary Conference to meet at least annually, for the purpose of fellowship, study, and consideration of their mutual interests in the work in Japan; also, that they make an effort to have all Lutheran missionaries in Japan join this Conference.
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> "'(5) that the Augustana Lutheran Church, after consultation with the missionaries in Japan and the leaders of the Japan Lutheran Church, through Dr. S. H. Swanson, who will visit Japan in April, assume responsibility for the geographical areas to be agreed upon.
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> "'(b) that we report this action to the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America for their approval.'

"The Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests RECOMMENDS the hearty approval of the plan of co-operation as submitted."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 10. Inter-Lutheran Co-operation in Slogan and Publicity for Parish Education Month 1950

*(a) Approval Requested by Parish and Church School Board*

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report and recommendation:

"The minutes of the Parish and Church School Board for December 8, 1948 contain the following item:

> "'That the Parish and Church School Board request of the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America the privilege of co-operating with the parish education boards of the American Lutheran Church, the Augustana Evangelical Lutheran Church, the Danish Lutheran Church, and any other Lutheran church bodies which may decide to co-operate, in a common slogan, a common poster, common bulletin and publicity releases, and as many tracts as can be agreed upon for parish education month in 1950.'

"The Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests RECOMMENDS approval."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

*(b) Report on Results of Planning*

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report:

"In April 1949 the Executive Board accorded to the Parish and Church School Board the privilege of co-operating with the parish education boards of several other Lutheran Church bodies in all plans for Parish Education Month in 1950. The following excerpt from the minutes of the Parish and Church School Board for December 7, 1949 now report the gratifying fulfillment of this proposal as follows:

> "'Following action of the Board at the December 1948 and June 1949 meetings plans for the 1950 Parish Education Month have been developed in co-operation with other Lutheran Church bodies. As stated in the report to the Executive Committee of the Board, six Lutheran groups are participating. The common features are as follows:
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> > "'Slogan: Forward in Parish Education! Come! Learn! Serve with Us!
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> > "'Poster—Illustrating the slogan and emphasis
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> > "'Four small four-page folders for general distribution. There will be one on the idea of "Forward," one on "Come," one on "Learn," and one on "Serve with Us!"
> >
> > "'A recording to be used in groups planning for Parish Education Month.
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> "'There is no effort to develop details in common with the other Lutheran groups.'

"The six co-operating 'Lutheran groups' are:

The American Lutheran Church
The Augustana Lutheran Church
The Danish Lutheran Church
The Evangelical Lutheran Church
The United Evangelical Lutheran Church
The United Lutheran Church in America"

This item was received as information.

### 11. The Lutheran Inter-synodical Committee on Parish Education Materials

*(a) Permission to Participate Requested by Parish and Church School Board*

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report and recommendation:

"At its semi-annual meeting on December 7-8, 1948, the Parish and Church School Board voted 'that the Executive Board of the Church be requested to extend permission to our board to consult with other Lutheran bodies looking toward co-operation in the publication of *The Parish School and Sunday School Story papers.*' Informal consultations have been in progress for many months for the purpose of exploring the possibility of co-operation among American Lutherans in the publication of parish education periodicals. The conferees who had previously called themselves loosely the 'general committee' or 'representative committee' came together more formally on September 9, 1949 and attempted to draft a master plan for such a joint endeavor. The group effected a more definite organization on that date under the name of 'The Lutheran Intersynodical Committee on Parish Education Materials.' Parish education leaders in The United Evangelical Lutheran Church, the Evangelical Lutheran Church, the Augustana Lutheran Church, the American Lutheran Church, The United Lutheran Church in America and the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod were present and expect to participate in the future in this committee.

"The Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board grant the requested permission to the Parish and Church School Board."

The recommendation of the committee was adopted by the Executive Board.

*(b) Permission to Participate Requested by Board of Publication*

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report and recommendation:

"After quoting the action of the Executive Board regarding 'co-operation in publication of *The Parish School* and Sunday school story papers,' the minutes of the Board of Publication of April 19, 1949, contain the following paragraph and recommendation:

> " 'In this connection, the Executive Secretary has been kept informed by Executive Secretary Rhyne but no representative of the Board of Publication has attended these meetings. However, since the Board of Publication is the only publishing board of the Lutheran bodies not represented at these conferences, it is
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> " 'Recommended that the Board of Publication request the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church to grant approval for the participation of representatives of the Board of Publication in "The Lutheran Intersynodical Committee on Parish Education Materials.'

"In view of the fact that our Board of Publication has a clear and justified interest in the proposals under discussion by the Lutheran Intersynodical Committee on Parish Education Materials and in view of the further fact that our Board of Publication is the only publication board of the interested Lutheran bodies not yet represented in this committee, the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests Recommends approval of this request."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 12. Request from Board of Foreign Missions for Approval of Membership on United Board for Christian Colleges in China

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

"The minutes of the Board of Foreign Missions, June 1950, direct to the Executive Board the following request:

> " 'MEMBER ON UNITED BOARD FOR CHRISTIAN COLLEGES IN CHINA
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> " 'The United Board for Christian Colleges in China has requested that, in view of our contribution for Cheeloo University, we should appoint a representative to their Board.
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> " 'And (*a*) voted that we ask approval of the Executive Board of this enlarged relationship.
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> " '(*b*) We request the president of the Board of Foreign Missions to appoint one member to serve on the United Board for Christian Colleges in China for the year 1950-51.'

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships Recommends that the approval sought by the Board of Foreign Missions in the above action be granted by the Executive Board."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 13. Support of U.L.C.A. Missionary by Women's Missionary Society for Service in Augustana Church's Tanganyika Mission

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report and recommendation:

"On April 27-28, 1949, the Executive Board of the Women's Missionary Society voted:

> " 'That the Women's Missionary Society of the U.L.C.A. will be glad to give Miss Biederbeck's services and provide her support in Tanganyika in the same manner as the Augustana Women's Missionary Society provides financially for the women missionaries of their church in India.'

"Miss Hazel Biederbeck, to whom this action refers, is a missionary of the Women's

Missionary Society and the Board of Foreign Missions who has previously served as a nurse in our Liberia field.

"The Board of Foreign Missions ratified this plan on June 20-22, 1949, as follows:

> " 'Voted that we approve of the action of the Women's Missionary Society in giving Miss Hazel Biederbeck's services and providing for her support to serve in Tanganyika, Africa, under the Board of Foreign Missions of the Augustana Lutheran Church, subject to the approval of the U.L.C.A. Executive Board.'

"According to the same minutes of the Board of Foreign Missions, Dr. Hjalmar Swanson, Executive Director of the Augustana Church's Board, has certified that that Board has called Miss Biederbeck as a teacher in a School for Hospital Medical Assistants in its Tanganyika mission.

"As all of us know and appreciate, the Augustana Lutheran Church and its Women's Missionary Society have co-operated liberally both in funds and in personnel to the India Mission of the U.L.C.A. ever since the formation of our Church. This offer, which involves a limited aid on our part to the Augustana Church's Tanganyika Mission in the person of this one missionary, is a highly justified and commendable act of reciprocity.

"Your Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board endorse the plan of the Board of Foreign Missions and the Women's Missionary Society to assign Miss Hazel Biederbeck to Tanganyika Mission of the Augustana Lutheran Church and to support her as a missionary there."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 14. Co-operation of American Lutheran Church in Andhra Christian College

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report and recommendation:

"Dr. E. Prakasam, President of the Andhra Evangelical Lutheran Church, has reported that upon action of the Executive Council of that Church, an invitation has been sent to the American Lutheran Mission to co-operate in Andhra Christian College. On June 20-22, 1949, the Board of Foreign Missions, minutes, p. 137.

> " 'Voted we approve of an invitation being extended to the American Lutheran Church to co-operate in the Andhra Christian College in accordance with the approved Plan of Co-operation subject to the approval of the United Lutheran Church Executive Board.'

"The Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests RECOMMENDS that in harmony with our expressed desire for the widest attainable Lutheran Church union in India (1948 U.L.C.A. minutes, p. 241), the Executive Board gladly grant approval for this co-operation."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 15. The Midwest Synod and Nebraska Lutheran Social Service

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report and recommendation:

"At its 1950 convention the Synod in the Midwest voted to join 'Nebraska Lutheran Social Service' subject to the approval of the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church, according to an official notice from President Lorin J. Wolff under date of May 22, 1950. A copy of the constitution of 'Nebraska Lutheran Social Service' was submitted in connection with this request. According to the documents 'Nebraska Lutheran Social Service' is being established 'to serve as a common social service organization for National Lutheran Council church bodies operating in Nebraska to develop and administer programs of Christian social service as needs are demonstrated and resources permit.' Its membership is to consist of official representatives 'elected by the respective National Lutheran Council church bodies (presumably the synods, districts and conferences on that territory, not the church bodies themselves) covering the area of Nebraska.'

"One united financial appeal is to be made each year to the congregations of the participating bodies for the support of 'all co-operative Lutheran welfare work in Nebraska.' The main, at least the original, function of 'Nebraska Lutheran Social Service' is to provide Lutheran chaplaincy service in the institutions of that state.

"The Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests believes that such co-operation is praiseworthy and desirable and therefore RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board approve this proposed new inter-Lutheran relationship of the Synod in the Midwest."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 16. Midwest Synod and Nebraska Lutheran Welfare Council

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report and recommendation:

"In the same communication President Lorin J. Wolff notifies the Executive Board that the Synod of the Midwest also resolved at its 1950 convention to join the Nebraska Lutheran Welfare Council contingent upon the approval of this Board. A copy of the constitution of this agency too has been submitted for perusal and review. According to President Wolff, 'The Nebraska Lutheran Welfare Council has been in existence for several years. Our synod has participated but never officially voted to become a member' prior to 1950.

"The Lutheran Welfare Council of Nebraska is designed to serve as a quasifederation of all Lutheran charitable, health and welfare agencies and institutions in that state. The definition of the adjective 'Lutheran' modifying the nouns 'agencies and institutions' in the preceding sentence is exceedingly broad. Any agency or institution 'whose constitution requires that at least a majority of its Board of Directors shall be members of the Lutheran Church' is eligible to full membership in the Council.

"By a confusing arrangement, a later paragraph of the constitution stipulates that 'each of the following Lutheran Church groups and such other Lutheran Church groups serving churches in Nebraska as may desire to affiliate with this Council may also designate a representative for this Council.' There follows a list of territorial units of the Augustana Lutheran Church, the American Lutheran Church, the United Lutheran Church, the Evangelical Lutheran Church, the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, the United Evangelical Lutheran Church, and the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church operative in Nebraska.

"As will appear at a glance, the result is that the composition of the Lutheran Welfare Council of Nebraska contravenes one of the principles which the United Lutheran Church always upholds in all interchurch relationships: namely, the principle that our Church will participate only in affiliations which are limited to church bodies. By including (1) synods, districts, conferences and other ecclesiastical units on the one side and (2) inner mission agencies and institutions on the other as equal partners, the Lutheran Welfare Council of Nebraska invites a mixed membership of the type which our Church cannot consistently approve.

"The Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board advise the Midwest Synod not to enter into membership in the Lutheran Welfare

Council of Nebraska as it is constituted at present but rather to encourage the council to limit its membership to Lutheran agencies and institutions alone, with the representatives of the synods, districts and conferences in Nebraska having at most a consultative relationship to it."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 17. Request of Women's Missionary Society for Joint Imprints with Women's Organizations of Churches of National Lutheran Council Granted

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Women's Missionary Society of the United Lutheran Church has enjoyed increasingly cordial and helpful relationships with parallel Women's Missionary Society auxiliaries of the other Lutheran Church bodies in the National Lutheran Council for the past several years (1948 Minutes, pp. 191-2, 498). Recently a desire has arisen for the publication of a few joint imprint materials involving two or more of these sister organizations. On May 3-4, 1950, the Executive Board of our Women's Missionary Society broadened its original intention of requesting permission for a publication or two of this character and instead, at the encouragement of President Fry, adopted the following inclusive motion:

> " 'That the Executive Board of the Women's Missionary Society request permission of the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America to publish from time to time, joint imprint materials with any or all of the women's organizations of the churches of the National Lutheran Council.'

"The Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests welcomes this prospect as a highly desirable and helpful development and Recommends that the Executive Board grant this request."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 18. Free Conference about Co-operation in Saskatoon Seminary

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests presented the following report and recommendation:

"A communication to the following effect has been received from Dr. Gould Wickey, executive secretary of the Board of Education.

"Two years ago a free conference was held in Saskatoon to discuss possible co-operation in Saskatoon Seminary, with representatives of the Augustana Lutheran Church, the American Lutheran Church, the Evangelical Lutheran Church and the United Lutheran Church present. At its conclusion this conference asked the Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church to call a second meeting if and when such was deemed desirable. Dr. P. O. Bersell, president of the Augustana Lutheran Church, and Dr. William L. Young, executive secretary of the Board of Education of the American Lutheran Church, have expressed the judgment that such a second conference will be profitable in the near future. November 21, 1950, has been tentatively agreed upon as the date.

"It is anticipated that the American Lutheran Church will have two or three representatives present, the Augustana Lutheran Church may be represented by Dr. Bersell and its special Seminary Committee. The Evangelical Lutheran Church may have an observer in the meeting. The plan is that the morning session will be devoted to general discussion and the afternoon session will be attended only by official representatives of those bodies who are willing to co-operate in the seminary.

"The Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board approve the action of the Board of Education in calling a second meeting of representatives of Lutheran church bodies interested in co-operation in Saskatoon Seminary; and further that the Executive Board empower the Board of Education to select from three to five attendants at this conference to represent the United Lutheran Church."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

## VIII. INTERDENOMINATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS

### A. FEDERAL COUNCIL OF THE CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

**1. Report of the Commission to Federal Council of Churches on the 1948 Biennial Meeting of the Council**

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report:

"The commission has submitted a report of the Fortieth Anniversary and Biennial Meeting of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, held in Cincinnati, Ohio, December 1-3, 1948. According to Article VIII in the revised rules of procedure of the commission (cf. 1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 746) this report has been submitted to the Executive Board. These revised rules established more direct and continuous supervision by the Executive Board of the activities of the Commission to the Federal Council than had theoretically been true before. Prior to the establishment of the Commission by the 1942 convention 'Friendly Visitors to the Federal Council Conventions' reported to the Executive Board, but between 1942 and 1948 the Commission was accountable to our Church conventions directly. This report to the Executive Board is in accordance with requirements of the new rules of procedure. The report has no recommendations but it does contain significant comments on inter-church co-operation.

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships submits this report in full to the Executive Board as information.

*" 'Report of the Commission to the Federal Council*
*of the Churches of Christ in America*
*to the*
*Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America*

" 'The Fortieth Anniversary and Biennial Meeting of the Federal Council was held in Cincinnati, Ohio, December 1-3, 1948.

" 'The following were present: President Franklin Clark Fry, and commissioners Clarence E. Krumbholz, Luther D. Reed, G. Morris Smith, Amos John Traver, Miss Nona M. Diehl, Mrs. O. A. Sardeson, and Mrs. Virgil B. Sease.

" 'Participation in the organization of the convention included: Dr. Reinartz, chairman of the Program Committee; Dr. Traver, member of the Business Committee; Dr. Krumholz, interpreter of materials for study by Section II; Dr. Fry, chairman of Section VI, presenting the report of the section to the plenary session.

" 'The Credentials Committee reported about 600 in attendance. Of this number 320 were members, alternates, department and state council representatives; 20 were staff members; 25 were press representatives. Four non-member denominations were represented by delegates. Among these was Dr. Conrad Bergendorf of the Augustana Lutheran Church.

### " '*Worship*

" 'The three worship periods were conducted by: Bishop C. C. Alleyne, African Episcopal Zion Church; Professor Georges Florovsky, St. Vladimir's Orthodox Seminary and Professor Elton Trueblood, Earlham College—Society of Friends.

### " '*Discussion Periods*

" 'The convention was divided into six sections where the major issues of the Council were discussed.

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| Section I. | Development of a Greater Lay Participation in the Church |
| Section II. | The Ministry of the Church to Older People |
| Section III. | Plans for the United Evangelistic Advance, 1949-1950 |
| Section IV. | Policies of the Churches in the Field of Human Rights |
| Section V. | The Churches and Juvenile Delinquency |
| Section VI. | The Churches and Displaced Persons and Overseas Aid |

" 'These sections were given a large amount of time and the report of each section was adopted at the plenary session.

### " '*Business*

" 'Applications for membership from the Religious Society of Friends of Philadelphia and Vicinity and the Rumanian Orthodox Church in America were considered and accepted by the Council

" 'In answer to a memorial from the Reformed Church in America within the biennium, the Executive Committee had declared that the confessional statement of the Federal Council was identical in meaning with that of the World Council. In the constitution of the Federal Council, faith is affirmed in Jesus Christ as "divine Lord and Saviour." In the constitution of the World Council the words, "God and Saviour" are used. At this convention a memorial was received from the same denomination asking that the action of the Executive Committee be approved in the plenary session. This action was taken by a decisive vote.

" 'The Council voted in principle for a resolution against any U. S.—Franco Alliance. It also received a carefully prepared report on "The Witness of the Church in Our Time" from a commission headed by Dr. Walter Horton. The following were elected to serve as officers for the next two years:

" 'President: Bishop John S. Stamm, Harrisburg Pa.
Vice President: Mildred McAfee Horton (Mrs. Douglas)
President of Wellesley
Treasurer: Harper Sibley, Rochester, N. Y., re-elected
Secretary: Reverend W. Glenn Roberts, Hartford, Conn., re-elected

### " '*Addresses*

" 'At the anniversary dinner messages were received in person or in writing from those who have served as presidents from 1928. The Reverend George W. Richards, with the Council since 1908, and Bishop Bromley Oxnam gave the addresses. At the Friday afternoon session the Reverend Stephen Neill, associate general secretary, World Council of Churches, Geneva, gave an address on evangelism.

### " '*Budget*

"The assembly approved a budget for 1949 of $640,289.00. This budget is to be reviewed at the end of each quarter, and a reduction is to be recommended if it is found necessary.

### " '*Conclusion*

" 'In presenting an Anniversary Review, Dr. Samuel McCrea Cavert said in part that forty years ago consecrated men saw the possibility of greater unity in the actual life of churches and today we enter into this greater unity with humble thankfulness to God recognizing that our greater unity is not due to the foresight of our fathers, nor the energy of their sons, but to the work of the Holy Spirit of God. In like manner Bishop Stamm in closing the convention said that the urgency of the years ahead and the task faced by the Church could be met only through prayer and the services of the churches, not in church union, but in Christian unity.

> " 'The Council paid high tribute to the services of Mr. Charles P. Taft who presided over the assembly in this convention and who is the first layman to serve as president.
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> " 'In general, this session was marked by less "union at any price" sentiment, than any session in recent years. Those who hold that denominationalism is a sin were not unpleasantly vocal. Statements adopted naturally reflect the influence of Reformed theology and also show occasional signs that the idea that the Kingdom of God can be built by man, is not dead. However, the evangelical Christianity was not without witness. In the discussions in the plenary sessions voices were raised, without apology, for the application of sound doctrine to the solution of current social and economic problems. Sentiment was strong for protecting the evangelical confession of the Federal Council. No Lutheran could ask for a clearer witness to the true aim and character of evangelism than that given in the address of Bishop Stephen Neill, associate general secretary of the World Council of Churches. It is not possible to measure the influence of our commissioners in support of the evident trend toward the type of interchurch activity in which evangelical Christians can co-operate without compromise. Certainly Lutheran participation is eagerly desired on the part of many of the leaders of the Council and of the representatives of denominations with conservative theologies. In spite of the hampering limitations of a consultative membership, your commissioners believe that our representation in the Council has been fruitful and should be continued.
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> " 'As the future of our relationship to interchurch co-operation, it would seem possible that the proposed meeting of administrative heads of the member denominations would have real significance. If the constitution of the new Council of Churches contained a confessional statement identical with that of the World Council, and if the basis of voting representation insured direct responsibility to the member churches, it would seem probable that that the Lutheran general bodies in America, now members of the World Council, would also become members of the National Council.
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> " 'For the Commission to the Federal Council,
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> Amos John Traver
> Edna H. Sardeson,
> Commissioners' "

This item was received as information.

### 2. Nomination of U.L.C.A. Commissioners, 1955 Term

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following reports and recommendations:

"Our U.L.C.A. Commission to the FCCCA, meeting in Philadelphia, January 7, 1949, nominated the Rev. Voigt R. Cromer, Mr. Charles H. Esser, the Rev. Carl A. Honeycutt and Dr. Clarence C. Stoughton to serve on that Commission, term expiring January 1955.

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS the election of the Rev. Voigt R. Cromer, Mr. Charles H. Esser, the Rev. Carl A. Honeycutt and Dr. Clarence C. Stoughton as members of the U.L.C.A. Commission to the Federal Council, term expiring January 1955."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"On motion the secretary cast the ballot of the Executive Board for the Rev. Voigt R. Cromer, the Rev. Carl A. Honeycutt, Charles H. Esser, and Clarence C. Stoughton as members of the Commission to the Federal Council, term expiring January 1955. The president declared them elected."

### 3. Resignation of Commissioner Rev. Paul E. Scherer

"The resignation of the Rev. Paul E. Scherer as a member of the Commission, term expiring January 1951, has been received.

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS that the resignation of the Rev. Paul E. Scherer be accepted."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 4. Election of Commissioner Rev. Robert W. Stackel

"The commission has nominated the Rev. Robert W. Stackel to fill the unexpired term of the Rev. Paul E. Scherer.

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS that the Rev. Robert W. Stackel be elected to fill the unexpired term of the Rev. Paul E. Scherer, January 1951."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"On motion the secretary cast the ballot of the Executive Board for the Rev. Robert W. Stackel as a member of the Commission to the Federal Council, term expiring January 1951. The president declared the Rev. Mr. Stackel elected."

### 5. Resignation of U.L.C.A. Commissioner Rev. Voigt R. Cromer; Election of Rev. Walter B. Freed

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

"In a letter dated February 6, 1950, the Rev. Voigt R. Cromer, newly elected President of Lenoir Rhyne College, tendered his resignation as a member of the U.L.C.A. Commission to the FCCCA. Dr. Cromer finds the increased responsibilities in his new office make it impossible for him to give the Commission's work adequate time and attention. The Commission voted to accept Dr. Cromer's resignation with sincere regret (Commission Minutes, February 10, 1950, p. 9) and nominates the Rev. Walter B. Freed of Charlotte, North Carolina, vice the Rev. Voigt R. Cromer, resigned, as a Commissioner of the U.L.C.A. to the FCCCA for the term expiring 1955.

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationship RECOMMENDS the election of the Rev. Walter B. Freed as a Commissioner of the U.L.C.A. to the FCCCA, for the term expiring in 1955."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"The chairman of the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships cast the ballot of the Executive Board for the election of the Rev. Walter B. Freed as a commissioner of the U.L.C.A. to the FCCCA, to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of the Rev. Voigt R. Cromer, term expiring, 1955.

"The President declared him elected."

### 6. Nomination of Representatives in Departments, Commissions and Committees of the Federal Council, 1949-1950

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

"A full roster of U.L.C.A. representatives in the departments and commissions of the FCCCA was nominated by the commission on January 7, 1949. The roster is as follows:

*"Representatives in Departments, Committees and Commissions of the Federal Council*

* Indicates noncommission representative

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| "A. *Executive Committee* | Rev. F. E. Reinartz |
| | Mrs. O. A. Sardeson |
| | Mr. S. F. Telleen |
| "B. *Advisory Committee* | Rev. F. E. Reinartz |
| "C. *Finance Committee* | Mr. S. F. Telleen |
| "D. *Departments* | |
| 1. Evangelism | Rev. C. A. Honeycutt |
| | Rev. R. E. Lesher* |
| | Rev. Herbert T. Weiskotten* |
| (a) Committee on University Christian Missions | Dr. R. J. Seeger* |
| | Rev. Joseph Sittler, Jr.* |
| 2. National Religious Radio | Mr. S. F. Telleen |
| | Mr. Henry Beisler* |
| 3. Christian Social Relations | Rev. Clarence E. Krumbholz |
| | Rev. C. F. Koch* |
| | Rev. Harold C. Letts* |
| (a) Commission on Marriage and the Home | Mrs. Virgil B. Sease |
| | Rev. Charles P. Cressman* |
| | Rev. E. S. Rudisill* |
| 4. Department of the Church and Economic Life | Mr. Charles H. Esser |
| | Rev. F. E. Reissig* |
| (a) Committee on the Church and Co-operatives | Rev. Herman S. Keiter* |
| 5. Pastoral Services | |
| (a) Commission on Religion and Health | Miss Nona M. Diehl |
| | Rev. Carl R. Plack* |
| | Rev. L. W. Woodward* |
| (b) Commission on Ministry in Institutions | Rev. C. E. Krumbholz |
| | Rev. F. A. Shearer* |
| 6. Race Relationships | Mrs. Virgil B. Sease |
| | Rev. C. F. Koch* |
| | Rev. Cyril Lucas* |
| | Rev. H. B. Schaeffer* |
| 7. Research and Education | Dr. C. C. Stoughton |
| | Rev. Harold C. Letts* |
| 8. Field | Rev. F. E. Reinartz |
| 9. International Justice and Goodwill | Rev. G. M. Smith |
| | Rev. O. F. Blackwelder* |
| | Rev. O. F. Nolde* |
| | Mrs. O. A. Sardeson |
| | Rev. Robert W. Stackel |
| (a) Committee on Conscientious Objectors | Rev. C. F. Koch* |
| "E. *Committee on Washington Office of FCCCA* | Rev. G. Elson Ruff* |
| | Rev. Robert E. Van Deusen* |

"F. *Commissions*

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| 1. Women's Co-operating Commission | Mrs. O. A. Sardeson<br>Mrs. P. E. Scherer* |
| 2. Commission on Worship | Rev. L. D. Reed<br>Rev. T. K. Finck* |
| 3. Commission on the Ministry | Rev. Voigt R. Cromer<br>Rev. Paul E. Scherer*<br>Rev. Gould Wickey* " |

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS that this roster of appointees be confirmed by the Executive Board."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 7. 1949 Financial Contribution to Federal Council of Churches

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

"On March 1, 1949 the following letter was written by Dr. Samuel McCrea Cavert, general secretary of the Federal Council of Churches to Secretary Reinartz:

> " 'I warmly appreciate your letter of February 15 enclosing the check for $4,000 as the final payment on the contribution of the United Lutheran Church to the Federal Council.
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> " 'I am immensely grateful to you for the invaluable help in securing the increase in the Lutheran support.
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> " 'As you know we are making substantial progress in securing a larger measure of the financial support of the council direct from the denominations. Do you think we might reasonably hope for a contribution of $10,000 from the United Lutheran Church for 1949?'

"The U.L.C.A., having a consultative relationship to the Federal Council, is not expected to bear as great financial responsibility for the Council's budget as do communions having full membership. However, judged on the basis of the comparative membership, financial contributions and participation of the U.L.C.A., its appropriation of $8,000 to the Federal Council for 1949 is still quite out of line with that of other churches.

"The officers of the Church, at their meeting on March 10, 1949 considered the request of Dr. Cavert and informally recorded their support of it.

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board request the January, 1950 Joint Meeting of the Allocation Commission and the Executive Board to give favorable consideration to making an allocation of $2,000 to the Federal Council of Churches for 1949 bringing the total U.L.C.A. contribution to $10,000 for this year."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 8. National Study Conference on the Church and World Order, Participation in; Delegation to; Report on

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

"Our Commission to the Federal Council recommends U.L.C.A. participation in the National Study Conference on the Church and World Order to be sponsored by the Federal Council, in Cleveland, Ohio, March 8-11, 1949. This conference will be of the same type as the earlier Delaware and Cleveland conferences on this theme. The United Lutheran Church will be allowed ten representatives and the commission presents the following nominations:

"Blackwelder, Rev. Oscar F., D.D., 212 E. Capitol St., Washington, D. C.
Brehm, Cloide E., D.Sc., 1721 White Avenue, Knoxville, Tenn.
Diehl, Nona M., 1228 Spruce St., Philadelphia 7, Pa.
Letts, Rev. Harold C., 231 Madison Ave., New York 16, N. Y.
Miller, Rev. Harold S., D.D., 5313 Fourth Ave., Brooklyn 20, N. Y.
Nolde, Rev. O. Frederick, Ph.D., 7602 East Lane, Wyndmoor 18, Pa.
Ruff, Rev. G. Elson, Litt.D., 1228 Spruce St., Philadelphia 7, Pa.
Scherer, Rev. Paul E., D.D., 99 Claremont Ave., New York, N. Y.
Smith, Rev. G. Morris, D.D., Susquehanna University, Selinsgrove, Pa.
Stackel, Rev. Robert W., 615 Grant St., Pittsburgh, Pa.

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board confirm these nominations."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"On motion the secretary cast the ballot of the Executive Board for the following as representatives to the National Study Conference on the Church and World Order: Rev. Oscar F. Blackwelder; Cloide E. Brehm; Miss Nona M. Diehl; Rev. Harold C. Letts; Rev. Harold S. Miller; Rev. O. Frederick Nolde; Rev. G. Elson Ruff; Rev. Paul E. Scherer; Rev. G. Morris Smith; Rev. Robert W. Stackel. The president declared them elected."

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the president reported as follows:

"Two of the representatives of the United Lutheran Church to the National Study Conference on the Church and World Order held in Cleveland, Ohio, March 8-11, 1949, under the auspices of the Federal Council of Churches, were unable to attend this conference because of other conflicting duties. These two representatives were the Rev. Oscar F. Blackwelder and Dr. Cloide E. Brehm. The president appointed Mr. Howard S. Bechtolt and the Rev. Carveth P. Mitchell as replacements."

This item was received as information.

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

"The report of the United Lutheran Church's ten delegates to the Cleveland Study Conference on the Churches and World Order is herewith submitted.

> "'*Report of the delegates*
> *to*
> "'*The Third National Study Conference on the Churches and World Order*
>
> "'March 8-11, 1949, Cleveland, Ohio
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> "'The central theme of the second Cleveland Study Conference was "the moral use of American power." This power was discussed as it may be applied through *the United Nations* which was the subject for study of Section I of the conference as it relates to the expression of American Policy in Europe, the subject matter of Section II; and as it relates to the American Policy in the Far East, the topic of Section III.
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> "'The background of all three subjects with the guiding principles of the churches for World Order were presented at the plenary sessions of the opening day by John Foster Dulles, Walter M. Horton, Francis B. Sayre, G. Bromley Oxnam, Mrs. Leslie E. Swain, and Howard Y. McClusky.
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> "'Following these introductory statements, the three sections worked on their own respective subjects under the leadership of a chairman and a

secretary, and with the aid of a findings committee for each section. After working a day and a half on their own topics, the three sections reconvened in plenary session on Thursday afternoon to consider the formulation of the Message of the Cleveland Conference as it might be reflected in the reports of the three sections.

" 'A central Message Committee composed of top leaders of the conference was largely responsible for the final form of the message of the Cleveland Conference. On this drafting committee, the Rev. O. Frederick Nolde rendered valuable and tireless service. He was also selected to be chairman of Section I on "The Churches and the United Nations" and presented an able report on "Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms." The Rev. Harold C. Letts served on findings committee of Section I which dealt with the guiding principles of the churches for World Order, and Dr. C. Franklin Koch was on findings committee of Section V which reported on the Church's Strategy of World Order Education and Action.

" 'The delegation convener, the Rev. Harold S. Miller, assembled the ten representatives from the U.L.C.A. on the first day, at which time it was agreed to parcel out our Lutheran delegates among the three working sections as follows:

Section I—Harold C. Letts, O. Frederick Nolde, Robert W. Stackel
Section II—C. Franklin Koch, G. Elson Ruff, C. P. Mitchell, H. S. Bechtolt
Section III—Harold S. Miller, Nona M. Diehl, G. Morris Smith

### *Evaluation*

" 'Your delegates found the Study Conference eminently worth while, and are grateful for the opportunity of being present. The conference was significant because of the high importance of its theme, its relevancy to the critical time in which we live, its opportunity of gathering men of various shades of Christian profession into one body for the purpose of allowing the light of Christ to be focused on the tensions of the world; its final result in a message of high order, and with tremendous possibilities, under God, of bringing peace to the suffering peoples of our world.

" 'We recommend the implementation of the message of the conference in every congregation of the U.L.C.A.

" 'From their experience at this conference your delegates would respectfully offer the following suggestions to our U.L.C.A. Commission to the Federal Council:

" '1. The desirability of having a full delegation present in addition to as many of our representatives in the Department of International Justice and Good Will as possible.

" '2. The desirability of naming among the delegation one or more persons with long, practical experience in the countries to be discussed.

" '3. The value of preserving some continuity in the delegation by recommending for election by the Executive Board one or more delegations with experience at a previous study conference.

" 'All delegates arrived on the first day and remained until the last, a fact which would indicate the deep challenge of the conference and the appreciative response of your delegates to the charge committeed to them.

" 'Respectfully submitted,
" 'H. S. Bechtolt
Nona M. Diehl
Harold C. Letts
Harold S. Miller
Carveth P. Mitchell
O. Frederick Nolde
G. Elson Ruff
G. Morris Smith
Robert W. Stackel'

"The question might be raised whether this report should be received by the U.L.C.A. Commission to the Federal Council or by the Executive Board, especially in view of the fact that the three recommendations in the report are addressed to the Commission. Your committee is of the opinion that since the ten delegates to the Cleveland Conference were appointed by the Executive Board it is the proper body to receive the report of the committee. The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS:

"a) That the Executive Board receive the report as information and

"b) That the Executive Board instruct the secretary to refer the three recommendations in the report to the U.L.C.A. Commission to the Federal Council for its possible consideration whenever delegates to similar conferences are to be nominated in the future."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 9. National Study Conference on the Church and Economic Life, Detroit, Michigan, February 16-19, 1950

*(a) The U.L.C.A. Delegation*

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

"Under the sponsorship of the Federal Council's Department of the Church and Economic Life a National Study Conference on the Church and Economic Life will be held in the Statler Hotel, Detroit, Michigan, February 16-19, 1950. The conference will include about 400 delegates. Over the signature of the department's executive secretary, the Rev. Cameron P. Hall, an invitation has been extended to the United Lutheran Church to send 20 delegates to this conference. Should the United Lutheran Church decide to participate in the conference, we are asked to observe the following occupational quotas as closely as possible:

"From Agriculture, 15 per cent

From Business, 15 per cent

From Labor, 15 per cent

From the general lay public (Organized consumers 10 Lay occupations 30)

From the clergy, 15 per cent

"The Commission of the U.L.C.A. to the FCCCA nominates to the Executive Board as representatives of the U.L.C.A. at the 1950 Study Conference on the Church and Economic Life the two representatives of the U.L.C.A. on the FCCCA's Department of the Church and Economic Life, viz., Mr. Charles H. Esser and the Rev. Frederick E. Reissig, and also the Rev. C. Franklin Koch, executive secretary of the Board of Social Missions, and in addition one person from each of the six categories listed above as follows: Dr. Cloide Brehm (Agriculture), Mr. Ashley Totten (Labor), Rev. Rufus Cornelsen (Clergy, with special interest in consumers' co-operatives), Mr. Paul I. Gulden (Lay Occupations, investments and general finance), Rev. Harold C. Letts (Clergy), and Mr. Robert Bowe (Business), making a delegation of nine.

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS that the United Lutheran Church participate in this Study Conference and that the nominees submitted by the Commission be appointed by the Executive Board to represent the U.L.C.A. at the 1950 Conference on the Church and Economic Life and that in case of declinations the officers of the Church be authorized to fill the vacancies."

The Recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report:

*(b) Changes in U.L.C.A. Delegation*

"By action of the Executive Board at its October 1949 meeting, (Minutes p. 486, item [b]) the officers were authorized to fill any vacancies in the delegation of nine persons chosen to represent the U.L.C.A. at the National Study Conference on the Church and Economic Life, to be held in Detroit, Michigan, February 16-19, 1950, under the auspices of the Department of the Church and Economic Life of the Federal Council of Churches.

"Two persons have found it necessary to decline the Executive Board's invitation to attend this conference, namely, Messrs. Charles H. Esser and Robert F. Bowe. In their places the officers have appointed the Hon. A. P. Haake, Mayor of Park Ridge, Illinois, member of our Board of Social Missions, and Mr. Walter W. Ross, Assistant Vice President of the Manufacturer's Trust Company, New York, and member of our Investment Commission."

The report was received as information.

*(c) Report of U.L.C.A. Delegation*

"All nine persons chosen to represent the U.L.C.A. at the second Conference on the Church and Economic Life, sponsored by the Department of the Church and Economic Life, of the FCCCA, were able to attend its sessions. Letters received from four of our delegates, and spoken comments of several of them, testify to the sense of privilege and profit which was theirs in attending the Detroit meeting.

"The following report, written by the Rev. C. Franklin Koch, Convener of the U.L.C.A. delegation, together with a copy of the booklet giving the Detroit Conference 'Statement' and Reports, (its title is *The Responsibility of Christians in an Interdependent Economic World)* has been mailed to members of the Executive Board and our commissioners to the FCCCA. The booklet is being mailed to all U.L.C.A. pastors by the Board of Social Missions.

### " 'REPORT
### OF
### U.L.C.A. REPRESENTATIVES
### TO THE
### CONFERENCE ON THE CHURCH AND ECONOMIC LIFE

Detroit, Michigan, February 16-19, 1950

" 'The Gospel is concerned with all the activities of man, individual and social. Therefore, the Christian faith is relevant to the economic order. The Church, as the custodian of "the sacred and imperishable message of eternal salvation," is charged with a fourfold duty as Christians in fellowship confront the economic life. It must be the "teacher of the principles of conduct; a voice of judgment; a guardian of moral and spiritual values already won; and the herald of a better day."

" 'The above paragraph, the opening one of the General Conference Statement, expresses the basic policy of the Church in studying its relationship to economic life. At least that was the opinion of 412 of the 413 delegates present at the Detroit Conference on The Church and Economic Life, February 16-19, 1950, who voted to approve it.

" 'The Conference was called by the Department of the Church and Economic Life of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America because of "a conviction that it is good for the followers of Christ to help one another come to grips with some of the great economic problems of our day."

" 'The topics presented for study, on which preconference papers had been carefully worked out by competent committees and copies sent to each delegate for previous study were:

" 'A. "The Individual: Conflicting Motives and Claims"

" 'B. "Organized Groups: Freedom of Enterprise and Social Controls"

" 'C. "The World: The American Economy in Relation to World Needs and Resources"

" 'D. "The Churches: Their Program in Relation to Economic Life" (This topic was studied by all delegates.)

" 'After from seven to eight hours study of Topics A, B, and C by groups of delegates, Findings committees composed of the chairman, secretary and members appointed by each group, worked until the "wee small" hours reconciling the different views expressed and the recommended changes in study papers. These revisions were then presented, first to the groups and then to a plenary session where they were subject to further revisions. While no one present thought the last word had been said on any subject, it was the opinion of a large majority that helpful positions had been attained, and that the Conference would aid other Christians in formulating their own views on vital economic questions.

" 'The United Lutheran Church was represented by the following delegates officially appointed by the Executive Board on nomination by the U.L.C.A. Commission to the Federal Council:

" 'Dr. Cloide Brehm, Secretary for Group I, Topic C
Rev. Rufus Cornelsen, Group Secretary, Topic D
Mr. Paul I. Gulden
Dr. Alfred P. Haake
Dr. Franklin Koch, Member of Department of Church and Economic Life and member of Program Committee
Rev. Harold C. Letts
Dr. Frederick E. Reissig, Member Committee on General Conference Statement
Mr. Walter W. Ross
Mr. Ashley Totten, Member Committee on General Conference Statement

" 'It is the opinion of the delegates that it is important for the United Lutheran Church to be represented at such conferences; that our delegates can and do make their contribution which helps in reaching satisfactory conclusions. Individually and collectively they express their appreciation for the privilege and honor accorded them.

" 'C. Franklin Koch, Convener' "

The report was received as information.

### 10. Nomination to Committee on Religious Tolerance, FCCCA, Rev. F. R. Knubel

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Committee on Religious Tolerance, with which the U.L.C.A. has been co-operating, and to whose membership the Rev. F. R. Knubel was appointed by the president of the Church, was officially made a committee of the FCCCA at its Executive Committee meeting on September 20, 1949.

"Inasmuch as all appointments to FCCCA commissions and committees are made by the Executive Board following nomination by the U.L.C.A. Commission to the FCCCA, the Commission recommends that the Executive Board elect the Rev. F. R. Knubel as the U.L.C.A. representative to the FCCCA Committee on Religious Tolerance.

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS that the Rev. F. R. Knubel be approved as the U.L.C.A. representative to the FCCCA Committee on Religious Tolerance."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 11. Additions to U.L.C.A. Representation in FCCCA Department of Church and Economic Life: Rev. C. Franklin Koch; Mr. Ashley Totten

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

"The FCCCA Department on the Church and Economic Life, after reviewing the roster of persons nominated for membership on the department committee found that there was lacking representation of organized labor, and through its executive secretary, the Rev. Cameron P. Hall, requested the U.L.C.A. Commission to consider nominating additional U.L.C.A. representatives on the department committee.

"The U.L.C.A. Commission looks with favor upon this request and nominates to the Executive Board Dr. C. Franklin Koch, the executive secretary of the U.L.C.A. Board of Social Missions and Mr. Ashley Totten as additional U.L.C.A. representatives on the FCCCA Department of the Church and Economic Life. Mr. Totten is the secretary-treasurer of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters and is a member of our Transfiguration Lutheran Church, 74 W. 126th Street, New York, N. Y.

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS that these nominees be approved by the Executive Board."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 12. Participation in FCCCA Committee on Interchange of Speakers and Preachers; Representative President Franklin C. Fry

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

"At the May 17, 1949 meeting of the FCCCA Executive Committee, authorization was given for the establishment of a FCCCA Committee on Interchange of Speakers and Preachers. This committee is responsible for the selection of laymen and clergymen who will go to other lands on preaching and lecturing missions. It is also responsible for arranging itineraries for speakers sent to this country by mutual agreement with councils of churches in other countries. This activity was formerly sponsored by the Church Peace Union.

"Before this committee's work was taken over by the FCCCA, the Rev. Charles Trexler served as a committeeman. The Rev. Robert D. Hershey, the Rev. Robert F. Weiskotten and the Rev. Warren C. Johnson are among the pastors who have served recently on missions sponsored by the FCCCA committee.

"The U.L.C.A. Commission to the FCCCA at its meeting on February 10, 1950 recommended: that the Executive Board be requested to authorize participation of the U.L.C.A. in the work of the FCCCA Committee on Interchange of Speakers and Preachers; and, that President Franklin C. Fry be nominated to the Executive Board for membership on the FCCCA Committee on Interchange of Speakers and Preachers. (Commission Minutes, p. 10.)

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS that

"(a) the Executive Board approve participation by the U.L.C.A. in the FCCCA Committee on Interchange of Speakers and Preachers, and, that

"(b) the Executive Board approve the service of President Franklin Clark Fry on the FCCCA Committee on Interchange of Speakers and Preachers."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 13. Federal Council of Churches, Department of National Religious Radio Discontinued, Protestant Radio Commission Established

(See VIII, E, 5, p. 507, of this report.)

## B. CONFERENCE ON FAITH AND ORDER

*(No items)*

## C. WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES AND WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES: CONFERENCE OF U.S.A. MEMBER CHURCHES

### *1. Power to Approve Applications for Membership in the World Council of Churches.

(For action, see p. 874)

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

"The second article of the constitution of the World Council of Churches as finally adopted at Amsterdam is in part as follows:

> " 'Those Churches shall be eligible for membership in the World Council of Churches which express their agreement with the basis upon which the Council is founded and satisfy such criteria as the Assembly or the Central Committee may prescribe.
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> " 'Election to membership shall be by a two-thirds vote of the member churches represented at the Assembly, each member Church having one vote. Any application for membership between meetings of the Assembly may be considered by the Central Committee; if the application is supported by a two-thirds majority of the members of the committee present and voting, this action shall be communicated to the churches that are members of the World Council of Churches, and unless objection is received from more than one-third of the member churches within six months the applicant shall be declared elected.'

"Since the Central Committee of the World Council of Churches will meet at least once every year and since only a six months' period of grace is allowed for objections, it is essential that the Executive Board shall have power conferred upon it to act in this matter in behalf of the United Lutheran Church. It is highly desirable that the United Lutheran Church adopt a principle similar to that adopted at the 1948 U.L.C.A. Convention (cf, Minutes, p. 231) regarding the approval of amendments to the constitution of the Lutheran World Federation. The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships **Recommends:**

"That the Executive Board recommend to the 1950 convention of the United Lutheran Church the adoption of the following principle:

> " 'Inasmuch as the second article of the constitution of the World Council of Churches specifies that "any application for membership between meetings of the Assembly may be considered by the Central Committee; if the application is supported by a two-thirds majority of the members of the Committee present and voting, this action shall be communicated to the churches that are members of the World Council of Churches, and unless objection is received from more than one-third of the member churches within six months the applicant shall be declared elected" the United Lutheran Church empower its Executive Board to concur in or object to such applications for membership on its behalf if a regular convention of the Church will not be held within six months after the meeting of the Central Committee of the World Council of Churches which submits them.' "

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 2. Churches Elected to Membership in World Council of Churches

*(a) Four Churches Elected to Membership*

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report:

"In accordance with the second article of the constitution of the World Council of Churches, four churches were elected to membership at the meeting of the Central Committee in Woudschoten, Holland, on September 4-6, 1948, as follows:

"The Baptist Union of Denmark
The Dyak Evangelical Church of South Borneo
The Toradja Church (The Church of Central Celebes)
The United Church of Christ in the Philippines (replacing the United Evangelical Church of the Philippines which united with other groups to form this more inclusive Church)

"Since the provisional period of six months expired at the beginning of this April no action is required by our Church in this matter. Your committee submits this list of elections for the information of the Executive Board."

This item was received as information.

### (b) *Moravian Church in Great Britain and Ireland Elected to Membership*

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report:

"At the annual meeting of the Central Committee of the World Council of Churches at Chichester, England, on July 9-15, 1949, the Moravian Church in Great Britain and Ireland was elected to membership in the World Council of Churches under the terms of the second article of its constitution. Since the Executive Board has not yet been empowered to act in behalf of the United Lutheran Church in approving or objecting to such applications for membership this new instance of the addition of a new member-church to the World Council is reported merely for information. Happily it is certain that the U.L.C.A. would approve the acceptance of the Moravian Church in Great Britain and Ireland."

This item was received as information.

## 3. World Council of Churches: Conference of U.S.A. Member Churches

### (a) *Approval to Organize Sought from Executive Committee of World Council Central Committee*

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report:

"For the information of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presents the following statements from President Fry:

> " 'That arrangements for the "World Council of Churches Conference of U.S.A. Member Churches" are under way. This is an alternate and even more attractive solution of the problem centering around representation of World Council interests in the United States than the first plan of using the Friends of the World Council would have been. The Amsterdam report speaks of that.
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> " 'That, subject to approval of the whole idea by the Executive Committee of the World Council, a first meeting of the new U.S.A. Conference will be held in Chicago on March 21-23, 1949.
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> " 'The proposed conference is strictly representative of the churches. Its outline conforms to our preferences in practically every detail. The delegates to the Amsterdam Assembly are the delegates to this conference.' "

This item was received as information.

### (*b*) *Structural Basis for World Council of Churches: Conference of U.S.A. Member Churches*

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report:

"The Executive Committee of the Central Committee of the World Council of Churches, meeting in Switzerland on February 8-10, 1949, adopted a structural basis for a 'Conference of U.S.A. Member Churches' to serve the interests of the World Council and carry on its work in the United States, as follows:

" 'WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

" '*Action of the Executive Committee of the Central Committee regarding World Council of Churches Organization in the U.S.A.*

" 'VOTED:

" '(1) Whereas, the meeting of the Central Committee of the World Council of Churches at Woudschoten, Holland, September 4-6, 1948, recognized that the churches are the constituent members of the World Council and must have direct relationship to it but agreed that nothing should be done to disturb the already existing fellowship or ecumenical organization within any nation or region; and

" '(2) Whereas, the Committee II Policy Report, which was adopted by the Assembly in Section 5 (*b*) (ii) specifically recommends that national and regional councils be encouraged to undertake a large responsibility for promotion of ecumenical interest in their own territory and thereby indicates one contemplated method by which the work of the World Council is to be carried on; and

" '(3) Whereas, the American Committee for the World Council having completed the task of organization for which it was constituted is in process of dissolution, and Whereas, there will be no body or organization in the U.S.A. embracing all the member churches which could adequately serve as an agency through which the World Council might maintain contact with, and carry out its work among, all the U.S.A. member churches; and

" '(4) Whereas, it is recognized that effectively to carry on its work in the U.S.A. the World Council must have some agency or body which will embody appropriate representation of all U.S.A. member churches, and within the policies of the World Council of Churches and its Central Committee, co-operate with the New York Office and Staff of the World Council of Churches; therefore

" 'RESOLVED:

" '1. That there should be set up in the U.S.A. by the Central Committee a body or agency to be known as

*The World Council of Churches:*
*Conference of U.S.A. Member Churches*

the purpose of which will be, in consultation with existing interdenominational and ecumenical bodies, to aid the World Council of Churches and its Central Committee in implementing their policies in the U.S.A.

" '2. That this Conference of U.S.A. Member Churches shall be composed of

" '(i) The delegates and alternates selected by the denominations for the Amsterdam Assembly or such successors or substitutes as the respective denominations may from time to time designate, and

" '(ii) Fraternal delegates from the following ecumenical organizations as consultants without vote to the "Conference of U.S.A. Member Churches" and its Executive Committee:

The Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America

The Foreign Missions Conference of North America
The United Council of Church Women
The International Council of Religious Education
The International Missionary Council
The World Council of Christian Education
The Canadian Council of Churches

and to the "Conference of U.S.A. Member Churches:"

The Home Missions Council
The National Protestant Council on Higher Education
The United Christian Youth Movement
The United Student Christian Council
Church World Service
Young Men's Christian Association
Young Women's Christian Association
The World's Christian Endeavor Union

"'(iii) Such additional consultants as may from time to time be added to the Conference or its sub-committees by vote of the Conference, or its Executive Committee. Such consultants shall have vote in their subcommittees, but shall be without vote in the "Conference of U.S.A. Member Churches."

"'3. That this "Conference of U.S.A. Member Churches" shall have the right, within the policies adopted by the Assembly and Central Committee, to adopt all necessary rules and regulations concerning its organization and functioning, provided that the chairman shall always be the senior active officer in the U.S.A. of the World Council, and further provided that it shall meet at least annually and formulate a report for the Central Committee.

"'4. That this "Conference of U.S.A. Member Churches" shall have an Executive Committee which shall, between meetings of the conference, carry out the duties and work of the conference, and that this Executive Committee

"'(i) shall be composed of the members of the Central Committee who are resident in the U.S.A. plus one member, to be designated by the Church, from each of the U.S.A. member Churches not already represented.

"'(ii) shall have the right to adopt all necessary rules and regulations regarding

"'*(a)* attendance at meetings
"'*(b) organization and procedures and*
"'*(c) time and place of meetings*

"'(iii) shall have the power to appoint such subcommittees as it shall deem advisable for work in promotion and program.

"'5. That it is recommended that the World Council of Churches recognize a voluntary association in the U.S.A. to be known as the American Friends of the World Council, Inc. providing that such steps as are necessary are taken to assure that its board of directors shall always be composed of those persons who are the then members of the Executive Committee of the "Conference of U.S.A. Member Churches."

### "'*Action Regarding Budget of the Conference of U.S.A. Member Churches*

"'VOTED:

"'To request the Executive Committee of the Central Committee of the World Council of Churches to authorize the proposed "Conference of U. S. A. Member Churches" to adopt on its own responsibility an additional budget, not to exceed $50,000 for 1949, for supplementary services and support in the U.S.A. of the World Council of Churches, including costs of raising funds, and to request that the items covered by this budget be recognized as part of the total World Council of Churches program in the U.S.A. It is recognized that the Conference of U.S.A. Member Churches carries sole responsibility for meeting this budget.'

"Your Committee on Interdenominational Relationships submits this structural basis for the information of the Executive Board."

This item was received as information.

*(c) First Meeting of the World Council of Churches: Conference of U.S.A. Member Churches*

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report:

"The United Lutheran Church in America was represented by a delegation of six when the now 'World Council of Churches: Conference of U.S.A. Member Churches' was convened for the first time at Evanston, Illinois, March 21-22, 1949. Three of our Church's elected delegates and three of our alternates to the Amsterdam Assembly of the World Council were present: Drs. Fry, Stoughton, Mrs. Almond, Drs. Empie, Nolde and Miss Wiegand.

"This first meeting of the conference occupied itself chiefly with a discovery of the conference's character and functions, its organization, questions of finance, immediate plans for furthering the activities of the World Council of Churches in the United States, and the hearing of addresses.

"The Conference of U.S.A. Member Churches is a committee of the World Council of Churches. As such, it has three assigned functions:

(a) to strengthen the liaison between the World Council and its member churches in the United States;

(b) to carry out the work of the World Council in the United States within the Council's own adopted policies; and

(c) to co-operate with the New York office and staff of the World Council.

"The Evanston meeting clearly recognized this committee status both positively and negatively. Positively, the conference charted its own procedures in accordance with this definition of its purpose. Negatively, the conference realized that it is not another semiautonomous, interdenominational organization, either duplicating the activities of similar existing organizations or intertwining its life freely with theirs.

"Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, as a president of the World Council of Churches, is exofficio the chairman of the conference by the terms of the instrument which has brought it into being. Dr. Fry, as vice-chairman of the Central Committee of the World Council, was elected vice-chairman. Dr. Henry Smith Leiper, senior associate secretary of the World Council in America, is the conference's general secretary and the Rev. Robert S. Bilheimer, program secretary in New York, is its recording secretary.

"The member churches of the World Council have direct responsibility to provide for their proportionate shares in the World Council's budget. In an encouraging number of instances, U.S.A. churches have promised these contributions in full from their central treasuries. If communions find this procedure difficult or impossible, the promotional staff of the conference will assist them upon request to solicit gifts from their congregations or individual members up to their assigned quotas, with the understanding that no more than 15 per cent of the receipts from such solicitation will be used to defray all expenses of this service. The cost of such assistance shall not become a charge against the funds either of the World Council of Churches or of the conference. In addition, the Conference of U.S.A. Member Churches at its meeting in Evanston adopted a budget of its own for the year totaling $49,917 with which to amplify the central funds of the World Council available for the financing of World Council activities in the United States. This conference budget is to be raised entirely by appeals to foundations and individuals. These appeals are to be directed principally to past donors to the former American Committee for the World Council of Churches. The Executive Board will note that an additional budget of this type for the conference was sanctioned by the Executive Committee of the Central Committee of the World Council in an amount not to exceed $50,000. The member churches will not be expected to give any funds to the conference itself.

"Immediate World Council activities which the Conference of U.S.A. Member Churches will aid in 1949 are:

> (1) three major inquiries of the Study Department of the World Council, on 'Evangelism in the Mass Society,' 'The Responsible Society' and 'The Bible and the Church's Message to the World;'
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> (2) preparations for a North American conference of laymen;
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> (3) selection of attendants at conferences and courses at the Ecumenical Institute at Bossey, Switzerland and distribution of literature of the Institute;
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> (4) Faith and Order studies;
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> (5) collaboration with the Commission of the Churches on International Affairs.

"Since Church World Service is one of the principal channels of financial support for the Department of Reconstruction and Inter-Church aid of the World Council, the conference expressed its readiness to become one of the 'founder bodies' of Church World Service as the successor of the American Committee for the World Council of Churches.

"For addresses figured in the Evanston meeting. Two of them, by Bishop Oxnam and Mr. Charles P. Taft, occurred during the earlier sessions. The United Lutheran Church had the unusual distinction of furnishing both speakers for the concluding dinner: Dr. Nolde on 'The World Council and International Affairs' and Dr. Fry on 'The Meaning of the World Council of Churches.'

"Your Committee on Interdenominational Relationships submits this report for the information of the Executive Board."

This item was received as information.

*(d) Second Annual Meeting of World Council of Churches: Conference of U.S.A. Member Churches*

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report:

"Drs. Paul C. Empie, Franklin Clark Fry and Abdel Ross Wentz represented The United Lutheran Church in America at the second annual meeting of the 'World Council of Churches: Conference of U.S.A. Member Churches' at Buck Hill Falls, Pa., March 22-23, 1950. Eighty official representatives were present from twenty-one of the twenty-nine American denominations affiliated with the World Council. Dr. Fry, as vice-chairman of the Central Committee of the World Council of Churches and of this U.S.A. Conference, presided.

"The 1950 conference meeting was built around the studies of three sections on (1) Inter-church Aid, (2) Public Relations and (3) Study. Three addresses added significantly to the meeting:

(1) by Bishop Angus Dun of Washington on, 'How can the task which the Churches have in common in the World Council be thrown back on the *total life of the member churches?'*

(2) by Canon Leonard Hodgson, theological secretary of the Faith and Order Commission, regarding the approaching Faith and Order Conference in 1952, and

(3) by Dr. John A. Mackay on Christianity in East Asia.

"Bishop Dun's address effectively held the mirror up to all the participating communions asking, 'How shall we actualize on continents, in countries, in neighborhoods, the measure of unity we have formalized in world terms and at top levels?' He observed that the ecumenical contacts of most churches are peripheral and that there are no established channels for the concerns of the World Council to be registered effectively at the centers of planning and authority in most communions.

"In response to this stimulus the Conference voted 'to urge all member churches which have not already done so to designate a responsible agency including at least one staff person to serve as an organ of relationship with the Conference of U.S.A. Member Churches.' The United Lutheran Church has already fulfilled this desire in a far above-the-average way through the medium of this annual report to its Executive Board and the service of the president of the Church as an officer of the Conference.

"It was further voted to 'transmit to the member churches a prospectus of the total study projects now being carried out under the direction of the World Council inviting them in their several ways to enlarge their members' outlook.'

"The acute financial emergency of the Department of Inter-Church Aid and Service to Refugees of the World Council was underlined at this meeting through the presence of Dr. Robert C. Mackay, its secretary in charge. The sobering realization was brought home to everyone present that, because of the heavy commitments of Church World Service for other phases of relief, notably in the resettlement of displaced persons, extraordinary efforts will have to be exerted to obtain the $591,000 necessary for the operations of the World Council Department from increased contributions from the Protestant and Orthodox churches of the United States. Dr. Empie made a superior contribution to the meeting by composing an exceptionally able appeal to the churches. This appeal has since been responded to generously by the Executive Committee of the National Lutheran Council in our behalf.

"As one of the 'founder members' of Church World Service, the U.S.A. Conference 'approved the purpose of Church World Service to cease to operate as a separate, administrative and operating agency under its present certificate of incorporation on April 1, 1951, in the expectation that by that time Church World Service will arrange for the transfer to another body of those aspects of its program which the churches regard as essential.'

"The U.L.C.A. was one of twelve communions which met in full its quota for the central budget of the World Council in 1949. Total contributions toward the budget from U.S.A. member churches amounted to $201,567.04. Additional gifts from individuals raised the total U.S.A. contributions to $220,259.08.

"This 1950 meeting found the U.S.A. Conference gaining new solidarity and strength." This item was received as information.

(e) *Officers empowered to Approve Appointments to Committees and Commissions of World Council of Churches: Conference of U.S.A. Member Churches, and World Council of Churches Itself*

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

"As the World Council of Churches: Conference of U.S.A. Member Churches develops its studies and services, it will be setting up committees and commissions. Our policy has been to have participation and appointment of U.L.C.A. representatives on the committees and commissions of the Federal Council of Churches cleared by the Executive Board before such appointments are considered official. One of the reasons for following this procedure is that the membership of The United Lutheran Church in America in the Federal Council of Churches is a limited one. The membership of our Church in the World Council of Churches is full and unqualified. This allows our participation in all World Council of Churches' activities. However, your committee's judgment is that all *personnel* representing the U.L.C.A. should be authorized to do so by the Church.

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board empower the officers of the Church to approve persons suggested for appointment to or election by the World Council of Churches and/or the World Council of Churches: Conference of U.S.A. Member Churches for service in their commissions and committees."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

*(f) U.L.C.A. Representatives on Committees of World Council of Churches: Conference of U.S.A. Member Churches*

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report:

"In accordance with the action of the Executive Board at its August 1949 meeting, the officers report having given approval to the membership on committees of the World Council of Churches: Conference of U.S.A. Member Churches, of the following persons:

U.L.C.A. representatives to
    *Church World Service Corporation*
        Principal—Rev. Franklin Clark Fry
        Alternate—Rev. P. C. Empie
    *Committee on Interpretation and Support*
        Rev. F. Eppling Reinartz
    *Ecumenical Institute Correspondents*
        Rev. George F. Harkins
        Rev. Joseph W. Frease
    *Study Committee* (to supervise three current World Council Study projects)
        Rev. Harold C. Letts"

This item was received as information.

**4. The World Council of Churches and the Plight of Christians in Palestine**

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report:

"The Executive Board's formal address to the World Council of Churches regarding the desperate plight of Christians in Palestine and the response of the World Council to their need was presented by Dr. Fry at the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Central Committee of the World Council of Churches at the Chateau de Bossey in

Switzerland, February 8-10, 1949. The presentation precipitated a full and deeply concerned discussion of this grave issue.

"For the information of the Executive Board your committee submits the following official minute regarding this matter from the Executive Committee of the Central Committee of the World Council:

> " 'Dr. Fry called attention to the plight of the Christians who had suffered as a result of the conflict in Palestine. He expressed the wish that the World Council should send a representative to Palestine as a gesture of Christian solidarity. In this connection it was recalled that the Refugee Division had already sent help to the Christian refugees in that area. At the same time the C.C.I.A. had approached the government of Israel concerning the matter of church properties and had received an undertaking that these would be restored in due course.' "

This item was received as information.

**5. 1949 Budget of World Council of Churches**

The January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board received as information the following item in the report of the Finance Committee:

"The 1949 budget of the World Council of Churches which was adopted at Amsterdam totals $300,000, of which $240,000 has been assigned to churches in the United States. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, page 266.)

"In order to assure the raising of the full $240,000, a safety factor of $25,000, has been added and the resulting $265,000 has been apportioned among the U. S. churches belonging to the World Council.

"Two factors were used in calculating the shares of the several churches. The total congregational expenses of each denomination as reported to the United Stewardship Council in 1947 were one factor, subject to minor adjustments in favor of a few communions whose members are almost entirely from the lowest income groups. The other factor was the adult membership of each denomination as reported in the Year Book of American Churches, 1947. The weight given to the first factor in the figuring was 75 percent, with 25 percent given to the second factor. The resulting share of the United Lutheran Church in the World Council budget for 1949 is $14,641.51. Remaining obligations for the support of the World Council in 1948 amount to $3,000. $1,358.49 is proposed as a contribution to the American Committee for the World Council of Churches to liquidate its operations in anticipation of the organization of a responsible U.S.A. agency representing the U.S.A. member churches of the World Council of Churches."

**6. Commission on Orphaned Missions to the National Lutheran Council—re World Council of Churches**

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

"Dr. Edwin Moll presented a full report on the status of the Church and its institutions in Palestine and the Near East at a meeting of the Commission on Orphaned Missions, of the National Lutheran Council held recently in Chicago. He presented a tragic picture of need and even of neglect. He pictured the loss of opportunity and prestige suffered by the Church as a whole on account of its failure to meet the great crisis of the Church in these areas. He said, however, that the Lutheran Church, more than any other, has carried forward its task with great courage and faithfulness in that stricken land, with resulting high prestige for our Church and its representatives.

"Dr. Moll presented to the Commission on Orphaned Missions, the following resolution:

> "'That the Commission on Orphaned Missions, for the National Lutheran Council, petition the World Council of Churches to appoint a representative to the Near East to ascertain what steps world Protestants can take to save the imperiled Church in the Near East and to meet its responsibilities to the Arab refugees.'

"It can be seriously questioned whether the Commission on Orphaned Missions could assume the right to appeal to the World Council of Churches in the name of the National Lutheran Council or that it would be discreet for the National Lutheran Council to make the approach to the World Council of Churches. It is possible for the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church to make a specific statement to the World Council, or send a request that would embody the main content of Dr. Moll's resolution. A fortunate circumstance is that President Fry will be in Geneva on February 8-10, 1949, for a meeting of the Executive Committee of the World Council of Churches and so would be able to submit any statement or inquiry from this Board almost at once.

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS

"(*a*) That the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church respectfully call the attention of the World Council of Churches to the desperate plight of Protestant and Orthodox Christians in Palestine, thousands of whom have been expelled from their homes there and are now impoverished refugees as a result of the civil war.

"(*b*) That the Executive Board make courteous inquiry of the World Council of Churches as to what steps that body has considered to retrieve these tragic losses, and to demonstrate a proper depth of Christian sympathy and brotherhood to our Protestant and Orthodox brother Christians in the affected areas of the Middle East."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 7. The Ecclesiological Significance of the World Council of Churches

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report:

"The most historic and notable event of lasting significance at the third meeting of the Central Committee of the World Council of Churches held in Toronto, Canada, from July 8 to July 15, 1950, was the framing of a gratifying statement on the ecclesiological significance of the World Council of Churches. The intention of this statement, entitled, 'The Church, the Churches and the World Council of Churches' is summarized as follows in an introduction: "The World Council of Churches represents a new and unprecedented approach to the problem of interchurch relationships. Its purpose and nature can be easily misunderstood. So it is salutary that we should state more clearly and definitely what the World Council is and what it is not.'"

"In order to clarify the concept of the World Council of Churches, this statement began with a series of negations 'so as to do away at the outset with certain misunderstandings which may easily arise or have already arisen.' This section in particular will meet high approval in the United Lutheran Church because it lays to rest finally and conclusively exaggerated and visionary notions of the World Council's character which disturbed our Church and which were advocated widely by enthusiasts prior to the Amsterdam Assembly and to a lesser degree since that time.

"The first and most emphatic sentences under the heading of Paragraph 1) of this section read: "It (the World Council) is not a Super-Church. It is not the World-Church. It is not the Una Sancta of which the Creeds speak."

"The paragraph headings of Sections III and IV of this document contain its essence as follows:

> " '1) The World Council of Churches is not and must never become a Super-Church.
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> " '2) The purpose of the World Council of Churches is not to negotiate unions between Churches, which can only be done by the Churches themselves acting on their own initiative, but to bring the Churches into living contact with each other and to promote the study and discussion of the issues of Church unity.
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> " '3) The World Council cannot and should not be based on any one particular conception of the Church. It does not prejudge the ecclesiological problem.
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> " '4) Membership in the World Council of Churches does not imply that a Church treats its own conception of the Church as merely relative.
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> " '5) Membership in the World Council does not imply the acceptance of a specific doctrine concerning the nature of Church unity.'
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> *"The assumptions underlying the World Council of Churches*
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> " '1) The member Churches of the Council believe that conversation, cooperation and common witness of the Churches must be based on the common recognition that Christ is the Divine Head of the Body.
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> " '2) The member Churches of the World Council believe on the basis of the New Testament that the Church of Christ is one.
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> " '3) The member Churches recognize that the membership of the Church of Christ is more inclusive than the membership of their own Church-body. They seek, therefore, to enter into living contact with those outside their own ranks who confess the Saviorhood of Christ.
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> " '4) The member Churches of the World Council consider the relationship of other Churches to the Holy Catholic Church which the Creeds profess as a subject for mutual consideration. Nevertheless, membership does not imply that each Church must regard the other member Churches as Churches in the true and full sense of the word.
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> " '5) The member Churches of the World Council recognize in other Churches elements of the true Church. They consider that this mutual recognition obliges them to enter into a serious conversation with each other in the hope that these elements of truth will lead to the recognition of the full truth and to unity based on the full truth.
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> " '6) The member Churches of the Council are willing to consult together in seeking to learn of the Lord Jesus Christ what witness He would have them to bear to the world in His Name.
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> " '7) A further practical implication of common membership in the World Council is that the member Churches should recognize their solidarity with each other, render assistance to each other in case of need, and refrain from such actions as are incompatible with brotherly relationships.
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> " '8) The member Churches enter into spiritual relationships through which they seek to learn from each other and to give help to each other in order that the Body of Christ may be built up and that the life of the Churches may be renewed.'

"The Central Committee voted to receive this statement and to commend it for study and comment in the churches. Copies of the statement will be available in the President's office for this purpose to the members of this board and to any other interested person in the United Lutheran Church."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 8. Theme of Second Assembly of World Council of Churches

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report:

"The Central Committee of the World Council of Churches, meeting at Toronto on July 8-15, 1950 framed proposed themes for the second assembly of the World Council of Churches which will meet, God willing, at Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois, in the latter half of August, 1953. It further voted to communicate these themes 'immediately to the member Churches with a request for comments on them' with the understanding that the final form of the themes will be determined after consideration of the comments of the Churches by the Executive Committee of the World Council in February 1951 and by the Central Committee in August 1951.

"The Study Department Committee of the World Council is to take steps 'to frame a commission of not more than twenty-five of the most creative thinkers of the Churches to work on the preparation of the document which will be the basis for the consideration of the main theme of the Assembly.'

"The proposed general theme of the second assembly is described in the following statement:

> " 'The time has come when the World Council of Churches should make a serious attempt to declare, in relation to the modern world, the faith and hope which are affirmed in its own basis and by which the Churches live. The World is full of false hopes, of fear and of despair. Religious indifference is widespread. In the Churches, spiritual power and triumphant hope are not clearly manifest. Though there is much active evangelism, the old paganisms still maintain their power in many parts of the world, while on the other hand there are very few points at which the Church is breaking out of its isolation into the world of those who hold to such modern substitutes for the Gospel as communism and other political messianisms, scientific humanism, and certain forms of existentialism, or are indifferent to every religious or quasi-religious faith. The presence of secularism within the Churches is deeply marked. Now as always, man's greatest need is God's greatest opportunity. We think therefore that the main theme of the Assembly should be along the lines of the affirmation that *Jesus Christ as Lord is the only hope of both the Church and the world;* and that the subsidiary themes of the Assembly should be considered in relation to this central theme.'

"Six subsidiary themes, which are intended for intensive study during the second week of the assembly have been suggested as follows:

> " '1. A subject in the realm of Faith and Order, if so desired by the Lund Conference on Faith and Order.
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> " '2. The Responsible Society, with special reference to communism and other secular messianisms.
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> " '3. Evangelism with special reference to the evangelization of man in modern mass society, and to the missionary obligation of the Church.
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> " '4. Race relations.
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> " '5. The responsibility of the laity of the Church.
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> " '6. The Church's responsibility for international justice and peace.' "

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

*9. **New Member Churches of the World Council of Churches.** (For action, see p. 438)

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

Also at its Toronto meeting on July 8-15, 1950, the Central Committee of the World Council of Churches received formal applications for membership from four additional Churches:

"The Methodist Church of Ceylon
"The Synod of the Evangelical Church of North Iran (Prebyterian)

"The Church of Central Java (Presbyterian)
"The Federacao Sinodal of Brazil (Lutheran)

"The United Lutheran Church in America has a special reason for gratitude in the fact that the four formerly German synods in Brazil, only one of which was confessionally Lutheran according to its constitution until recently, have now competed their union as a confessional Lutheran Church comprising 431,000 members. The good offices and friendship of North American Lutherans were effective human factors in leading to this splendid consummation. According to the minute of the Central Committee, the Federacao Sinodal of Brazil states 'that it regards itself as a Church of Christ in Brazil and that it hopes in due course to express this character in its name.'

"The United Lutheran Church in America heartily welcomes this promising sister Lutheran Church as it enters the fellowship of the World Council of Churches, where it will become at once by far the largest and potentially the strongest member Church in South America.

"According to the second article of the constitution of the World Council of Churches (page 240, April 1949 minutes) Churches may be received into membership in the Council by a two-thirds vote of the Central Committee providing that objection is not received from more than one-third of the member Churches within six months. This Board in submitting to the 1950 convention a proposal that 'the United Lutheran Church empower its Executive Board to concur in or object to such applications for membership on its behalf if a regular convention of the Church will not be held within six months after the meeting of the Central Committee of the World Council of Churches which submits them.' "

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships Recommends that the Executive Board recommend to the 1950 convention that it concur in the applications for membership in the World Council of Churches of the above four Churches."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

## D. NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

### 1. Consultation of Certain U.L.C.A. Boards and Agencies on the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A., to Ask for Conference of Executive Heads of Member Communions of FCCCA

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

"The 1948 Convention of the U.L.C.A. took the following action (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 748):

> " 'Moved that this convention instruct the Executive Board to draw up a statement in consultation with the executive secretaries of certain U.L.C.A. boards and agencies, which statement the U.L.C.A. commission to the FCCCA and the boards and agencies related to interdenominational agencies planning to merge in the NCCCUSA would present to their cognate agencies asking them to seek through the NCCCUSA's Planning Committee a conference of the executive heads of the member churches of the FCCCA concerning the constitution of the NCCCUSA.'

"Inasmuch as the Planning Committee of NCCCUSA, hearing of the Philadelphia action above, promptly informed us through its Secretary, Dr. Earl F. Adams, that it was ready to hold a conference of the kind requested, this, in the judgment of the officers, seemed to make unnecessary the procedures set forth in the Philadelphia action. An informal conference is already planned for February 24 at our Church House. If a more formal meeting is required later the following recommendation will be useful:

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board ask the Federal Council of Churches to request the Planning Committee of the National Council of Churches of Christ in the U.S.A. to call a meeting of the executive heads of the member bodies of the Federal Council to consider certain basic difficulties in the proposed constitution of NCCCUSA."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report:

"As anticipated in this committee's report to the Executive Board in January (1949) the officers of the Planning Committee for the proposed National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A. invited ecclesiastical leaders of major denominations and the executives of the merging interdenominational agencies to meet with them on the afternoon and evening of February 24, 1949, at the Gramercy Park Hotel in New York. The purpose of the meeting was in part to meet the desire of the United Lutheran Church for a conference of heads of churches concerning the constitution of the National Council and particularly with regard to the difficulties which our Church finds in the way of its possible affiliation with this future council on the basis of the constitution as it now stands. The courtesy of the officers of the Planning Committee in taking the initiative for this meeting has relieved us of having to carry through the elaborate procedure for seeking such a conference which the 1948 convention had devised, (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 637). General satisfaction was voiced by many present at the opportunity which the meeting afforded. Surprise was confessed by a few that this was the first occasion during the years of negotiation for the National Council of Churches in which the ecclesiastical heads were directly consulted about its structure.

"High officials of the following churches were in attendance: Disciples of Christ, Evangelical and Reformed, Reformed Church in America, Methodist, Congregational Christian, Presbyterian U.S.A., Protestant Episcopal and Evangelical United Brethren, as well as the president and secretary of the United Lutheran Church and a representative of the president of the Augustana Lutheran Church. The chief executive officers of six of the seven combining interdenominational agencies also sat in the meeting along with the secretary and executive secretary of the Planning Committee. To the regret of everyone, Dr. Luther A. Weigle, the chairman of the Planning Committee, was prevented by illness from being present.

"Since all authority for drafting the constitution of the National Council has rested in the Planning Committee, the meeting was defined as entirely informal. The heads of communions had been invited solely as individuals without any thought that they could commit their churches to any course of action.

"President Fry was given an extended opportunity to present the convictions of the United Lutheran Church. He set forth in an irenic spirit the two basic principles (the evangelical principle and the representative principle) which our Church deems essential in all its interchurch relationships and then commented in detail upon the proposed constitution in the light of them. The reaction of the other conferees appeared to be highly encouraging and favorable. Our Church's careful analysis of the constitution was received with interest and appreciation. Several of those present volunteered a gratifying degree of approval of our views.

"Six specific changes in the constitution had been sketched and submitted in advance to President Fry by leaders of the Planning Committee, in the hope that these few alterations would solve the difficulties of the United Lutheran Church. This hope was quickly seen to be too optimistic but the amendments proved to be useful and constructive as samples of the type of recasting needed. After being amplified in a preliminary conversation, these possible alterations of the constitution were reported to the conference and met its favor at once. Further desirable changes came into view during the meeting itself when the scope of the problems which had been raised became clearer to all.

"In summation, Dr. Samuel McCrea Cavert, the presiding officer, raised the question if those present wished to encourage the Planning Committee to re-examine the constitution in the light of the issues raised by the United Lutheran Church. This suggestion was willingly and even heartily accepted. To quote the informal minutes of the meeting which were later written by Executive Secretary Earl F. Adams of the Planning Committee, 'There seemed to be unanimous agreement that the proposed amendments constituted definite progress . . . and that there seemed to be no insuperable obstacles in the way of agreement and participation.' Some discussion of a feasible method of effecting amendments to the constitution of the National Council followed. The fact that its constitution has been adopted in its present form by numerous communions raised serious questions at this point. The heads of churches, however, expressed the judgment that 'if there should be unanimous agreement on proposed amendments, there was reasonable basis for expecting that the constitution could be amended at the time of the Constituting Convention' (Dr. Adams' minutes). 'It was informally agreed that it might be very wise for Dr. Weigle and Dr. Cavert to call another meeting of this group well in advance of the Constituting Convention and at such time as might be most advantageous in the light of the progress made by the Planning Committee.'

"The dates of the Constituting Convention have been significantly postponed from the spring of 1950 and are to be November 26 to December 2, 1950.

"Your Committee on Interdenominational Relationships submits this report for the information of the Executive Board."

The report was received as information.

The detailed exhibit of the subsequent studies of the 1944 draft of the NCCCUSA constitution and amendments to that instrument proposed on behalf of the U.L.C.A. are given in the pages of this section (VIII, D) of the Executive Board report below.

2. **The U.L.C.A. and the Proposed National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America.** (See pp. 446-486 of these minutes)

(a) Statements, records, and recommendations
(Item 7, (a) I to VII inc., pp. 446-485.)

(b) Immediate steps
(Item 7, (b) 1 to 4 inc., pp. 485-486.)

3. **Additional Amendments to the NCCCUSA Constitution from non-U.L.C.A. Sources**

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendations:

"At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board (Minutes, pp. 792-794) a small number of minor amendments to the constitution of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America, arising from non-U.L.C.A. sources and approved by the Planning Committee of the National Council, were reported as information.

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships submits as information the following synopsis of another group of amendments which have arisen from similar non-U.L.C.A. sources since the April, 1950 meeting of the Executive Board and which have been approved by the Planning Committee of the National Council. These amendments, proposed in the interest of clarity and effectiveness of operation, will be recommended to the Constituting Convention of the NCCCUSA in November, 1950.

"1. ARTICLE IX—COMMITTEES

The amendment proposes that the name of this Article be changed to 'General Board;' and that Section I and Section 2 be amended so that the full ad interim administrative power, including the appointment of standing or special committees, which was previously delegated to the Executive Committee, be assigned to the proposed General Board of the Council.

A second amendment, resulting from the above, adds a Section 3 to ARTICLE VI—INCORPORATION which would permit the incorporation of 'other units' of the Council, subject to the approval of the General Board, each such incorporated 'other unit' to be subject to the supervision of the Council and responsible to it. (Section 2 of ARTICLE VI already provides for the incorporation of the 'Divisions' of the Council.)

"2. ARTICLE IX—COMMITTEES, *Section 3*

Permission is given by this amendment for the Vice Chairman of a 'unit' of the Council to become a member of the Executive Committee of the Council if the Chairman of the 'unit' is unable to serve.

"3. ARTICLE X—DIVISIONS

The name of the Division mentioned first in the list of Divisions and included in the second paragraph of Section I is to be changed from 'Division of Church and Community' to 'Division of Christian Life and Work' to indicate a broader scope of interest.

"4. ARTICLE X—DIVISIONS, *Section 1, Paragraphs 3 and 4*

The word 'extend' is to be substituted for the word 'expand' to describe more accurately the functions of these two Divisions (Division of Home Missions and Division of Foreign Missions).

"5. A new ARTICLE XI—GENERAL DEPARTMENTS is to be inserted following Article X. The present Article XI—Joint Departments and Commissions is to be renumbered Article XII.

The proposed new Article XI establishes two General Departments: a General Department of United Church Women to serve the interests of the present United Council of Church Women, and a General Department of United Church Men to serve the interests of denominational agencies or territorial councils concerned with the needs of men. Both General Departments are to be related administratively to the General Board of the Council and are to be subject to the same membership provisions as the Divisions, Joint Departments and Commissions, and Coordinating Committees.

This amendment necessitates the insertion of 'General Departments' in the list of 'units' of the Council appearing in the following Articles:

ARTICLE III, Section 1, 2b and 3b
ARTICLE X, Section 1, Paragraph 5
ARTICLE XIV, Section 2, Paragraph 2

"6. ARTICLE XII—CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEES is to be renumbered ARTICLE XIII.

"7. The following Articles are to be deleted:

ARTICLE XIII—JOINT SERVICE BUREAUS
ARTICLE XIV—FIELD DEPARTMENT OF THE COUNCIL
ARTICLE XV—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLICATION
ARTICLE XVI—DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL PROMOTION

A proposed new ARTICLE XIV—CENTRAL DEPARTMENTS AND SERVICES gathers into one Article the provisions formerly contained in Articles XIV, XV, and XVI. There is to be a Central Department for Field Administration (former Article XIV) a Central Department of Publication (former Article XV), a Central Department of Public Relations and Promotion (former Article XVI). Through the Central Departments or through other appropriate agencies such interests as the following shall be served:

Broadcasting and Films
Research and Survey
Church World Service
Treasury and Business Administration
Architectural Services
Ecumenical Relationships

The term 'Central Departments' is to be inserted in the list of 'units' of the Council in Article X, Section 1, Paragraph 5, following 'Joint Departments.'

"8. ARTICLE XVII—FINANCIAL SUPPORT is to be renumbered ARTICLE XV.

"9. ARTICLE XVIII—STAFF is to be renumbered ARTICLE XVI.

"10. ARTICLE XIX—AMENDMENTS is to be renumbered ARTICLE XVII.

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board hereby records that it finds itself in accord in general with the amendments to the proposed constitution of the NCCCUSA summarized above."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

"Two small groups of minor amendments to the constitution of the National Council of Churches of Christ in the U.S.A., arising from non-ULCA sources, were previously reported at the April 1950 meeting (minutes, pp. 792-794) and at the June 1950 meeting (minutes, pp. 960-962). A third group of amendments has arisen from similar non-U.L.C.A. sources and has been proposed to and approved by the Planning Committee of the NCCCUSA at its July 27, 1950 meeting with a view to clarifying possible obscurities, simplifying procedure, or making the nomenclature and phraseology consistent throughout the constitution.

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships submits the following synopsis of the amendments of some importance.

"1. *Article IV—Representation*

In Section 1 the following sentence is to be inserted before the introductory sentence: 'The governing body of the Council shall be a General Assembly.'

The affect of this proposed amendment is that the term 'the General Assembly' will replace the term 'the Council' wherever 'the Council' refers to the meeting of denominational representatives in the Council (III, 3, a; IV, 2; IV, 2, c; VII, 1; IX, 3; XVII).

"2. *Article VIII—Officers, Section 1*

In this section and in Article XVII—Amendments, reference is made to the *Biennial* Meeting of the General Assembly. (In previous drafts of the constitution no reference has been made to the frequency of meetings.)

"3. *Article VIII—Officers*

In place of 'two Vice-Presidents at-large' a proposed amendment would change the Article to read 'additional Vice-Preseidents at-large in such number as to provide an equal number of clerical and lay Vice-Presidents.'

This proposed amendment removes the limitation on the number of Vice-Presidents at-large in the Council.

"4. *Article IX—General Board*

In Section 3 and elsewhere throughout the constitution the term 'General Board' will replace the term 'Executive Committee' in every instance, inasmuch as the General Board, as reported at the June 1950 meeting, is to be the name of the ad interim administrative organ.

"5. *Article XII—Joint Departments and Commissions*

Section 5 (Joint Department of Women's Work) and Section 6 (Joint Department of Pastoral Services) are to be deleted.

Section 3 (Joint Department of Missionary Education) is to be renumbered Section 2 and is to be renamed 'Joint Commission of Missionary Education.'

"6. *Article XIII—Central Departments and Services, Section 3*

The 'Central Department of Publication' is to be renamed the 'Central Department of Publication anl Distribution.'

An additional responsibility is to be assigned to this Central Department: 'all co-operative publication and distribution activities, other than those on behalf of the Council, which the denominational publishing houses wish to undertake under general policies and procedures which they recommend and which are approved by the General Board.'

"7. *Article XIII—General Departments and Services, Section 4*

The 'Central Department of Public Relations and Promotion' is to be renamed the 'Central Department of Finance.' The Central Department of Finance will not 'carry on the public interpretation of the Council and its work' as previously proposed, but will be limited in its activities to the co-ordination and solicitation of financial support for the Council.

"8. *Artcle XIII—Central Departments and Services, Section 5*

In addition to the interests previously provided for, provision is to be made through Central Departments for 'public relations.'

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board hereby record that it finds itself in accord in general with the amendments to the proposed constitution of the NCCCUSA summarized above."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 4. President Franklin C. Fry Invited Into Membership of NCCCUSA Committee

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

"President Franklin Clark Fry has been invited to become a member of the Committee on Program and Procedures for the Constituting Convention of the National Council of Churches of Christ in the United States of America. The convention is scheduled for Cleveland, Ohio, November 26 to December 2, 1950. Word of his appointment by the Planning Committee of that agency came to Dr. Fry in a letter from its executive secretary, the Rev. Earl F. Adams, D.D., dated July 28, 1949.

"Recognizing the strategic nature of this committee, and the honor which came to our Church and its president in the invitation extended to him, the Committee on

Interdenominational Relationships Recommends that the Executive Board heartily approve the membership of President Fry on this committee."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 5. Approval of Participation by Members of U.L.C.A. in NCCCUSA Committees

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

"The following members of the U.L.C.A. have been invited to participate in committees making preparations for the operation of the NCCCUSA:

"(*a*) The Rev. Rollin Shaffer, of the Lutheran World Action promotion office, has been invited by the NCCCUSA Planning Committee to serve on the Public Relations and Publicity Committee.

"(*b*) Mr. Henry Endress, Secretary for Stewardship has been invited by the Planning Committee to serve on the 'informal committee on lay participation in the NCCCUSA General Department of United Church Men.'

"(*c*) The Rev. Luther A. Gotwald has been invited by the Foreign Missions Conference to represent that Conference as a consulting member of the NCCCUSA Planning Committee.

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships Recommends that the Executive Board approve the participation of the Rev. Rollin Shaffer, the Rev. Luther A. Gotwald, and Mr. Henry Endress in the work of the committees into whose membership they have severally been invited."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

"Following the decision of the Foreign Missions Conference to unite with the other major interdenominational agencies which will merge their interests in the NCCCUSA, the Rev. Luther A. Gotwald, Executive Secretary of the U.L.C.A. Board of Foreign Missions, was elected by the Foreign Missions Conference to be one of its representatives on the Planning Committee of the NCCCUSA. (Executive Board Minutes, April 1950, p. 792.)

"The Executive Board takes the following action:

"Moved and seconded that the Executive Board approve this service of Executive Secretary Gotwald."

The motion was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

"In a letter dated August 1, 1950, Chairman Luther A. Weigle of the NCCCUSA Planning Committee invites U.L.C.A. participation in the NCCCUSA Committee on Simultaneous Emphases, and suggests that Secretary Reinartz serve as the ULCA representative on that committee.

"The committee, according to Dr. Weigle's letter, is to 'undertake the preparation of plans for a more integrated Protestant strategy stressing the simultaneous and co-ordinated approach by communions and local churches in connection with a selected number of program emphases and field activities.' A thankworthy practical result of the operation of this committee should be the reduction, through co-ordination, of the number of special appeals, and promotional pleas of interdenominational agencies directed to the desk of pastors.

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS that the participation of Secretary Reinartz as an auditor in meetings of the NCCCUSA Committee on Simultaneous Emphases be approved, the final decision as to long term participation in the work of the committee to be contingent upon the action of the 1950 Convention regarding membership of the ULCA in the NCCCUSA."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 6. Foreign Missions Conference and the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

"In January, 1950 the Foreign Missions Conference reconsidered its earlier rejection of the proposal that it merge its interests with the seven other major interdenominational agencies in the formation of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America. At a special meeting held in Philadelphia on April 25 and 26, 1950, the Foreign Missions Conference reversed its previous decision and voted 77 to 7 in favor of becoming one of the merging agencies. All of the interdenominational bodies which participated in the earlier negotiations, looking toward the formation of 'one inclusive agency' have now agreed to unite in the formation of the NCCCUSA."

This item was received as information.

### 7. THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA AND THE PROPOSED NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

#### (a) Statements, Records, and Recommendations

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board, the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendations on the NCCCUSA to be presented to the 1950 convention. (For action on recommendations see pp. 605-607):

"I. OUR CHURCH'S PRESENT RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE MERGING AGENCIES

"The merger of eight interdenominational agencies into the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America in November 1950 will be a major event in American religious history. This new development will strongly affect the life of all Protestant churches, whether or not they join the NCCCUSA. This fact is plainly true of The United Lutheran Church in America as the following table of the present relationships of our Church with the eight merging agencies will show.

| *Merging Interdenominational Agencies* | *Related Boards and Auxiliaries of U.L.C.A.* | *Type of Membership* |
|---|---|---|
| Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America | United Lutheran Church in America | Consultative |
| Foreign Missions Conference of North America | Board of Foreign Missions | Full |
| | Women's Missionary Society | Full |
| Home Missions Council of North America | Board of American Missions | Full |
| | Women's Missionary Society | Full |
| International Council of Religious Education | Parish and Church School Board | Consultative |
| | Board of Publication | Consultative |
| Missionary Education Movement of the United States and Canada | Board of Foreign Missions | Full |
| | Women's Missionary Society | Full |
| | Parish and Church School Board | Full |
| | Luther League | Full |
| | Board of American Missions | Full |
| National Protestant Council on Higher Education | Board of Education | Full |
| United Council of Church Women | None | |
| United Stewardship Council | Lutheran Laymen's Movement | Full |

"The emergence of the NCCCUSA will compel the United Lutheran Church to alter its interdenominational relationships to a marked degree. At the 1950 convention, our Church is confronted with a decision either (1) to consolidate and expand its co-operative activities with other Protestant and Orthodox communions, or (2) to curtail them sharply. The only choice which is no longer open to us is to maintain the status quo.

"II. RECORD OF NEGOTIATIONS LOOKING TOWARD ORGANIZATION OF THE NCCCUSA

"The history of these negotiations among the eight major interdenominational agencies goes back over more than a decade. Extended studies were conducted by three successive intercouncil committees, following which representatives of the eight agencies held a three-day conference in Atlantic City on December 9-11, 1941, to discuss ways and means of closer co-ordination and integration. After consideration of several possibilities, the 300 representatives voted unanimously to recommend the creation of one inclusive agency to succeed all of the separate agencies, for the following purposes:

> '1. As an essential step in creating an integral co-operative movement for the service of the churches.
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> '2. As a recognition of the essential interdenominational relatedness of the functions and interests of the existing national interdenominational agencies.
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> '3. As a practical measure for increased efficiency and operation.
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> '4. As a practical and convincing demonstration of the churches' desire for united action in the face of present world conditions.'

"A committee, known as the Committee on Further Procedure, under the chairmanship of Dr. Luther A. Weigle, was constituted to draw up a plan of merger and to write a proposed constitution as the basis for such merger. After many months of study, the proposed constitution was submitted to the eight agencies on April 25, 1944, for their study and ratification.

"Of the original eight agencies participating in the plan, seven have voted official approval and are planning to proceed with the creation of the National Council of the

Churches of Christ in the U.S.A. The eighth agency, namely, the Foreign Missions Conference of North America, at first rejected the proposal, but after intensive study of the proposed constitution and the proposed amendments to it the Foreign Missions Conference plans to reconsider membership in the National Council at its forthcoming special meeting on April 25-26, 1950, in Philadelphia.

"Following the approval of the plan of merger by the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, the Federal Council submitted this proposal to each of its member denominations for ratification by its highest ecclesiastical body. Twenty-five denominations have approved.

"The International Council of Religious Education likewise invited its related state councils and the constituent denominational boards or agencies to ratify the proposal, inasmuch as the International Council includes some denominations which are not members of the Federal Council.

"When it became apparent that a sufficient number of denominations was approving the constitution to insure the organization of the NCCCUSA, the Committee on Further Procedure reconstituted itself as the Planning Committee for the NCCCUSA.

"The plan of organization for the new Council calls for various Divisions, Departments and Commissions so devised that the work of all existing agencies will be continued within the total framework. Many functions, however, will be combined in Joint Departments serving all units. In addition there will be Co-ordinating Committees representing age group interests such as adult, youth and children.

### "III. RECORD OF U.L.C.A. NEGOTIATIONS PRIOR TO 1948 U.L.C.A. CONVENTION

"United Lutherans will note that these negotiations, looking toward the organization of what is now to be known as the National Council of Churches of Christ in the U.S.A., began exactly at the time when our Church was restudying its relationship to the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America with increased seriousness. Basic recommendations concerning this relationship between the U.L.C.A. and the FCCCA, found on page 134f of the 1942 minutes, include the following:

> " '1. That the U.L.C.A., in the unity of the one Holy Catholic Church, to which all true believers in Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour belong, reaffirm its sincere desire to make its maximum contribution to the cause of Christianity in the world, through the best and most consistent relationships among recognized Christian churches.
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> " '2. That the U.L.C.A. reaffirm our strong conviction that according to the nature and constitution of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, all memberships in it should be of a consultative character, and that the Council is and should be a conferential body.
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> " '3. That the U.L.C.A. continue its consultative membership in the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America.
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> ……
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> " '7. That these representatives be constituted an official commission of the U.L.C.A. to the Federal Council, to be responsible, in all matters pertaining to our relationship with the Council, and to make biennial reports to the U.L.C.A. Convention.
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> ……
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> " '8. That any previous actions of the U.L.C.A., not in harmony with these recommendations, be rescinded.'

"Our Church's first reaction to the proposal of an all-inclusive merger of interdenominational agencies is reflected in the following statement from the report of the Committee on Relationship to the Federal Council of Churches (1942 minutes, p. 133):

> " '. . . It does however seem in place to point out that present relationships would cease, and new ones could be established only by the authority of the

> Church in harmony with the provisions of its Constitution and By-Laws, if these agencies should be absorbed by the proposed' 'single corporate body, replacing the present national interchurch agencies.'

"During the years of the war the likelihood of an early consummation of the proposed all-inclusive interdenominational organization was dimmed. At the beginning of 1945, the entire matter was presented to the Executive Board at its January meeting. The Executive Board authorized President Fry to call a conference of representatives of all boards and agencies related to any of the interdenominational agencies involved in a proposed merger with a view to a common study of and attitude toward the constitution and by-laws of the proposed organization. Because of the continued quiescence of this issue such a conference was delayed until January 12, 1948, when representatives of our boards and auxiliaries studied the constitution, with particular reference to the two ruling principles which the U.L.C.A. has stoutly maintained throughout its history in all interchurch relationships. These two principles are that every interchurch organization in which the U.L.C.A. holds membership (1) must be limited to evangelical communions exclusively and (2) must not allow individuals who represent nonchurch agencies to have equal standing with the official representatives of the constituent churches. The conclusions reached at this conference were duly reported to the Executive Board (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, page 272ff).

"Incidental conversations followed at various times between President Fry and Secretary Reinartz representing the U.L.C.A. and representatives of the Planning Committee: one with Dr. Luther A. Weigle, Chairman of the Planning Committee; one with Dr. Samuel M. Cavert, General Secretary of the FCCCA; and one with Dr. Earl Adams, Executive Secretary of the Planning Committee, and Dr. J. Quinter Miller.

"The following statement in the report of the Executive Board to the 1948 convention accurately summarizes the status of the negotiations at that time (Minutes, page 279):

> " '(a) Conferees representing NCCCUSA have been receptive to the U.L.C.A. critique of the constitution. Their whole attitude has been conciliatory.
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> " '(b) In a few instances there has been clarification of terminology whose meaning was obscure.
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> " '(c) The plan of administration set up by the constitution is admittedly lacking in clarity, loose and tentative. The autonomy allowed by the central body to elements of its life seems to us likely to result in administrative inefficiency and tension. NCCCUSA apologists count on the new body, once it is functioning, to free itself of such inefficiency.
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> " '(d) Some NCCCUSA conferees seem to have believed that the U.L.C.A. would be satisfied if a mere majority of the church boards entering the divisions, joint departments and commissions of the new agency could honestly be considered evangelical. It seemed to clear the air when our insistence on a body made up of evangelicals only was expressed.
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> " '(e) In the U.L.C.A. we have held that we may not unite unqualifiedly with agencies in which persons not directly responsible to the member churches have equal voice and vote with the representatives of the churches. The constitution has several striking illustrations of inclusive co-optation. Other U.S.A. Protestants are not sensitive at this point.
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> " '(f) It is now evident that the formation of NCCCUSA will move forward apace. Funds and personnel are available to encourage this. The only agencies about whose joining some doubt is entertained are the Foreign Missions Conference of North America and the Missionary Education Movement. Enough churches (12) have voted to unite so that delay on this account is improbable.
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> " '(g) No real solution has yet been proposed to the difficulties in principle which the constitution presents to the U.L.C.A. representatives. This has been admitted in part. In each conference the final appeal to us has been that we come into the new organization and help from within to modify it

in the direction of our own ideals. There has been no hesitation in expression of a sense of loss should the U.L.C.A. not join the new council.

> " '(h) We on our part have assured NCCCUSA spokesmen of our continuing desire to find a way, short of compromise of principle, to be a part of this fellowship.'

"IV. Active Negotiations from 1948 U.L.C.A. Convention to Present

"The 1948 convention of the U.L.C.A. took the following action (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, page 748):

> " 'Moved that this convention instruct the Executive Board to draw up a statement, in consultation with the executive secretaries of certain U.L.C.A. boards and agencies, which statement the U.L.C.A. Commission to the FCCCA and the boards and agencies related to interdenominational agencies planning to merge in the NCCCUSA would present to their cognate agencies asking them to seek through the NCCCUSA's Planning Committee a conference of the executive heads of the member churches of the FCCCA concerning the constitution of the NCCCUSA.'

"Even before officers of the Planning Committee had been officially notified of this action, they courteously informed the officers of the U.L.C.A. of their readiness to arrange for such a conference. Subsequently, on its own initiative the Planning Committee called a meeting of ecclesiastical leaders of the major denominations for February 24, 1949. Strangely, this was the first meeting of the heads of denominations ever to be convened during the long course of negotiations. President Fry and Secretary Reinartz participated in this exceedingly important conference, which was also attended by the chief executive officers of six of the merging interdenominational agencies and by representatives of the following ecclesiastical bodies: Augustana Lutheran Church, Congregational Christian Churches, Disciples of Christ, Evangelical United Brethren Church, Evangelical and Reformed Church, Presbyterian Church, U.S.A., Protestant Episcopal Church, and Reformed Church in America.

"After setting forth the two basic principles (the evangelical principle and the representative principle) which the U.L.C.A. upholds invariably in all its interdenominational relationships, President Fry reviewed in detail the constitution of the NCCCUSA and suggested typical amendments which the U.L.C.A. would consider essential. In response both the representatives of the interdenominational agencies and the other heads of denominations, who were present actively, encouraged the officers of our Church to prepare a comprehensive list of specific amendments which would incorporate the convictions of the U.L.C.A. President Fry and Secretary Reinartz thereupon made their third detailed study of the constitution of the NCCCUSA and framed a long series of detailed amendments which were submitted to the Executive Board at its meeting on April 22, 1949. The Executive Board approved in principle all the amendments proposed by our representatives and suggested a few minor alterations. (Cf. Section V, column 2 of this report.)

"When this series of amendments was presented to the Executive Committee of the Planning Committee, its immediate reaction was one of disappointment. The view was expressed that the amendments were 'discouragingly numerous.' However, the officers of the U.L.C.A. were invited to engage in further conversations. Accepting this invitation, President Fry and Secretary Reinartz met with the Rev. Drs. Earl F. Adams, Samuel M. Cavert, Hermann N. Morse and Luther A. Weigle through a long eventful evening on June 3, 1949, during which all amendments proposed by the Executive Board of our Church were carefully scrutinized. It will be observed from the following sections of this report (Section V, column 3) that the suggestions of the U.L.C.A. were accepted to a remarkable degree. Very few modifications were made to our proposals. Not one of the few minor rephrasings that were agreed upon involved any compromise of our Church's basic principles. On June 29-30, 1949, the results of the June 3 meeting were presented to the Executive Committee of the Planning Committee which concurred in them after making certain inconsequential modifications.

"At its October 1949 meeting, the Executive Board again reviewed with meticulous care the full schedule of suggested revisions to the constitution of NCCCUSA as of that date. Deep satisfaction was expressed at the wide areas of agreement which had been achieved. The Executive Board found itself 'in accord in general' with the amendments which had been approved at the June 29-30, 1949 meeting. Continued concern was felt at only four comparatively minor points for which further assurances were desired (Minutes, page 505). Such assurances as to the meaning of these possibly unclear items have since been received from Executive Secretary Adams.

"In order to give ample time to the Executive Secretary of the Planning Committee to prepare workbooks for the constituting convention, and also to provide a date by which the proposed amendments to the constitution would achieve final definite form for the information of the interested denominations like the United Lutheran Church, the Planning Committee on December 13, 1949, set March 1 as the deadline beyond which the Planning Committee could not receive and consider further amendments from denominations.

"The Planning Committee of the NCCCUSA has agreed to present to the constituting convention with its own full endorsement, and without even any necessary mention of the ecclesiastical body or interdenominational agency initiating such changes, all proposed amendments submitted prior to March 1, 1950, to which the unanimous approval of the members of the Planning Committee has been given. The entire list of amendments initiated by the U.L.C.A. falls into that category, as shown in Section V, column 4 of this report. As will be seen in Section V, column 5, very few amendments have arisen from any other source.

"The only amendments which can be advanced from this time forward are those which the Planning Committee may find necessary for the following routine purposes:

a. To clarify any inconsistencies which have been discovered in the constitution.

b. To adapt the organizational structure in view of any negative decisions on the part of the existing agencies regarding ratification.

c. To adapt the organization in minor ways to the special concerns of certain denominations, providing such amendments do not change the essential nature of the organization.

"On March 27, 1950, Executive Secretary Adams has written as follows in an official memorandum to the chief executive officers of communions planning to participate in the constituting convention for the NCCCUSA:

> "'Although technically the Planning Committee will still be able to recommend further amendments if it is deemed necessary for legal reasons or to meet problems which have not as yet been foreseen, it should be said that at present writing the Planning Committee is not contemplating any further proposals for amendments. Unless we send you word to the contrary, you may assume that the list of amendments included herewith will constitute the list of amendments to be proposed by the Planning Committee at the time of the constituting convention.'

## "V. ANALYSIS OF AMENDMENTS PROPOSED TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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| *Preamble*<br>In the providence of God, the time has come when it seems fitting more fully to manifest the essential oneness of the Christian churches of the United States of America in Jesus Christ as their Divine Lord and Saviour, by the creation of an inclusive co-operative agency to continue and extend the following general agencies of the churches and to combine all their interests and functions: | Delete the words *the essential;* remove the words *of the Christian churches of the United States of America* from their present position and insert them after the words *cooperative agency.* | AGREED | APPROVED | |
| Council of Church Boards of Education<br>Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America<br>Foreign Missions Conference of North America<br>Home Missions Council of North America<br>International Council of Religious Education | | | | Delete *Council of Church Boards of Education* and insert *National Protestant Council on Higher Education* between *Missionary Education Movement of the United States and Canada* and *United Council of Church Women.* (On next page) |

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| Missionary Education Movement of the United States and Canada<br>United Council of Church Women<br>United Stewardship Council | | | | |
| *Article II—Objects*<br>The objects of the Council are: | | | | |
| 1. To manifest the essential oneness of the co-operating churches in spirit and purpose for the furtherance of their common mission in the world. | 1. Rephrase to read: *To manifest the common spirit and purpose of the co-operating churches in carrying out their mission in the world.* | 1. AGREED | 1. APPROVED | |
| 2. To carry on such work of the churches as they desire to be done in co-operation. | 2. Rephrase to read: *To do for the churches such co-operative work as they authorize the Council to carry on in their behalf.* | 2. AGREED | 2. APPROVED | |
| 3. To continue and extend the work of the interdenominational agencies named in the Preamble, together with such additional objects and purposes as may from time to time be agreed upon. | 3. Rephrase to read: *To continue and extend the work of the interdenominational agencies named in the Preamble, together with such additional objects and purposes as the churches may from time to time agree upon.* | 3. Rephrase to read: *To continue and extend the work of the interdenominational agencies named in the Preamble, together with such additional objects and purposes as the churches, through their representatives in the Council, may from time to time agree upon.* | 3. Rephrasing as in colum 3 APPROVED. | |

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| 4. To encourage devotional fellowship and mutual counsel concerning the spiritual life and religious activities of the churches. | 4. Delete the words *encourage devotional fellowship and mutual.* | 4. AGREED | 4. The following rephrasing was APPROVED: *To encourage fellowship and mutual counsel concerning the spiritual life and religious activities of the churches.* | |
| 5. To foster and encourage co-operation between two or more communions. | 5. Delete the words *between two or more communions* and add in their place the words *among the churches for the purposes set forth in this Constitution.* | 5. AGREED | **5. APPROVED** | |
| 6. To promote co-operation among local churches and to further the development of councils of churches in communities, states, or larger territorial units. | 6. Rephrase to read: To promote co-operation among local churches by furthering in communities, states, or larger territorial units the development of councils of churches in full agreement with the Preamble of this Constitution. | 6. AGREED after minor change not affecting the sense of the article.<br>*. . . churches and to further in communities . . .* | 6. The following rephrasing was APPROVED: *To promote co-operation among local churches and to further in communities, states, or larger territorial units the development of Councils of Churches and Councils of Church Women, in agreement with the Preamble of this Constitution.* | |
| *Article III—Membership*<br>2. a) Communions which are now members or the Boards or Agencies of which are now members of any four or more of the general agencies named in the Preamble shall be charter members of the | 2. a) Delete the words *end of the year 1949* and substitute the words *organizing convention of the Council.* | 2. a) AGREED | 2. a) APPROVED | |

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| Council upon their acceptance of this Preamble and Constitution, provided that such action is taken not later than the end of the year 1949. | | | | |
| 2. b) Each Board or Agency which is now a member of one or more of the general agencies named in the Preamble shall be a charter member of the appropriate Divisions, Joint Departments or Commissions of the Council, provided that it accepts such charter membership not later than the end of the year 1949. | 2. b) Delete the words *end of the year 1949* and substitute the words *organizing convention of the Council.* | 2. b) AGREED | 2. b) APPROVED | |
| 3. a) Communions which declare their acceptance of this Preamble and Constitution may become members of the Council upon their request if approved by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting at any regular meeting of the Council. | | | | 3. a) Delete the words following *their request* and substitute the following: *if approved by a two-thirds vote of the communions represented and voting at any regular meeting of the Council, the delegations of each communion voting separately, and by a two-thirds vote of the representatives present and voting at any regular meeting of the Council.* |

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| 3. b) Denominational Boards or Agencies which accept the basis of divisional membership as defined by each Division may become members of any one or more of the Divisions, Joint Departments or Commissions of the Council upon their request if approved by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting at any regular meeting of the Division, Joint Department or Commission concerned. | 3. b) Add at the end of this sub-section the sentence: *No board or agency shall be eligible to membership in Divisions, Joint Departments or Commissions of the Council unless its communion is in accord with the Preamble of this Constitution.* | 3. b) Add at the end of this sub-section the sentence: *No board or agency, except [illegible] provided in ARTICLE III, 2b, shall be eligible to membership in Divisions, Joint Departments or Commissions of the Council unless its communion is in accord with the Preamble of this Constitution.* | 3. b) Rephrasing as in column 3 was APPROVED after minor change:<br>. . . .<br>*agreement with the Preamble of . . . .* | |
| *Article IV—Representation*<br>1. a) Five representatives, and one additional representative for every 100,000 of its communicants or major fraction thereof, having regard to adequate representation of ministers, laymen, laywomen, and young people not over 23 years of age; | 1. a) Omit the words *not over twenty-three years of age.* | 1. a) AGREED | 1. a) APPROVED | |
| 1. b) Additional representatives, not exceeding one-third of the number provided for in a), equally divided as | 1. b) Omit the words *not over twenty-three years of age.* | 1. b) AGREED | 1. b) APPROVED | |

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| far as possible among laymen, laywomen, and young people not over 23 years of age. | | | | |
| 2. a) One representative from each state council of churches which is constitutionally responsible to the denominations in its area. | 2. a) Rephrase to read: *One representative from each state council of churches which is in agreement with the Preamble of this Constitution and which has been constituted by the communions in its area.* | 2. a) AGREED | 2. a) APPROVED after the following minor change: substitute the word *is* for the words *has been.* | |
| 2. b) Ten additional representatives, elected by the Council from nominations submitted by City and County Councils which are constitutionally responsible to the denominations in their respective areas; | 2. b) Rephrase to read: *Ten additional representatives, elected by the Council from nominations submitted by city and county councils which are in agreement with the Preamble of this Constitution and which have been constituted by the communions in their areas.* | 2. b) AGREED after the following minor change:<br>*. . . by the city . . .* | 2. b) The following rephrasing was APPROVED: *Ten additional representatives, at least three of whom shall be women, elected by the Council from nominations submitted by the city and county councils which are in agreement with the Preamble of this Constitution and which are constituted by the communions in their areas.* | |
| 2. c) Each such representative shall be a member in good and regular standing of a communion included in the membership of the Council and shall serve only when approved by action of his communion. | | | | 2. c) Add the following sentence: *Whenever voting in the Council is by communions, these representatives shall vote with the communions of which they are members.* |

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| 3. A communion which by official action participates in one or more of the Divisions of the Council, but which does not have membership in the Council as a whole, may elect to the Council for each such Division no more than one-sixth of the total number of representatives to which it would be entitled by membership in the Council as a whole. | 3. We urge the deletion of this whole section. | 3. AGREED | 3. APPROVED | |
| 4. A church Board or Agency which without official action of its communion participates in one or more of the Divisions of the Council shall have membership in the Division or Divisions concerned but not in the Council itself. | 4. Rephrase to read: *A church Board or Agency which without official action of its communion participates in one or more of the Divisions of the Council shall have consultative membership without vote in the Division or Divisions concerned.* | 4. Renumber this section to become Section 3 and rephrase to read: *A church Board or Agency of a communion not holding membership in the Council may have membership in one or more of the Divisions of the Council.* | 4. Rephrasing as in column 3 APPROVED. | |
| *Article V—Functions*<br>3. Basic studies and recommendations concerning the relations with one another of churches as churches. | 3. Rephrase to read: *Basic studies and recommendations concerning the co-operative work of the churches.* | 3. Rephrase to read: *Basic studies in fields of common interest to the churches.* | 3. Rephrasing as in column 3 APPROVED. | |
| **8.** Fostering the formation and development of | 8. Add the words *in agreement with the Pre-* | 8. AGREED | 8. APPROVED. | |

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| effective local agencies of interdenominational co-operation. | *amble of this Constitution.* | | | |
| *Article VIII—Officers*<br>1. The Council shall elect, for terms of two years, a President, a Vice-President at-large, a Vice-President for each of the administrative Divisions, each one to be nominated by the respective Division, a Treasurer, a Recording Secretary, a General Secretary, and such other officers as it may need. Their duties shall be those customarily performed by such officers. | | | | 1. In place of the phrase *a Vice-President at-large* substitute the phrase *two Vice-Presidents at-large.* At the end of this section add the following sentence: *The President and the two Vice-Presidents at-large shall be so chosen that one of the three officers shall be an ordained minister, one shall be a layman, and one shall be a laywoman.* |
| *Article IX—Committees*<br>3. Each constituent body of the Council shall name to the Executive Committee one-seventh of its representatives on the Council, to be selected in harmony with the principles of representation stated in Articles IV, Section 1 for the Council itself. The representatives of state, city, and county councils of churches as au- | 3. Omit the last sentence and substitute the following sentences: *The President, Vice-Presidents, Treasurer, and Recording Secretary of the Council and the Chairmen of the Joint Departments shall be members of the Executive Committee. The Chairmen of the other units of the Council may be invited to meet with* | 3. AGREED after minor change not affecting the Article.<br>*. . . The Chairmen of other . . .* | 3. The following amendment was APPROVED: Omit the last sentence and substitute the following sentences: *The President, Vice-Presidents, Treasurer and Recording Secretary of the Council, the Chairmen of the Joint Departments, Field Department, Department of Publications and Department of Financial* | 3. In the second sentence change position of the words *to the Executive Committee* to come after the word *name;* after the words *but not less than five,* add the words *of whom one-third, or not less than two, shall be women.* |

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| thorized in Article IV, Section 2, shall name one-seventh of their number, but not less than five; to the Executive Committee. Each Division shall name to the Executive Committee one layman, one laywoman and one youth from the membership of the Council. The President, Vice-Presidents, Treasurer, and Recording Secretary of the Council and the Chairmen of the Joint Departments and Commissions, Coordinating Committees, Joint Service Bureaus, Field Department and Department of Financial Promotion shall be members of the Executive Committee. | *the Executive Committee as consultants. Each member of the Executive Committee must be a member in good standing of a communion which is a constituent member of the Council.* | | *Promotion shall be members of the Executive Committee. The Chairmen of other units in the Council may be invited to meet with the Executive Committee as consultants. Each member of the Executive Committee must be a member in good standing of a communion which is a constituent member of the Council.* | |
| *Article X—Divisions*<br>1. ..............................<br>..............................<br>..............................<br>..............................<br>The Division of Church and Community and the Division of Christian Education shall continue and expand the work of certain departments of the Federal Council of | | | | 1. In the second paragraph delete *the Council of Church Boards of Education* and insert *the National Protestant Council on Higher Education* after *the Missionary Education Movement.*<br>Delete the third paragraph concerning the |

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| the Churches of Christ in America, the International Council of Religious Education, the Council of Church Boards of Education, the Missionary Education Movement of the United States and Canada, the United Stewardship Council, and the United Council of Church Women, except as otherwise provided for in this Constitution, with such allocation between the two Divisions as the Council may find to be desirable and effective.<br>The Division of Christian Education shall include a Department of Higher Education which shall continue and expand the work of the Council of Church Boards of Education. | | | | Division of Christian Education. |
| 2. Each Division shall have the primary responsibility for developing the basic philosophy and the requisite programs and procedures within its assigned field, it being understood that there will be interdivisional co-operation and exchange of ideas. | 2. Delete the words *basic philosophy and the;* insert the word *policies* between the word *programs* and the word *and.* | 2. Insert the words *subject to the oversight of the Council* after the word *responsibility* and before the word *for.* | 2. The following amendment was APPROVED: Insert the words *subject to the provisions* of ARTICLE V, *Section 1, of this Constitution* after the word *responsibility* and before the word *for.* | |

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| 3. Each Division may establish and maintain direct relations with the church Boards and agencies corresponding to its field of operation, including those of communions which are not constituent members of the Council, and with other organizations carrying similar interests. | 3. Delete the words following *operation.* | 3. AGREED | 3. The following amendment was APPROVED: Delete the words following *operation* and substitute therefor the phrase *and with other organizations carrying closely related interests.* | |
| 4. Each member of the Council shall be assigned to membership in a Division in a manner which the Council shall determine, seeking insofar as possible to assign each member to the Division of his special interest, each Division to have as nearly as possible one-fourth of the total number, provided that any communion which so desires may designate those of its representatives who are to serve as members of the several Divisions. Each Division may draw additional members from the members and staff of its corresponding church agencies, including those of communions | 4. Omit the last sentence and substitute therefor the following sentences: *Each Division may draw additional members from member churches of the Council and from its corresponding church agencies, including the agencies of communions which are not constituent members of the Council but which would accept the Preamble of this Constitution, and also from state and local interdenominational councils carrying closely related interests. The membership in the Division of any persons from communions which are not constituent members of the Council shall be* | 4. AGREED | 4. The following amendment was APPROVED: Omit the words *member of*, **which occur** twice in the first sentence, and substitute the words *representative on;* substitute for the last sentence the following: *Each Division may draw additional members from member churches of the Council and from its corresponding church agencies, including the agencies of communions which are not constituent members of the Council but which are in agreement with the Preamble of this Constitution, and also from state and local councils of churches, and councils of church women* | 4. Omit the entire section and substitute the following: *Each representative on the Council shall be assigned to membership in a Division Assembly in a manner which the Council shall determine, seeking insofar as possible to assign each representative to the Division of his special interest, each Division Assembly to have as nearly as possible one-fourth of the total number, provided that any communion which so desires may designate those of its representatives who are to serve as members of the several Division Assemblies. Each Division in its by-laws may pro-* |

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| which are not constituent members of the Council, and of other organizations carrying similar interests, including local and state interdenominational women's groups, in such numbers and under such terms as each Division may determine. | *subject to confirmation by the Executive Committee of the Council.* | | *which are in agreement with the Preamble of this Constitution. The membership in the Division of any persons from communions which are not constituent members of the Council shall be subject to confirmation by the Executive Committee of the Council.* | *vide for additional representation from member churches of the Council and from its corresponding church agencies, including the agencies of communions which are not constituent members of the Council but which are in agreement with the Preamble of this constitution, and also from state and local councils of churches, and councils of church women which are in agreement with the Preamble of this constitution. The membership in the Division Assembly of any persons from communions which are not constituent members of the Council shall be subject to confirmation by the Executive Committee of the Council except as* ***provided*** *in* ARTICLE III, 2 (b) *of this constitution.* |
| 7. Each Division shall elect its own officers. | | | | 7. Add the following sentence: *The person chosen as chairman of the Division shall be nominated by the Division for election by the* |

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| | | | | *Council as a Vice-President of the Council.* (ARTICLE VIII, *Section 1*) |
| 9. Each Division may establish such professional or lay advisory sections as it may deem desirable. | 9. We urge the deletion of this section. | 9. Rephrase as follows: *Each Division shall sponsor such professional or lay advisory groups within the field of its interest as the Division may deem desirable.* | 9. Rephrasing as in column 3 APPROVED after changing the word *shall* to *may.* | |
| *Article XI — Joint Departments and Commissions* | | | | |
| 6. Joint Commissions may be constituted to deal with the interests of Social and Industrial Relations, Race Relations, International Justice and Good Will, Education for Service, Family Life, Town and Country, and other interests as the need arises. | | | | 6. Omit present section and substitute the following: *A Joint Department of Pastoral Services shall be constituted to continue and expand the services of the uniting councils in this field.* |
| 7. Each Joint Department and Commission may draw additional members from the members and staff of corresponding church agencies, including those of communions which are not constituent members of the Council, and of | 7. Omit the entire section and substitute therefor the following: *Each Joint Department and Commission may draw additional members from member churches of the Council and from its corresponding church agencies, in-* | 7. AGREED after minor change not affecting the sense of the Article.<br>*. . . The membership in the . . .* | 7. The following phrasing was APPROVED: *Each Joint Department and Commission may draw additional members from member churches of the Council and from its corresponding church agencies, including the agencies of* | 7. Omit entire section and substitute the following: *Each Joint Department and Commission may draw additional members from member churches of the Council and from its correspponding church agencies, including the* |

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| other organizations carrying similar interests, including local and state interdenominational women's groups, in such numbers and for such terms as each Joint Department or Commission may determine. | *cluding the agencies of communions which are not constituent members of the Council but which would accept the Preamble of this Constitution, and also from state and local interdenominational councils carrying closely related interests. The membership of the Joint Departments and Commissions of any persons from communions which are not constituent members of the Council shall be subject to confirmation by the Executive Committee of the Council.* | | *communions which are not constituent members of the Council but which are in agreement with the Preamble of this Constitution, and also from state and local councils of churches, and councils of church women which are in agreement with the Preamble of this Constitution. The membership in the Joint Departments and Commissions of any persons from communions which are not constituent members of the Council shall be subject to confirmation by the Executive Committee of the Council.* | *agencies of communions which are not constituent members of the Council but which are in agreement with the Preamble of this constitution, and also from state and local councils of churches, and councils of church women which are in agreement with the Preamble of this constitution. The membership in the Joint Department or Commission of any persons from communions which are not constituent members of the Council shall be subject to confirmation by the Executive Committee of the Council.* |
| 8. Each Joint Department and Commission shall have the primary responsibility for developing the basic philosophy and the requisite programs and procedures within its assigned field. | 8. Rephrase to read: *Each Joint Department and Commission shall have the primary responsibility for developing the requisite programs, policies, and procedures within its assigned field.* | 8. Rephrase to read: *Each Joint Department and Commission shall have the primary responsibility, subject to the oversight of the Council, for developing the basic philosophy and the requisite programs and procedures within its assigned field.* | 8. The following phrasing was APPROVED: *Each Joint Department and Commission shall have the primary responsibility, subject to the provisions of* ARTICLE *V, Section 1, of this Constitution, for developing the basic philosophy and the requisite programs and procedures within its assigned field.* | 8. Add to the section as phrased in column 4 the words: *it being understood that there will be inter-departmental co-operation and exchange of ideas.* |

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| *Article XII—Coordinating Committees*<br>1. The Council shall constitute Coordinating Committees as the media through which the various Divisions and Commissions will study together the interests, needs and service of the various age groups. | | | | 1. Delete the word *Commissions* and replace with the words *other units.* |
| 4. Each Coordinating Committee may draw additional members from the members and staff of corresponding church agencies, including those of communions which are not constituent members of the Council, and of other organizations carrying similar interests, including local and state interdenominational women's groups, in such numbers and for such terms [illegible] each Coordinating Committee may determine. | 4. Omit the entire section and substitute therefor the following: *Each Coordinating Committee may draw additional members from member churches of the Council and from its corresponding church agencies, including the agencies of communions which are not constituent members of the Council but which would accept the Preamble of this Constitution, and also from state and local interdenominational councils carrying closely related interests. The membership on the Coordinating Committee of any persons from communions which are not constituent members of the Council shall be subject to confirmation by* | 4. AGREED after minor change not affecting the sense of the Article.<br>*The membership in the Coordinating Committee* . . . | 4. The following phrasing was APPROVED: *Each Coordinating Committee may draw additional members from member churches of the Council and from its corresponding church agencies, including the agencies of communions which are not constituent members of the Council but which are in agreement with the Preamble of this Constitution, and also from state and local councils of churches and councils of church women which are in agreement with the Preamble of this Constitution. The membership in the Coordinating Committee of any persons from communions which are not constituent members of the* | |

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| *the Executive Committee of the Council.* | | | *Council shall be subject to confirmation by the Executive Committee of the Council.* | |
| *Article XIII—Joint Service Bureaus*<br>2. The following Bureaus may be established:<br>Bureau of Research and Field Survey,<br>Bureau of Religious Radio,<br>Bureau of Church Building and Architecture,<br>Bureau of Publicity. | | | | **2. Delete this entire section.** |
| *Article XIV—Field Department of the Council*<br>2. The Field Department shall consist of representatives of territorial councils and of the four Divisions as the By-laws may provide. The various Joint Departments and Commissions and Coordinating Committees shall be related to the Field Department through the Divisions to which they are administratively related. | 2. Omit the entire section and substitute the following: *The Field Department shall include representatives of the National Council, of the territorial councils, of the four Divisions and of the Joint Departments as the By-laws may provide. The various Joint Commissions and Coordinating Committees shall be related to the Field Department through the Divisions to which they are administratively related.* | 2. **AGREED** | 2. **APPROVED** | |

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| *Article XV—Department of Publication*<br>A Department of Publication shall be constituted, not less than one-half of whose members shall be executives of the denominational publishing houses or individuals responsible for publishing activities within the several denominations. In this Department shall be centered all the publishing activities (including production, distribution, cost-accounting and business management, but not including any control of content or of editorial policy or the determination of the use to which the profits from any publication shall be put) of the Council and of its Divisions, Joint Departments (other than the Joint Department of Missionary Education) and Commissions, Joint Service Bureaus and other units. This Department shall co-operate with the denominational publishing agencies. It shall be administratively responsible to the Council. | Delete the first sentence. In its place insert the following two sentences and let the remainder of the article stand: *A Department of Publication shall be constituted by the NCCCUSA from the membership of its constituent communions. Not fewer than one-half of the members of this Department shall be executives of the publication houses established by and responsible to the several denominations and/or individuals responsible for publishing activities within the several denominations which are members of NCCCUSA.* | AGREED, except that the words *the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A.* are used in place of the initials *NCCCUSA.* | The following amendment was APPROVED: Delete the first sentence. In its place insert the following two sentences and let the remainder of the Article stand: *A Department of Publication shall be constituted by the Council from the membership of the constituent communions of the Council. Not fewer than one-half of the members of this Department shall be executives of the publication houses established by and responsible to the several communions or individuals responsible for publishing activities within the several communions which are members of the Council.* | |

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| *Article XVI—Department of Financial Promotion* | | | | |
| 1. There shall be a Department of Financial Promotion which shall coordinate and carry on the solicitation of financial support for the Council and its several Divisions, Joint Departments and Commissions, Coordinating Committees, Departments and Bureaus. The Department shall also render service when requested to the local and territorial co-operative organizations and to its constituent bodies. | 1. Rephrase the last sentence to read: *The Department may also render service when requested to local and territorial councils.* | 1. Rephrase the last sentence to read: *The Department may also render service when requested to constituent bodies and to the cooperating local and territorial councils.* | 1. *Rephrasing as in* column 3 APPROVED. | |
| *Article XIX—Amendments* | | | | |
| Amendments of this Constitution may be proposed at any regular meeting of the Council or at any regular meeting of the Executive Committee. Three months' notice in writing of any proposed amendment must be given members of the Council before action is taken. Subject to this provision, action may be | Delete the words *members of the Council* in the second and fourth sentence and substitute for them the word *representatives.* | AGREED | APPROVED | |

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| taken at the next annual meeting of the Council. A two-thirds vote of the members of the Council present and voting is required for adoption, followed by a majority vote of the denominational delegations, each voting separately. | | | | |
| | Wherever *carrying similar interests* are used, substitute *carrying closely related interests.* | | | Wherever *in accord with* or *in full agreement with* are used, substitute *in agreement with.* |

## "VI. AMENDED UNOFFICIAL DRAFT FORM OF NCCCUSA CONSTITUTION TO BE PRESENTED TO CONSTITUTING CONVENTION

## CONSTITUTION OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

*(U.L.C.A. Draft, tentative and unofficial, March 1, 1950)*

### *Preamble*

In the Providence of God, the time has come when it seems fitting more fully to manifest oneness in Jesus Christ as Divine Lord and Saviour, by the creation of an inclusive co-operative agency of the Christian Churches of the United States of America to continue and extend the following general agencies of the churches and to combine all their interests and functions:

Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America
Foreign Missions Conference of North America
Home Missions Council of North America
International Council of Religious Education
Missionary Education Movement of the United States and Canada
National Protestant Council on Higher Education
United Council of Church Women
United Stewardship Council

### *Article I—Organization and Name*

There shall be an organization which shall be called NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, hereinafter referred to as the Council.

### *Article II—Objects*

The objects of the Council are:

1. To manifest the common spirit and purpose of the co-operating churches in carrying out their mission in the world.

2. To do for the churches such co-operative work as they authorize the Council to carry on in their behalf.

3. To continue and extend the work of the interdenominational agencies named in the Preamble, together with such additional objects and purposes as the churches through their representatives in the Council from time to time agree upon.

4. To encourage fellowship and mutual counsel concerning the spiritual life and religious activities of the churches.

5. To foster and encourage co-operation among the churches for the purposes set forth in this Constitution.

6. To promote co-operation among local churches and to further in communities, states, or larger territorial units the development of councils of churches and councils of church women, in agreement with the Preamble of this Constitution.

7. To establish consultative relationships with national councils of churches in other countries of North America.

8. To maintain fellowship and co-operation with similar councils in other areas of the world.

9. To maintain fellowship and co-operation with the World Council of Churches and with other international Christian organizations.

*Article III—Membership*

1. Communions which accept the objects and purposes of this Council as set forth in the Preamble and Constitution may have membership in the Council as a whole and in its various Divisions, Joint Departments and Commissions, or Boards and Agencies of the churches may have membership in any one or more of the Divisions, Joint Departments or Commissions of the Council.

2. (*a*) Communions which are now members or the Boards or Agencies of which are now members of any four or more of the general agencies named in the Preamble shall be charter members of the Council upon their acceptance of this Preamble and Constitution, provided that such action is taken not later than the organizing convention of the Council.

(*b*) Each Board or Agency which is now a member of one or more of the general agencies named in the Preamble shall be a charter member of the appropriate Divisions, Joint Departments or Commissions of the Council, provided that it accepts such charter membership not later than the organizing convention of the Council.

3. (*a*) Communions which declare their acceptance of this Preamble and Constitution may become members of the Council upon their request if approved by a two-thirds vote of the communions represented and voting at any regular meeting of the Council, the delegations of each communion voting separately, and by a two-thirds vote of the representatives present and voting at any regular meeting of the Council.

(b) Denominational Boards or Agencies which accept the basis of divisional membership as defined by each Division may become members of any one or more of the Divisions, Joint Departments or Commissions of the Council upon their request if approved by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting at any regular meeting of the Division, Joint Department or Commission concerned. No Board or Agency, except as provided in Article III, 2b, shall be eligible to membership in Divisions, Joint Departments or Commissions of the Council unless its communion is in agreement with the Preamble of this Constitution.

4. The Council may name as consultative members such Boards or Agencies not constituted by the churches as it may determine. The representatives of these Boards or Agencies in such number as the Council shall determine shall be advisory members of the Council without vote.

*Article IV—Representation*

1. Each communion which has membership in the Council as a whole shall be entitled to representation as follows:

(*a*) Five representatives, and one additional representative for every 100,000 of its communicants or major fraction thereof, having regard to adequate representation of ministers, laymen, laywomen, and young people.

(*b*) Additional representatives, not exceeding one-third of the number provided for in (*a*), equally divided as far as possible among laymen, laywomen, and young people.

(*c*) All representatives of a communion shall be elected by that communion in such manner as it shall determine. Of the total number of representatives at least one-half shall be nominated by the Boards and Agencies of that communion co-operating in the work of the Divisions of the Council, on such basis as the communion shall determine, having regard to the interests of the several age groups and the various functions of the Council.

2. The co-operative work of the churches in the various states, cities and counties shall have representation in the Council in the following manner:

(*a*) One representative from each state council of churches which is in agreement with the Preamble of this Constitution and which is constituted by the communions in its area.

(*b*) Ten additional representatives, at least three of whom shall be women, elected by the Council from nominations submitted by the city and county councils which are in agreement with the Preamble of this Constitution and which are constituted by the communions in their areas.

(c) Each such representative shall be a member in good and regular standing of a communion included in the membership of the Council and shall serve only when approved by action of his communion. Whenever voting in the Council is by communions, these representatives shall vote with the communions of which they are members.

3. A church Board or Agency of a communion not holding membership in the Council may have membership in one or more of the Divisions of the Council.

*Article V—Functions*

The functions of the Council shall include the following:

1. The general oversight and co-ordination of the whole field or work of the Council and of its Divisions and other units.

2. All actions and utterances of the Council in representation of the co-operating churches.

3. Basic studies in fields of common interest to the churches.

4. The safe-guarding for each Division of the fullest measure of autonomy consistent with presenting a united front and a mutually-supporting program.

5. The fostering among the Divisions and other units of united fellowship, planning and action.

6. The relations of the Council to other co-operative bodies, either directly or through one or more of the Divisions.

7. General relations with the public and with governments, either directly or through one or more of the Divisions.

8. Fostering the formation and development of effective local agencies of interdenominational co-operation in agreement with the Preamble of this Constitution.

9. General control of the finances of the Council including the preparation and authorization of its annual financial budget.

*Article VI—Incorporation*

1. The Council shall be incorporated under a state or the national government as the Council shall determine.

2. Each Division may be incorporated under a state or the national government as it shall determine. Subject to the provisions hereinafter specified, each incorporated Division shall be subject to the supervision of the Council and responsible to it.

*Article VII—Authority*

1. The Council shall have authority—

(*a*) To regulate its own proceedings in accordance with its Constitution and Charter.

(*b*) To elect the necessary officers and members of its staff, remove them for cause and fill vacancies.

(*c*) To buy, acquire, or receive, by gift, devise, or bequest, property, real, personal, and mixed.

(*d*) To hold sell, and dispose of property.

(*e*) To secure, appropriate, and administer funds for its work.

(*f*) To sue and be sued.

(*g*) To make By-laws in harmony with its Charter and Constitution.

2. The Council shall have no authority or administrative control over the churches which constitute its membership. It shall have no authority to prescribe a common creed, or form of Church government, or form of worship, or to limit the autonomy of the churches co-operating in it.

*Article VIII—Officers*

1. The Council shall elect, for terms of two years, a President, two Vice-Presidents at large, a Vice-President for each of the administrative Divisions, each one to be nominated by the respective Division, a Treasurer, a Recordng Secretary, a General Secretary and such other officers as it may need. Their duties shall be those customarily performed by such officers. The President and the two Vice-Presidents at large shall be so chosen that one of the three officers shall be an ordained minister, one shall be a layman and one shall be a laywoman.

2. The President and the Vice-President at large shall not be eligible for immediate re-election.

*Article IX—Committees*

1. The Council shall have an Executive Committee, and such other Standing or Special Committees as may be necessary or convenient for the discharge of its responsibilities.

2. The Executive Committee shall have the full powers of the Council ad interim, except the power to determine the membership of the Council and the power to revise its Constitution or By-Laws.

3. Each constituent body of the Council shall name to the Executive Committee one-seventh of its representatives on the Council, to be selected in harmony with the principles of representation stated in Article IV, Section 1, for the Council itself. The representatives of state, city and county councils of churches as authorized in Article IV, Section 2, shall name to the Executive Committee one-seventh of their number, but not less than five, of whom one-third, or not less than two, shall be women. Each Division shall name to the Executive Committee one layman, one laywoman, and one youth from the membership of the Council. The President, Vice-Presidents, Treasurer and Recording Secretary of the Council, the Chairmen of the Joint Departments, Field Department, Department of Publications and Department of Financial Promotion shall be members of the Executive Committee. The Chairmen of other units in the Council may be invited to meet with the Executive Committee as consultants. Each member of the Executive Committee must be a member in good standing of a communion which is a constituent member of the Council.

### *Article X—Divisions*

1. The Council shall constitute four Divisions, the distinctions between which are broadly functional, as follows:

Division of Church and Community
Division of Christian Education
Division of Home Missions
Division of Foreign Missions

The Division of Church and Community and the Division of Christian Education shall continue and expand the work of certain departments of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, the International Council of Religious Education, the Missionary Education Movement of the United States and Canada, the National Protestant Council on Higher Education, the United Stewardship Council, and the United Council of Church Women, except as otherwise provided for in this Constitution, with such allocation between the two Divisions as the Council may find to be desirable and effective.

The Division of Home Missions shall continue and expand the work of the Home Missions Council of North America.

The Division of Foreign Missions shall continue and expand the work of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America.

Each Division shall help to carry forward the work of those Joint Departments and Commissions in which it is represented.

2. Each Division shall have the primary responsibility subject to the provisions of Article V, Section 1, of this Constitution, for developing the basic philosophy and the requisite programs and procedures within its assigned field, it being understood that there will be interdivisional co-operation and exchange of ideas.

3. Each Division may establish and maintain direct relations with the church Boards and Agencies corresponding to its field of operation, and with other organizations carrying closely related interests.

4. Each representative on the Council shall be assigned to membership in a Division Assembly in a manner which the Council shall determine, seeking insofar as possible to assign each representative to the Division of his special interest, each Division Assembly to have as nearly as possible one-fourth of the total number, provided that any communion which so desires may designate those of its representatives who are to serve as members of the several Division Assemblies. Each Division in its by-laws may provide for additional representation from member churches of the Council and from its corresponding church agencies, including the agencies of communions which are not constituent members of the Council but which are in agreement with the Preamble of this Constitution, and also from state and local councils of churches, and councils of church women which are in agreement with the Preamble of this Constitution. The membership in the Division Assembly of any person from communions which are not constituent members of the Council shall be subject to confirmation by the Executive Committee of the Council except as provided in Article III, 2 (*b*) of this Constitution.

5. Each Division shall endeavor to secure a full measure of participation in its work on the part of lay representatives, both men and women, and of young people.

6. Within the limitations of the Constitution of the Council and of such general actions as may be taken by it, each Division will have substantial autonomy. This autonomy will be exercised within the following general understandings:

(*a*) No Division without specific authorization shall take actions which impinge upon functions of the Council itself;

(*b*) No Division shall make financial commitments which involve the Council or any other Division or Commission;

(*c*) The work of each Division shall be reported to the Council, which shall be responsible for its co-ordination with the work of other Divisions.

7. Each Divison shall elect its own officers. The person chosen as Chairman of the Division shall be nominated by the Division for election by the Council as a Vice-President of the Council. (Article VIII, Section 1)

8. Each Division may create such Departments and Committees as it may deem necessary or desirable.

9. Each Division may sponsor such professional or lay advisory groups within the field of its interest as the Division may deem desirable.

10. Each Division may make By-Laws in harmony with the Constitution and By-Laws of the Council.

### *Article XI—Joint Departments and Commissions*

1. The Council shall constitute such Joint Departments and Commissions as may be necessary or desirable in the interest of two or more Divisions. Each Joint Department and Commission shall be functionally responsible to the Divisions which are represented in it but shall be related administratively to one of the Divisions as the Council may direct.

2. A Joint Department of Evangelism shall be constituted with representatives from all the Divisions.

3. A Joint Department of Missionary Education shall be constituted which shall continue and expand the work of the Missionary Education Movement of the United States and Canada, including publication.

4. A Joint Department of Stewardship shall be constituted which shall continue and expand the work of the United Stewardship Council.

5. A Joint Department of Women's Work shall be constituted which shall continue and expand the work of the United Council of Church Women, with such relations to the Divisions and to the Field Department as may be approved by the Council.

6. A Joint Department of Pastoral Services shall be constituted to continue and expand the services of the uniting councils in this field.

7. Each Joint Department and Commission may draw additional members from member churches of the Council and from its corresponding church agencies, including the agencies of communions which are not constituent members of the Council but which are in agreement with the Preamble of this Constitution, and also from state and local councils of churches, and councils of church women which are in agreement with the Preamble of this Constitution. The membership in the Joint Department or Commission of any persons from communions which are not constituent members of the Council shall be subject to confirmation by the Executive Committee of the Council.

8. Each Joint Department and Commission shall have the primary responsibility, subject to the provisions of Article V, Section 1, of this Constitution, for developing the basic philosophy and the requisite programs and procedures within its assigned field, it

being understood that there will be interdepartmental co-operation and exchange of ideas.

*Article XII—Co-ordinating Committees*

1. The Council shall constitute Co-ordinating Committees as the media through which the various Divisions and other units will study together the interest, needs and service of the various age groups.

2. The following Co-ordinating Committees shall be constituted:

Co-ordinating Committee on Children's Work
Co-ordinating Committee on Young People's Work
Co-ordinating Committee on Adult Work

3. The function of these Co-ordinating Committees shall be primarily that of program consultation and the co-ordination of field promotion.

4. Each Co-ordinating Committee may draw additional members from member churches of the Council and from its corresponding church agencies, including the agencies of communions which are not constituent members of the Council but which are in agreement with the Preamble of this Constitution and also from state and local council of churches, and councils of church women which are in agreement with the Preamble of this Constitution. The membership in the Co-ordinating Committee of any persons from communions which are not constituent members of the Council shall be subject to confirmation by the Executive Committee of the Council.

5. Each Co-ordinating Committee shall be related administratively to one of the Divisions as the Council may direct.

*Article XIII—Joint Service Bureaus*

The Council shall establish and maintain such Joint Service Bureaus as may be necessary or desirable. These Bureaus shall serve the Council as a whole, the Divisions, the local and territorial co-operative organizations, and the agencies constituent to the Council.

*Article XIV—Field Department of the Council*

1. There shall be a Field Department of the Council through which the field activities of the Council and of its Divisions shall be co-ordinated, and through which the Council shall correlate its field work with the national denominational field programs and with the field programs of local, state, and regional councils of churches.

2. The Field Department shall include representatives of the National Council, of the territorial councils, of the four Divisions and of the Joint Departments as the By-Laws may provide. The various Joint Commissions and Co-ordinating Committees shall be related to the Field Department through the Divisions to which they are administratively related.

*Article XV—Department of Publication*

A Department of Publication shall be constituted by the Council from the membership of the constituent communions of the Council. Not fewer than one-half of the members of this Department shall be executives of the publication houses established by and responsible to the several communions or individuals responsible for publishing activities within the several communions which are members of the Council. In this Department shall be centered all the publishing activities (including production, distribution, cost-accounting and business management, but not including any control of content or of editorial policy or the determination of the use to which the profits from any publication shall be put) of the Council and of its Divisions, Joint Departments (other than the Joint Department of Missionary Education) and Commissions, Joint Service Bureaus and other units. This Department shall co-operate with the denominational publishing agencies. It shall be administratively responsible to the Council.

*Article XVI—Department of Financial Promotion*

1. There shall be a Department of Financial Promotion which shall co-ordinate and carry on the solicitation of financial support for the Council and its several Divisions, Joint Departments and Commissions, Co-ordinating Committees, Departments and Bureaus. The Department may also render service when requested to constituent bodies and to the co-operating local and territorial councils.

2. The Department shall consist of representatives of all the interests of the Council concerned.

*Article XVII—Financial Support*

The financial support of the Council and of its Divisions shall be primarily the responsibility of the bodies which are members of the Council and of the Divisions.

*Article XVIII—Staff*

The Council shall have a General Secretary, Executive Secretaries of Divisions, and such other staff personnel as may be required.

*Article XIX—Amendments*

Amendments of this Constitution may be proposed at any regular meeting of the Council or at any regular meeting of the Executive Committee. Three months' notice in writing of any proposed amendment must be given representatives before action is taken. Subject to this provision, action may be taken at the next annual meeting of the Council. A two-thirds vote of the representatives present and voting is required for adoption, followed by a majority vote of the denominational delegations, each voting separately.

"VII. 1950 Contributions by Boards, Agencies and Auxiliaries of the U.L.C.A. to Organizations which will be Merged into the NCCCUSA

| *ULCA, Boards, Agencies and Auxiliaries* | *Merging Interdenominational Agencies* | *Amount of Contribution* |
|---|---|---|
| United Lutheran Church | Federal Council of Churches | $10,000.00 |
| Bd. of Foreign Missions | Missionary Education Movement | 500.00 |
| | Foreign Missions Conference | 20,015.00 |
| Bd. of American Missions | Home Missions Council | 2,260.00§ |
| | Missionary Education Movement | 500.00 |
| Bd. of Social Missions | No contributions | |
| Bd. of Deaconess Work | No contributions | |
| Bd. of Pensions & Relief | No contributions | |
| Bd. of Education | National Protestant Council on Higher Education | 250.00 |
| Parish & Church School Bd. | Missionary Education Movement | 107.64 |
| Bd. of Publication | International Council of Religious Education | 2,330.46 |
| Lutheran Laymen's Movement | United Stewardship Council | 440.00 |
| National Lutheran Council | No contributions | |
| Women's Missionary Society | Home Missions Council | 1,800.00* |
| | Missionary Education Movement | 600.00 |

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| | Foreign Missions Conference | 7,615.00 |
| Brotherhood | No contributions | |
| Luther League | Missionary Education Movement | 60.00 |
| | | $46,478.10 |

§ Includes $1,260.00 to Interdenominational Bureau of Church Architecture.
* To be transmitted through Board of American Missions but not included in the amount of that board's contribution.

"VIII. RECOMMENDATIONS. (For Executive Board amendments to these recommendations, see p. 482)

"1. *Membership in the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America*

a. That in the expectation that the constitution of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America will be adopted as submitted on April 25, 1944, together with amendments substantially as now proposed by the Planning Committee for the NCCCUSA, The United Lutheran Church in America assume membership in the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America. (Adopted, see p. 606)

b. That the boards, agencies and auxiliaries of the United Lutheran Church which now hold full or consultative membership in any of the eight interdenominational agencies which will merge their interests and functions into the NCCCUSA be empowered to seek recognition as charter members of 'the appropriate Divisions, General Department, Joint Departments or Commissions of the Council' (NCCCUSA constitution; Article III, 2 [*b*] as a part of the United Lutheran Church's inclusive membership in the NCCCUSA, each such action on the part of a board, agency or auxiliary of the United Lutheran Church to be contingent on its own decision that it desires to have such charter membership." (Adopted, see p. 606)

"2. *Election of Representatives*

a. That the Executive Board be empowered to elect the representatives of the United Lutheran Church in the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America (NCCCUSA constitution; Article IV, 1, [*a*] *and* [*b*]), in its General Board (NCCCUSA constitution: IX, 3) and in all subdivisions of the Council, the normal term of office of all these representatives to be two years. (Amended, see p. 606)

b. That the Executive Board be assigned the responsibility of acting in behalf of the United Lutheran Church with regard to the approval of members of our Church who are elected or nominated by state, county or city councils of churches as representatives in the NCCCUSA. (NCCCUSA constitution: Article IV, 2)" (Adopted, see p. 607)

"3. *Nominations by Boards, Agencies and Auxiliaries of Representatives in the National Council of Churches*

That in conformity with Article IV, 1 (c), of the NCCCUSA constitution, the Executive Board be instructed to invite the boards, agencies and auxiliaries of our Church which will co-operate in the work of subdivisions of the National Council of Churches of Christ in the U.S.A. to nominate at least half of the representatives of the United Lutheran Church in the NCCCUSA. (Adopted, see p. 607)

"4. *'Additional Members' of Subdivisions of the National Council of Churches*

a. That in all cases in which the selection of 'additional members' from the United

Lutheran Church in the various subdivisions and related activities of the NCCCUSA is permissible and is judged by the Executive Board to be desirable, the Executive Board be empowered to select such 'additional members' on its own initiative. (NCCCUSA constitution: Article X, 4; XI, 7; XII, 4)

b. That in all cases in which a board, agency or auxiliary of the United Lutheran Church may desire to avail itself of an opportunity to place 'additional members' in a Division Assembly, General Department, a Joint Department, Commission or Coordinating Committee of the NCCCUSA, or any such subdivision of the National Council of Churches may invite the appointment of 'additional members' from a corresponding agency of the United Lutheran Church;

1. the Executive Board be instructed in every instance to seek the counsel of the board, agency or auxiliary of the United Lutheran Church directly concerned;

2. after ascertaining that such board, agency or auxiliary approves of and desires the selection of the "additional members" in question, the Executive Board decide if the United Lutheran Church will accept the offered privilege; and if so for how many individuals;

3. all such 'additional members' be nominated by the board, agency or auxiliary from which they are to be drawn, for selection by the Executive Board. (NCCCUSA constitution: Article X, 4; XI, 7; XII, 4)

c. That all appointments of members of the United Lutheran Church by the NCCCUSA to serve in any of its subdivisions (including 'advisory sections' or 'bureaus', see NCCCUSA constitution, Article XIV, 2; XV, XVI, 2), be subject to the approval of the Executive Board." (Adopted, see p. 607)

"5. *Assignment of U.L.C.A. Representatives to Subdivisions of the National Council of Churches*

That the Executive Board be empowered to specify which representatives of the United Lutheran Church in the National Council of Churches shall serve in the various Division Assemblies, Joint Departments and Commissions, Co-ordinating Committees and other subdivisions of the National Council." (Adopted, see p. 607)

"6. *Reports of Representatives in National Council of Churches*

a. That the United Lutheran Church's representatives in each biennial or special meeting of the NCCCUSA be instructed to constitute themselves as a commission for the purposes of common counsel and the presentation of a joint report to the Executive Board.

b. That the representatives of the United Lutheran Church in the General Board of the NCCCUSA be instructed to submit quarterly reports of their activities and observations to the Executive Board.

c. That, in a manner agreed upon among themselves and at times indicated by the Executive Board, the United Lutheran Church representatives in each subdivision of the NCCCUSA be instructed to submit reports of their activities and observations at least annually to the Executive Board and to such other boards, agencies and auxiliaries of the Church as in each instance express a desire to receive such reports for their information.

d. That the Executive Board be empowered to call together at its discretion the representatives of the United Luthran Church in the NCCCUSA and its subdivisions for the purpose of a comprehensive review of the activities and plans of the National Council of Churches and our Church's participation therein.

e. That the Executive Board submit a summary report of the participation of the United Lutheran Church in the NCCCUSA to every biennial convention of the Church." (Adopted, see p. 607)

"7. *Finances*

a. That the Executive Board be instructed to make provision for proper contributions from our Church toward the general funds of the NCCCUSA in the budgets of the United Lutheran Church to be presented to future biennial conventions. (U.L.C.A. constitution: Article XI, Section 3)

b. That all decisions of boards, agencies and auxiliaries of the United Lutheran Church to make contributions for the use of subdivisions and all related activities of the NCCCUSA be conditioned upon the approval of the Executive Board in the light of the total commitments of the United Lutheran Church for the work of the NCCCUSA and also with a view to assuring a wise balance in our Church's contributions for interdenominational purposes;

and that following such approval all such moneys be forwarded through the U.L.C.A. treasury to their designated destinations.

c. That all expenses incident to the services of the constitutional number of representatives of the United Lutheran Church in the NCCCUSA and of all such 'additional members' from the United Lutheran Church in the various subdivisions and related activities of the National Council of Churches as may be appointed by the Executive Board on its own initiative, be borne by the U.L.C.A. treasury. (NCCCUSA constitution: Article IV, 1, [*a*] and[*b*])

d. That all expenses incident to the services of 'additional members' who are chosen from boards, agencies or auxiliaries of the United Lutheran Church for service in a Division Assembly, General Department, a Joint Department or Commission or a Coordinating Committee of the NCCCUSA be borne by the board, agency or auxiliary of our Church which nominates such additional members and from which they have been drawn. (NCCCUSA constitution: Article X, 4; XI, 7; XII, 4)

e. That the treasury of the United Lutheran Church assume no responsibility for the expenses of U.L.C.A. members who are appointed or invited by the National Council of Churches or any of its organs to serve in such subdivisions of the NCCCUSA as 'advisory sections' or 'bureaus' (NCCCUSA constitution: Article XIV, 2; XV; XVI, 2) and that any contributions toward defraying such expenses on the part of interested boards, agencies or auxiliaries of our Church be entirely at the option of the boards, agencies or auxiliaries." (Adopted, see p. 607)

"8. *Amendments to the NCCCUSA Constitution*

a. That, in all cases in which proposed amendments to the constitution of the NCCCUSA are pending at the time of a convention of the United Lutheran Church, the Executive Board be instructed to include such amendments in detail in its summary report referred to in Recommendation 6, e, above, for such action as the convention may desire to take.

b. That when amendments to the constitution of the NCCCUSA are proposed between biennial conventions of The United Lutheran Church in America for action before the next convention of the Church, the Executive Board be empowered to counsel with or instruct the representatives of the United Lutheran Church to the National Council of Churches regarding such amendments." (Amended, see p. 607)

"9. *General Responsibility of Executive Board*

That the Executive Board be empowered to take all necessary actions in connection with the U.L.C.A.'s relationship with the National Council of Churches that may be required prior to the 1952 convention of the Church, including the review of this relationship if the United Lutheran Church's representatives in the constituting convention of the National Council of Churches report to the Executive Board that the expectation expressed in Recommendation 1 has not been fulfilled." (Adopted, see p. 607)

"10. *Relationship to Federal Council of Churches*

That upon the assumption of the present interests and functions of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America by the NCCCUSA, the United Lutheran Church's Commission to the Federal Council be discontinued and all appointments to Federal Council departments, commissions, etc., be terminated." (Adopted, see p. 607)

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS that the foregoing report on the NCCCUSA be adopted as a whole."

The recommendation was ADOPTED by the Executive Board.

"11. *Amendments to Executive Board Recommendations regarding The National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America*

At the October 3, 1950, meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report:

"The Planning Committee of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America will recommend for adoption by the Constituting Convention of the NCCCUSA a number of amendments to the constitution which have been proposed since the Executive Board's consideration of the recommendations of the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships at the April 1950 meeting (Bulletin, pp. 832-835). Two of the proposed amendments affect the recommendations adopted by the Executive Board in April 1950. One amendment will, if adopted, change the name of the ad interim administrative body from the *Executive Committee* to the *General Board.* Another recommendation will, if adopted, provide for the creation of two General Departments which will be administratively related to the General Board.

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS that the recommendations of the Executive Board to the 1950 convention be amended to harmonize with the proposed amendments of the Planning Committee as follows:

"Recommendation 1, b, line 4: Insert General Departments between *Divisions* and *Joint Departments.*
"Recommendation 2, a, line 3: Substitute *General Board* for *Executive Committee.*

"Recommendation 4, b, line 3: Insert *General Department* between *Division Assembly* and a *Joint Department.*

"Recommendation 5, line 3: Insert *General Departments* between *Division Assemblies* and *Joint Departments.*

"Recommendation 6, b, line 1: Substitute *General Board* for *Executive Committee.*

"Recommendation 7, d, line 3: Insert *General Department* between *Division Assembly* and a *Joint Department.*"

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the October 7, 1950, meeting of the Executive Board the following report was presented by the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships:

"On the basis of Article IV of the constitution of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America, the United Lutheran Church is eligible to seat 24 representatives in the General Assembly of the NCCCUSA. Article IV also provides (Section 1, c) that at least one half of each church's representatives in the General Assembly shall be nominated by the boards and agencies of that church.

"In harmony with these provisions and upon authorization of the Executive Board ULCA boards and agencies have nominated the following persons to serve as ULCA representatives in the General Assembly of NCCCUSA:

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| "Board of American Missions | 1. The Rev. R. H. Gerberding, D.D.<br>2. Mr. S. F. Telleen |
| Board of Foreign Missions | 1. The Rev. Luther A. Gotwald, D.D.<br>2. Mr. M. P. Moller, Jr. |
| Board of Education | 1. The Rev. Gould Wickey, D.D. |
| Board of Publication | 1. H. Torrey Walker, L.H.D. |
| Parish and Church School Board | 1. The Rev. L. Ralph Tabor, D.D.<br>2. The Rev. S. White Rhyne, D.D. |
| Luther League of America | 1. Mary Helen Smith |
| Women's Missionary Society | 1. Mrs. C. W. Baker, Jr., LL.D.<br>2. Miss Nona M. Diehl, LL.D. |
| Lutheran Laymen's Movement | 1. Mr. Henry Endress |

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board elect the above-named nominees of ULCA boards and agencies as representatives of the United Lutheran Church in the General Assembly of the NCCCUSA."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

It was moved and carried to allow the officers of the Church to approve the representatives to the NCCCUSA from the Board of American Missions.

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships further RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board elect at this time the twelve remaining representatives of the ULCA in the General Assembly of the NCCCUSA."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

In accordance with the recommendation of the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships the Executive Board nominated the following twelve persons to represent the ULCA in the General Assembly of the NCCCUSA:

The Rev. Franklin Clark Fry, D.D.
The Rev. F. Eppling Reinartz, D.D.
The Rev. Paul C. Empie, D.D.
The Rev. Wallace E. Fisher
Millard E. Gladfelter, D.Sc.
Hon. James F. Henninger, LL.D.
James C. Kinard, LL.D.
The Rev. C. Franklin Koch, D.D
The Rev. O. Frederick Nolde, D.D.
Mrs O. A. Sardeson, LL.D.
The Rev. Robert W. Stackel
Clarence C. Stoughton, LL.D.

It was moved and seconded that the above twelve persons, forming "an adequate representation of ministers, laymen, laywomen, and young people" be elected as the ULCA representatives in the General Assembly of the NCCCUSA.

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"Upon the authorization of the Executive Board ULCA boards, agencies, and auxiliaries were authorized to nominate alternate representatives to the General Assembly of the NCCCUSA in number equal to the schedule on page 836 of the Bulletin.

"The boards' nominees are as follows:

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| "Board of American Missions | 1. The Rev. Paul Andrew Kirsch, D.D.<br>2. The Rev. Fred C. Wiegman, D.D. |
| Board of Foreign Missions | 1. The Rev. Herman L. Gilbert, D.D.<br>2. The Rev. W. Carl Satre |
| Board of Education | 1. Millard Gladfelter, Ph.D. |
| Board of Publication | 1. Mr. Ernst P. Hoeppner |
| Parish and Church School Board | 1. The Rev. Hugo Dressler, D.D.<br>2. The Rev. Lawrence M. Reese |
| Luther League of America | 1. The Rev. John M. Mangum |
| Women's Missionary Society | 1. Miss Mary Andstadt<br>2. Miss Frances Dysinger, Litt.D. |
| Lutheran Laymen's Movement | 1. Mr. Charles Esser |

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board elect the above-named persons as alternate representatives of The United Lutheran Church in America in the General Assembly of the NCCCUSA."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships further RECOMMENDS that the officers submit to the Executive Board for approval by mail a slate of the twelve remaining alternate representatives of the ULCA in the General Assembly of the NCCCUSA."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### MEETING OF ULCA REPRESENTATIVES IN THE NCCCUSA AND ITS UNITS

"The adoption by this 1950 convention of the Executive Board's recommendations concerning the United Lutheran Church's membership in the National Lutheran Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America focuses our attention upon the necessity of calling together in a special meeting all ULCA representatives in the

NCCCUSA and its various 'units.' The principal purpose of such a meeting will be to inform all ULCA representatives fully regarding our Church's principles of external relations, and thus to prepare them to represent our Church adequately, consistently, and faithfully.

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board authorize the president to call a meeting of all persons who will represent The United Lutheran Church in America in the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America and its various subdivisions, this meeting to occur between the close of this 1950 convention and the Constituting Convention of the NCCCUSA on November 28, 1950."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### (b) Immediate Steps to Facilitate Procedures Indicated in Statement I to VII and Recommendations in VIII Above.

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

"In order to facilitate the procedures indicated in the preceding statement and recommendations, the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships recommends the adoption of the following immediate steps by the Executive Board.

"1. The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS that in view of the fact that such a brief time will elapse between the 1950 convention of the United Lutheran Church (October 4-12, 1950) and the constituting convention of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A. (November 28-December 1, 1950), the various boards, agencies and auxiliaries of the United Lutheran Church which now hold full or consultative membership in any of the eight merging interdenominational agencies be acquainted at once with Recommendation 1, b, in the foregoing series of recommendations, with the suggestion that such boards, agencies or auxiliaries may find it desirable to take early tentative action on this point, conditioned upon the decision of the 1950 convention regarding membership in the NCCCUSA."

The recommendation was ADOPTED by the Executive Board.

"2. The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS that, on account of the same pressure of time, the Executive Board invite the following boards, agencies and auxiliaries of the United Lutheran Church to make conditional nominations of representatives of the United Lutheran Church in the NCCCUSA in the following numbers in accordance with Section VIII, Recommendation 3 of this report, these nominations to be presented to the Executive Board only if the 1950 convention approves membership of the United Lutheran Church in the National Council:

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|---|---|
| Board of American Missions | 2 |
| Board of Education | 1 |
| Board of Foreign Missions | 2 |
| Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship | 1 |
| Luther League of America | 1 |
| Parish and Church School Board | 2 |
| Board of Publication | 1 |
| Women's Missionary Society | 2 |

(Note: If the United Lutheran Church becomes a member of the National Council of Churches, our Church will be entitled to twenty-four representatives in the constituting convention.)"

The recommendation was ADOPTED by the Executive Board.

"3. The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS that, in making their nominations, the above-named boards, agencies and auxiliaries be requested to keep in mind the provisions in Article IV of the NCCCUSA constitution which specify that every participating Church should be careful to include 'an adequate representation of ministers, laymen, and laywomen and young people' among its representatives to the National Council of Churches."

The recommendation was ADOPTED by the Executive Board.

"4. On December 13, 1949, the Planning Committee for the NCCCUSA

> 'voted that the Executive Secretary be authorized in his next communication to denominational executives to inform the denominations that they will be permitted to appoint alternates in such numbers as they may choose, up to the total number of representatives permitted the communion for attendance at the constituting convention, with the understanding that each such alternate will have auditory privileges at the constituting convention without vote, except as such alternate might be named specifically to serve in the place of some elected representative who was unable to attend the convention.'

The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS that in view of the opportunity which has thus been opened for the attendance of alternates at the constituting convention of the National Council of Churches, the boards, agencies and auxiliaries named in Recommendation 2 be invited to make tentative nominations of an equal number of alternates with the same proviso as was attached above to their nomination of representatives, and with the further understanding that the United Lutheran Church will not defray the expenses of any alternates to the constituting convention of the NCCCUSA."

The recommendation was ADOPTED by the Executive Board.

## E. MISCELLANEOUS

*1. **Survey of Interdenominational Relationships of U.L.C.A. Constituent Synods; Congregations and Ministers; Boards and Agencies.** (For action, see p. 1046)

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the president reported as follows:

> (Committee on Interdenominational Relationships and U.L.C.A. Commission to the Federal Council of Churches to continue collaboration on survey of interdenominational relationships.)

"RESOLVED, That the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships continue to act as the 'Special Committee from the Executive Board' which the Louisville Convention (cf. 1942 U.L.C.A. Minutes, page 135) directed to collaborate with the Commission to the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America in

> "(*a*) 'a thorough and constructive study of the relationships of synods to state federations and of congregations to local federations' and
> "(*b*) 'of boards and agencies to all inderdenominational organizations with which the boards and agencies are now connected by whatever form of membership.'

"NOTE: On April 9-10, 1947, the Executive Board indicated its purpose to discharge this 'Committee of Seventeen,' consisting of the entire U.L.C.A. Commission to the Federal Council plus a special committee of three from the Executive Board, as soon as the 'Committee of Seventeen' has completed the functions stated above."

The resolution was adopted by the Executive Board.

*(a) Review of General Controlling Actions of U.L.C.A.*

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

(Key to Abbreviations and Terms:
FCCCA—Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America.
NCCCUSA—National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A.
"Committee of Seventeen"—Three members of the Executive Board's Committee on Interdenominational Relationships and the entire membership (14) of the U.L.C.A. Commission to the FCCCA.)

"From the beginning of its life the U.L.C.A. has had an alert and active interest in keeping its interdenominational relationships in harmony with its position as a confessional church. In the first decade of our history there were appeals being made from all sides to the U.L.C.A. as such, and to its boards and agencies seeking to align them with the many councils, conferences, joint committees, etc. which were started or revived in those years. It was a joiner's decade. 'Co-operation' was its big and optimistic word. The Interchurch World Movement was symptomatic.

"This accounts, in part, for a strong protective emphasis in our relevant legislation during those years. We were gradually gaining in inner unity and mutual confidence, but we had not become unified sufficiently in our confessionalism to warrant any but the strongest control of interdenominational activities.

"Our constitution, Article VIII, Section 1 is buttressed by our By-law, Section VIII, Item 2 in stating the Church's fundamental polity at this point.

> "'As to External Relations. The United Lutheran Church in America shall have power to form and dissolve relations with other general bodies, organizations and movements. To secure uniform and consistent practice no Synod, Conference or Board, or any official representatives thereof shall have power of independent affiliation with general organizations and movements.' (Constitution, Article VIII, Section 1.)
>
> "'No official relationship with any other ecclesiastical body, agency or movement shall be entered into by any agency or auxiliary of The United Lutheran Church in America without the approval of the Church.' (By-laws, Section VIII, Item 2.)

"Our 1920 convention produced the 'Washington Declaration' which gave us detailed standards by which co-operative movements are to be judged; a 'basis of practical co-operation among the Protestant Churches;' and three 'limitations' on our affiliations with co-operative movements and organizations.

"In 1922, the 'representative principle' for which since then we have consistently stood, got its first official statement in a standing resolution:

> "'All representatives of agencies of the United Lutheran Church are urged to do their utmost so that the representative principle be strongly maintained in all co-operative organizations. This applies to the tendency at present in such organizations themselves to add to the representatives of denominations increasing numbers of individuals, under various designations as members (co-opted, at large, corresponding, advisory, affiliated, etc.) with varying powers.' 1922 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 69-71, 108.)

"In 1944, after the survey of the interdenominational relationships of U.L.C.A. synods had been made, the following action was taken by the Executive Board on recommendation of the 'Committee of Six.'

> "'Voted, that when a synod decides that some form of interdenominational relationship is desirable, it is *suggested* that the relationship do not go beyond the pattern set by the relationship of the U.L.C.A. to the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America.' (1944 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 118.)

"In 1946 the U.L.C.A. Executive Board, on recommendation of its Committee on Interdenominational Relationships, adopted the following recommendation:

> "'Your Committee recommends that the Board of Education and all other boards be requested to refer to the Executive Board questions of relation-

> ships and grants to subsidiary agencies related to parent organizations with which we may have already established relationships in a regular way.' (1946 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 162.)

"*(b) Adequacy of General Controlling Actions of U.L.C.A.*

"It appears from a review of the controlling actions of the U.L.C.A. in the realm of interdenominational relationships that they are adequate as regards the general church, its boards and agencies and our synods.

"The 1944 *'suggestion'* to synods to follow the U.L.C.A.—FCCCA pattern in establishing interdenominational relationships may in the long run reduce in power and effectiveness the control over such relationships granted the Church by its Constitution and By-laws.

"In 1944 the situation, as revealed by the survey of the Interdenominational Relationships of Synods was this:

SUMMARY OF 1944 SURVEY INTERDENOMINATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS OF SYNODS

"1. One synod had a full membership in a state council of churches.

2. One synod had a relationship with a state council of churches through a standing committee.

3. Two synods had consultative membership in a state council of churches and one additional synod was about to enter into consultative relationship with a newly organized council of churches.

4. The remaining 28 synods had no relationship with a state council of churches nor were they contemplating the establishment of such a relationship. At that time more of these 28 synods were reported as being unfavorable than were favorable to membership in a state council of churches.

"Since 1944 our attention has been drawn to at least three of these 28 synods which have established relationships of some kind with a state or regional council of churches.

"As the number and agressiveness of state councils of churches increase, the pressure on our synods to unite with them will also be increased.

"The constitutional provision that 'no synod . . . shall have power of independent affiliation with general organizations and movements' would seem to imply that synods purposing such affiliation should seek the approval of the Church.

" 'To secure uniform and consistent practice' it seems well that synods should be asked to submit in advance, for review and counsel by the U.L.C.A. Executive Board, proposals to establish relationships with state councils of churches or other general interdenominational agencies.

*(c) Re—Survey of Interdenominational Relationships of Synods, 1950*

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

INTRODUCTION

"The Executive Board's Committee on Interdenominational Relationships, acting on behalf of the 'Committee of Seventeen' has continued with the threefold survey assignment given it.

"The first survey of the interdenominational relationships of synods was completed in 1944 (1944 Minutes, U.L.C.A., p. 118). The first survey of the interdenominational relationships of the U.L.C.A. boards and agencies was completed in 1945, and the voluminous report was circulated with the Executive Board minutes of the January 1946 meeting.

"The survey of the interdenominational relationships of congregations and ministers was completed in 1949. The conclusions drawn from that survey by the ‘Committee of Seventeen’ were reported to the Executive Board at its October 1949 meeting. (See section (d) of this item, below.)

“(The Executive Board at its October 1949 meeting requested the ‘Committee of Seventeen’ to survey anew the interdenominational relationships of our synods and our boards and agencies. Those resurveys have now been made.)

“In the present survey of the interdenominational relationships of synods the following questions were asked:

> “ ‘1. What relationships, if any, does the synod now have with state or area councils of churches in its territory?
>
> “ ‘2. What new interdenominational relationships has your synod entered into, or what former interdenominational relationships has your synod terminated since 1944?
>
> “ ‘3. What financial contributions did your synod, as such, make in 1949 in support of the relationships, if any, listed in (1) above?’ ”

“Tabulated below are the replies of the presidents of twenty-nine synods to the questions.

“1950 RE-SURVEY OF INTERDENOMINATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS
OF U.L.C.A. CONSTITUENT SYNODS

| “SYNOD | QUESTION 1 | QUESTION 2 (a) and (b) | QUESTION 3 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Canada | Consultative membership Canadian Council of Churches—Ecumenical Division | (None<br>(None | $150 for general expense fund. (U.L.C.A. gave $300 to Canadian Council of Churches for World Council of Churches) |
| Cal. | None | (None<br>(None | None |
| Central Penna. | Full membership in Pa. Pa. State Council of Churches. President of Synod has for a number of years been Vice President of the Council and is so serving at present time. | (None<br>(None | $2602.00 |
| Fla. | None | (None<br>(None | None |
| Geo.-Ala. | None | Protestant Radio Center, Atlanta, Georgia | Protestant Radio Center $500 in 1950; and $1000 in 1951 proposed |
| Ice. | No Reply | | |
| Ill. | None | a. None<br>b. Support of Ministry in Institutions of Church Federation of Greater Chicago terminated 12/31/49. Support of Illinois Church Council terminated 12/31/48. | $300 to Ministry in Institutions of Church Federation of Greater Chicago through United Lutheran Social Mission Society of Illinois |
| Ind. | None | (None<br>(None | None |
| Iowa | None | (None<br>(None | None |
| Kan. | Representatives on State Council of Churches in Kansas and Oklahoma. Pastors in most communities also co-operate with Community Council of Churches | Contributing to Kansas and Oklahoma Councils | Token contributions of $10.00 a year |

| “SYNOD | QUESTION 1 | QUESTION 2 (a) and (b) | QUESTION 3 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Ky.-Tenn. | None | (None<br>(None | None |
| Maryland | Representative to Comity. Com. of Washington Federation, Dept. of Research and Church Planning | (None<br>(None | $350 to Dept. of Research and Church Planning of Washington Federation of Churches |
| Mich. | None | (None<br>(None | None |
| Midwest | None | (None<br>(None | None |
| Miss. | None | (None<br>(None | None |
| Nebr. | None | (None<br>(None | None |
| N. Y. | None | (None<br>(None | None |
| N. C. | Consultative relationship with the NC Council of Churches | (None<br>(None | $200 |
| North-west | None | (None<br>(None | None |
| Nova Scotia | None | (None<br>(None | None |
| Ohio | None | (None<br>(None | None |
| Pac. | ‘No official relationship’ | (None<br>(None | None |
| Min. of Penna. | None | (None<br>(None | None |
| Pitts. | None | (None<br>(None | None |
| Rocky Mt. | No Reply | | |
| Slovak-Zion | None | (None<br>(None | None |
| S. C. | On consultative basis with the S. C. Council of Churches | Member on the S. C. Council on Alcohol Education | $100 annually to S. C. Council on Alcohol Education |
| Tx. | None | (None<br>(None | None |
| Va. | At 1950 convention Synod voted to end Consultative Relationship had with Virginia Council of Churches. At same time appointment of a committee was authorized to meet with this body to see if somewhat loose practices along several lines “can be brought in line with synod’s desires” | Refer to 1 | $700 to Virginia Council of Churches<br>$500 to Interdenominational Religious Word Foundation, which is co-operative enterprise of churches of Virginia |
| West. Can. | None | (None<br>(None | None |
| Wartburg | No reply | | |
| West Va. | Two representatives on W. Virginia State Council of Churches | (None<br>(None | $100—General Fund of Council<br>$50—Aid Chaplain Salary—Youth Correction Institution<br>$50—Aid Survey—Industrial areas in state. |

### (d) *Observations on Resurvey of the Interdenominational Relationships of Constituent Synods*

"The Committee of Interdenominational Relationships makes the following observations on the above tabulation:

> "1. Twenty-one of the twenty-nine constituent synods reporting say they have no interdenominational relationships.
>
> "2. Where relationships with state and area councils of churches are maintained by synods they are generally on a consultative basis.
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> "3. A comparison of the survey of the interdenominational relationships of synods completed in 1944 (U.L.C.A. Minutes, 1944, p. 118, and quoted above p. 488) with the present study indicates that there has been an increase of three synods having some interdenominational relationships.
>
> "4. With two possible exceptions, the financial contributions made by our synods to state and area councils of churches are very modest."

### (e) *Survey of Interdenominational Relationships of Congregations and Ministers, 1949*

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

"The survey of interdenominational relationships of congregations and ministers is now complete. The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships has made a study of the tabulations and has discovered that 28 out of 32 synods, 1498 pastoral charges out of 2958, and 1632 ministers out of 3779, replied to the questionnaire. The survey results are given in full for the information of the Executive Board. Our Commission to the Federal Council has requested the President of the Church to publicize these studies in the *Pastor's Desk Book* materials.

"1. *Congregations*

28 of the 32 synods sent in reports. 1498 pastoral charges out of a total of 2958 (or 51 per cent) replied to the questionnaire.

Of these 1498 pastoral charges, 513 (34 per cent) are members of local interdenominational councils of churches.

51 per cent of the 513 have full membership; 24 per cent have consultative membership; and 25 per cent did not answer the question.

67 per cent of the 513 report that the membership is of long standing; 24 per cent that it is newly begun. 89 pastoral charges report that their relationship is in the process of development.

167 out of the 513 pastoral charges report that the council of churches admits non-evangelical groups.

73 per cent of the 513 contribute regularly and directly to the support of an interdenominational council of churches.

587 pastoral charges, 74 more than have membership in a local council, participate in the interdenominational weekday religious education program. However, 12 per cent of the 513 participate in interdenominational communion services.

More pastoral charges assist in community surveys and fund raising campaigns than report membership in local councils of churches. Co-operation of pastoral charges in community projects was reported as follows:

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|---|---|
| Community surveys under direction of community committee | 620 |
| Fund raising campaigns for YMCA, YWCA, Welfare Agencies, Red Cross, Community Chests, etc. | 614 |

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| Joint publicity | 493 |
| Organized hospital visitation | 338 |
| Music festivals | 325 |
| Prison or jail visitation | 251 |
| Parades | 114 |
| Exhibits and displays at conventions, fairs | 77 |

"2. *Ministers*

Reports were received from 28 of the 32 synods in the U.L.C.A. 1632 ministers out of a total of 3779 (or 43 per cent) replied to the questionnaire.

Of these 1632, 1054 (65 per cent are members of an interdenominational ministerial association.

248 of the 1632 ministers report that the associations of which they are members admit nonevangelical members.

The status of the relationship of the 1632 ministers to the ministerial association is as follows:

45 per cent of long standing
13 per cent newly begun
7 per cent in process of formation
35 per cent did not answer

674 out of the 1632 have served as officers of the Ministerial Association.
155 out of the 1632 have served as officers of the Council of Churches.
307 out of the 1632 have served as chairmen of the program committee.

The interdenominational relationships in the community are evaluated as follows:

52 per cent productive of Christian cohesiveness and co-operation
31 per cent of little consequence
4 per cent productive of negative influences
13 per cent did not answer

"3. *Activities of Local Councils of Churches and Ministerial Associations*

The activities in which the councils of churches and/or ministerial associations regularly engage were given in the following order:

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| Lenten Services, including Good Friday | 924 |
| Union Thanksgiving Services | 898 |
| Community Church attendance canvasses | 607 |
| Patriotic Services (Memorial Day, etc.) | 497 |
| Easter Dawn Services | 461 |
| Summer Services | 403 |
| Evangelistic Services | 307 |
| Reformation Day Services | 289 |

The frequency with which the interdenominational ministerial association meets was reported as follows:

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|---|---|
| Monthly | 956 |
| Semi-monthly | 59 |
| Bi-monthly | 56 |
| Weekly | 15 |

Features of the programs were given in the following order:

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| Outside speaker | 716 |

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| Papers prepared by members of association | 522 |
| Exclusively occupied with business | 437 |
| Outings | 254 |
| Social programs exclusively | 65” |

This item was received as information.

*(f) Observations on Survey of Interdenominational Relationships of U.L.C.A. Congregations and Ministers*

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

“The Constitution and By-laws of the U.L.C.A., and its standing resolutions give it little direct control over the interdenominational relationships of local congregations. This is the responsibility of synods primarily.

“The survey of the interdenominational relationships of congregations and ministers completed in January of this year, shows that there is nothing approaching ‘uniform and consistent practice’ on the local level.

“The survey produced reports from 50.6 per cent of the parishes concerning the interdenominational relationships of congregations.

“It is not safe to assume that the figures reported hold true for the other 50 per cent of our congregations. This prevents us from drawing conclusions which are too definite. Trends cannot be charted because this survey gives us the first and only statistics available on this subject.

“However, there are some deductions which the survey seems to allow:

“1. Because the local councils of churches are mainly conference and service organizations, full membership in most instances does not appear in the judgment of the reporters to involve congregations in compromise of principle or limitation of testimony.

“2. There does not appear to be a strong present swing in the direction of affiliation with local councils of churches.

“3. It is deeply disturbing to learn that about one-third of the local councils reported on admit nonevangelicals. A way must be found to sensitize the consciences of our pastors at this point and to encourage them to help their local councils of churches become councils of evangelical churches or to let their congregations’ refusal to join stand as a protest against loose affiliation of evangelicals with nonevangelicals.

“4. Weekday religious education appears to be a leading service project of the local councils. This fact should spur us to strong efforts to make the emphasis of that religious education evangelical.

“5. The admitted participation of some 62 of our congregations in interdenominational communion services while serious enough percentagewise, is an evidence that we have an important educational task before us. Surely the pastors and councilmen who are directly responsibile do not fully appreciate the significance of our Church’s doctrine of the Lord’s Supper if they reduce it to a service promoting interdenominational good will, or the sentimental sign of fellowship.

“6. The service projects in which the local councils engage are, for the most part, worthy and useful.

“7, About twice as many ministers report themselves as members of ministerial associations as congregations report themselves members of local councils of churches. The membership in ministerial associations is usually a very informal thing. Most of our pastors think of themselves as being members in no representative way. But here too, the acceptance of nonevangelicals tends to cloud the clear Gospel testimony of the group.

"8. No strong swing in the direction of membership in ministerial associations seems apparent.

"9. Our pastors seem to bear their share of leadership responsibility in both the local council of churches and the ministerial associations. There is abroad the impression that our pastors are realizing that if these local groups are to be Gospel-centered and empowered they themselves must increasingly take the leadership responsibilities involved.

"10. It is sobering to note that a total of 35 per cent of those responding to the questionnaire judge their interdenominational relationships to be 'of little consequence' (31 per cent) or 'productive of negative influences' (4 per cent). It is hardly to be disputed that these relationships can potentially be of great Christian benefit to the member congregations and pastors and to the community. The World Council of Churches and the NCCCUSA will increasingly look to these local Christian groups for promotion, support and service. The general church should make its contribution toward helping our pastors make these relationships as productive of true Gospel energy as possible."

*(g) Resurvey of the Interdenominational Relationships of U.L.C.A. Boards and Agencies*

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report:

"In making the resurvey of the interdenominational relationships of U.L.C.A. boards and agencies, the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships asked for the following information:

> " '1. What interdenominational relationships, if any, has your board or agency entered into since 1945?
>
> " '2. Please indicate in what particulars the 1945 report on your interdenominational relationships should be changed to describe more adequately your present interdenominational relationships?'

"In the tabulation below the resurvey of the interdenominational relationships of the U.L.C.A. boards and agencies as of June, 1950 is summarized.

"RESURVEY OF INTERDENOMINATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS OF U.L.C.A. BOARDS AND AGENCIES
*"June 1950*

| "BOARD OR AGENCY | RELATIONSHIPS, JUNE 1950 | ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION | COMMENTS |
|---|---|---|---|
| "Board of American Missions | Home Missions Council (Full membership) | $2,260.00* | Starting in 1930 and "continuing for a few years" this Board, in the interests of Jewish Missions, had a relationships to the International Missionary Council |
| | The Missionary Education Movement (Full membership) | $ 500.00 | *Includes $1,260.00 to Interdenominational Bureau of Church Architecture. |
| "The Brotherhood of the U.L.C.A. | No interdenominational relationships | None | |

| “BOARD OR AGENCY | RELATIONSHIPS, JUNE 1950 | ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION | COMMENTS |
|---|---|---|---|
| “Board of Deaconess Work | No interdenominational relationships | None | |
| “Board of Education | National Protestant Council on Higher Education (Full membership) | Board “has made grants up to $550.00” a year | Certain college leaders of the former General Synod and General Council, and of the Board of Education of the General Synod helped to organize the Council of Church Boards of Education, immediate direct predecessor of the National Protestant Council on Higher Education. The U.L.C.A. Board of Education has taken an active part in this relationship since 1919. |
| “Board of Foreign Missions | 1. Foreign Missions Conference of North America (Full membership) (Including membership on International Missionary Council since 1920) and 13 special F.M.C. committees<br>a) Foreign Missions Conference (Home Base) including International Missionary Conference $2,500<br>b) Missionary Public Relations—F.M.C. (Home Base) $375<br>c) Committee on Religious Liberty—F.M.C. (Home Base) $100<br>d) Africa Committee—(Home Base) $450<br>Africa Committee—(Field Projects) $245<br>e) Committee on Co-operation in Latin America (Home Base) $550<br>Committee on Co-operation in Latin America (Field Projects) $900<br>f) Far East Committee (Home Base) $400<br>g) China Committee (Home Base) $500<br>h) Japan Committee (Home Base) $300<br>i) India Committee (Home Base) $750<br>India Committee (Field Projects—N.C.C.) $1,750<br>India Committee (Field Projects—C.M.A.I. $175<br>j) Rural Missions Committee (Home Base) $300<br>k) Committee on Work among Moslems (Home Base) $70<br>l) Christian Medical Council | $20,015.00 | |

| “BOARD OR AGENCY | RELATIONSHIPS, JUNE 1950 | ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION | COMMENTS |
|---|---|---|---|
| | (Home Base) $250<br>m) Committee on Literacy and Literature (Home Base) $400<br>Committee on Literacy and Literature (Field Projects) $5,000<br>n) Committee on Radio, Audio-Visual Education and Mass Communication $5,000 | | |
| | 2. Missionary Education Movement (1918) (Full membership) | $ 500.00 | |
| | 3. Student Volunteer Movement (1944) | 300.00 | |
| | 4. Committee on Friendly Relations with Foreign Students (1949) | 500.00 | |
| | 5. Henry Martyn School (India) (1943) | 300.00 | |
| | 6. Velore Christian Medical College (India) (1944) | 4,000.00 | |
| | 7. Cheloo University (China) (1947) | 2,000.00 | |
| | 8. Booker T. Washington Institute (Liberia) (1945) | 1,300.00 | Relationships started 1920; discontinued 1933; renewed 1945 |
| | 9. Protestant Film Commission | 300.00* | |
| | | $29,115.00 | *See comment under Board of Publication. |
| “Luther League of America | 1. International Council of Religious Education (See comment) | None | Sends one representative to I.C.R.E. Committee on Religious Education of Youth. This representative is appointed by the Parish and Church School Board. |
| | 2. Missionary Education Movement (Full membership) | $ 60.00 | |
| “Lutheran Laymen’s Movement for Stewardship | United Stewardship Council (Full membership) | 440.00 | This relationship was officially approved in April, 1946, although U.L.C.A. Stewardship leaders had taken part in this council’s work from the time of its organization, September 27, 1920. |
| “National Lutheran Council | The National Lutheran Council as such has no official relationships with interdenominational agencies | None | Division of American Missions has had certain “co-operative chaplaincy responsibilities” on an interdenominational basis in temporary housing projects, war industries communities, etc.<br>Divison of Student Service makes modest (Total $850.00) grants in 6 college or university centers to interdenominational “Boards of Student Work” or “Student Christian Associations.” This division also contributes $500 annually to The |

| “BOARD OR AGENCY | RELATIONSHIPS, JUNE 1950 | ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION | COMMENTS |
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| | | | United Student Christian Council which is the American section of the World Student Christian Federation. |
| “Parish and Church School Board | 1. International Council of Religious Education (Consultative) | ($2,330.46 contributed by Board of Publication in its own name and that of Parish and Church School Board) | |
| | 2. International Association of Daily Vacation Bible Schools (Consultative) | None | |
| | 3. The Missionary Education Movement in the United States and Canada (Full membership, since January, 1949) | $107.64 | |
| “Board of Pension and Relief | The Church Pensions Conference (Not official relationship) | Participating boards pay expenses of annual meeting. 1949 assessment was $40.00 per board | A conference solely. Has no constitution, church-related agencies, e.g. YMCA, attend. Not limited to evangelical communions. Is business conference. U.L.C.A. began participation soon after 1918. Conference was founded in 1915. |
| “Board of Publication | 1. International Council of Religious Education (Consultative) | $2330.46 contributed by this Board in its own name and that of Parish and Church School Board | |
| | 2. Associated Church Press (on behalf of *The Lutheran* | $10.00 annual dues | An informal organization, includes approximately 100 periodicals. This relationship has been active “for 30 years.” |
| | 3. Religious Film Association (Consultative) | Total investment in circulating fund “of about $3,000.00.” Commissions on rentals from U.L.C.A. films are added to circulating fund. Operation continues solvent. Original sponsoring fund pro- | Includes some 20 denominations. Work is mainly promotion and rental of motion picture films on religious subjects, though the agency has charter right to produce films. |

| “BOARD OR AGENCY | RELATIONSHIPS, JUNE 1950 | ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION | COMMENTS |
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| | | rated on basis of Sunday school enrollment. | |
| | 4. Protestant Film Commission | $300.00 | Agency is chartered to produce, distribute and show films. Thus far has concentrated on production. U.L.C.A. Board of Foreign Missions has participated in building up production funds and participates in earnings of films so sponsored. |
| “Board of Social Missions | The Board as such has no interdenominational relationships. | $180.00 to National Service Board for Religious Objectors | Members of the Board and its staff have had prominent parts, as U.L.C.A. representatives, in work of: Federal Council of Churches; and on National Service Board for Religious Objectors, since 1941. |
| “Women's Missionary Society | 1. Foreign Missions Conference of North America (Full membership)<br>General Budget . . . $1,000.00<br>Public Relations Office . . . $150.00<br>Religious Liberty Commission . . . $50.00<br>Africa Committee . . . $275.00<br>Home Base . . . $125.00<br>Literature . . . 100.00<br>Christian Medical Council . . . $100.00<br>Committee on Co-operation in Latin America . . . $715.00 U.L.C.A.<br>Home Base . . . $250.00<br>Foreign Projects . . . $465.00<br>Far East Office—Home Base . . . $165.00<br>China Committee . . . $285.00<br>Japan Committee . . . $250.00<br>India Committee . . . $1,325.00<br>Home Base . . . $275.00<br>Foreign NCC . . . $250.00<br>CMAI—Medical . . . $150.00<br>Henry Martyn School of Islamic . . . $150.00<br>Headquarters Bldg. NCC . . . $500.00<br>Rural Missions Co-operating Committee . . . $100.00<br>Near East Committee . . . $50.00<br>World Literacy and Christian Literature . . . $2,800.00<br>Home Base . . . $300.00<br>Foreign . . . $2,500.00 | $7940.00 includes contribution to General Budget ($1,000.00) and to work of 15 F.M.C. Committees, Councils and programs. These appropriations made through Board of Foreign Missions of U.L.C.A. | Membership in women's groups which were merged into F.M.C. or Home Missions Council antedates founding of U.L.C.A. |

| “BOARD OR AGENCY | RELATIONSHIPS, JUNE 1950 | ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION | COMMENTS |
|---|---|---|---|
|  | Research Program—International Missionary Council . . . $175.00<br>Radio, Visual Education and Mass Communications Committee . . . $500.00 |  |  |
|  | 2. Home Missions Council of North America (Full membership) | $1,800 This appropriation made through Board of American Missions of U.L.C.A. but not included in the total of that Board's contribution. | See comment above. |
|  | *3. Cheloo University, China | $1,000.00 | *Contributed through Board of Foreign Missions but is in addition to the appropriation of that Board to these schools. |
|  | 4. St. Christopher's Training College, India | 1,000.00 |  |
|  | *5. Vellore Christian Medical College, India | 2,000.00 |  |
|  | 6. Women's Christian College, Madras, India | 1,500.00 |  |
|  | 7. Tokyo Women's Christian College, Japan | 1,250.00 |  |
|  | 8. Biblical Seminary, New York | 500.00 |  |
|  | 9. Missionary Education Movement (Since 1919) | 600.00 |  |
|  | 10. Student Volunteer Movement | 200.00 |  |
|  | 11. Summer Schools of Missions | 150.00 |  |
|  | 12. Committee on Friendly Relations with Foreign Students | 200.00 |  |
|  | 13. “Other Calls” from “Inter-Church Boards and Agencies” | 1,560.00 |  |
|  |  | $19,700.00” |  |

*(h) Observations on Resurvey of Interdenominational Relationships of Boards and Agencies*

“The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships makes the following observations on the above tabulations:

“1. The interdenominational relationships of our boards and agencies are within the framework of the principles which the U.L.C.A. has stood for from the beginning. Full membership is limited to agencies made up of approved representatives of evangelical churches. Agencies controlled wholly or in part by non-official church representatives, but which are evangelical in spirit and action have gained only limited participation from our boards and agencies. Inter-church, and inter-faith co-operation is strictly limited to agencies whose work is nonecclesiastical.

“2. There is a two-way flow of benefit in these relationships. We receive the blessing of identification with and participation in certain co-operative Christian services which no single church could undertake to render alone; we gain insight into methods and plans which can be adopted to the good of our own operations; we are benefited by the frequent contact with evangelical believers whose example of steady devotion to Christ and His Church is strengthening to our own discipleship. The stress of our representatives on the Gospel and ecclesiastical orderliness, plus the contribution of a good degree of technical competence and scholarship are given appreciative reception.

"3. The surveys (1945 and 1950) of the interdenominational relationships of U.L.C.A. boards and agencies and the related actions of the Executive Board and general conventions revealed that many of the affiliations of our boards and agencies with general interdenominational bodies had either been inherited by our boards and agencies from their pre-U.L.C.A. merger predecessor bodies or had been specifically approved in accordance with U.L.C.A. By-law, Section VIII, Item 2.

"4. Irregularities prior to 1945 appeared mainly in relationships with subsidiary agencies related to parent organizations, and interagency committees, commissions, etc.

"5. Now that provision is made for the review by the U.L.C.A. Executive Board of 'questions of relationships and grants to subsidiary agencies related to parent organizations with which we have already established relationships in the regular way,' (U.L.C.A. Minutes, 1946, p. 162) we have an adequate safeguard against the independent establishment by our boards and agencies of such multiple and costly relationships.

"6. The interdenominational relationships of U.L.C.A. boards and agencies have not increased significantly in number, or extent of commitment, since the survey of 1945 was published.

"7. The financial contributions of our boards and agencies to interdenominational organizations and activities have grown in a few instances to significant totals. (Controls described in the recommended actions concerning the NCCCUSA would make possible the frequent review of new and additional commitments of this kind.) The increasing investment of time and energy on the part of U.L.C.A. board and staff members in these interdenominational activities requires that some controls be set up in this area also."

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships believes that when and if the relationships of the U.L.C.A. to the NCCCUSA is determined, it would be well for the Church to acquaint our synods, boards and agencies with any proper implication of the general Church's action for them in their relationships to state and area councils."

The summary of the 1950 resurvey of the interdenominational relationships of U.L.C.A. boards and agencies, together with the seven observations and the comment immediately above were received by the Executive Board as information.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report:

"The Executive Board, at its October 1949 meeting adopted a recommendation calling for a consultation between the officers and the administrative officers of the Board of Publication concerning the possibility of publishing, in the *Pastor's Desk Book,* a guide to the principles governing local interdenominational relationships of our congregations, their ministers and auxiliaries.

"The secretary, on behalf of the officers, conferred with H. Torrey Walker, executive secretary of the Board of Publication, on December 28, 1949, and was assured by him that copy for the proposed guide would be acceptable for publication in the *Pastor's Desk Book."*

This item was received as information.

*(i) Recommendations*

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following requests and recommendations:

(1) "The Committee of Seventeen requests the U.L.C.A. Executive Board to empower the President of the Church to call a conference of the presidents and executive secretaries of our boards, auxiliaries and other agencies as soon after the formation of the NCCCUSA as feasible, to consider and recommend to the Executive Board any possible next steps in the establishing of relationships between our boards, auxiliaries and other agencies and the departments, etc. of the NCCCUSA.

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS that action on this item be deferred."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

(2) "The Committee of Seventeen requests the Executive Board to empower the officers of the Church to consult with the administrative officers of the Board of Publication concerning the possibility of publishing in the *Pastor's Desk Book* a guide to the principles governing local interdenominational relationships of our congregations, their auxiliaries and ministers.

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS that this request be approved."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

(3) "The Committee of Seventeen requests the Executive Board to ask the officers of the Church in include a discussion of the interdenominational relationships of synods and congregations and ministers on the program of the 1951 conference of synodical presidents.

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS the approval of this request."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

(4) "The Committee of Seventeen requests the U.L.C.A. Executive Board to encourage the constituent synods to submit in advance, for review and counsel by the U.L.C.A. Executive Board, proposals to establish relationships with state councils of churches or other regional interdenominational agencies. (For action, see p. 1046)

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS that the U.L.C.A. Executive Board adopt this procedure outlined in the paragraph above and submit this matter to the 1950 convention of the U.L.C.A. for final action."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the October 3, 1950, meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following:

"At the January 1947 meeting (Minutes, p. 3) the Executive Board constituted the 'Committee of Seventeen' for the purpose of making

"(a) 'a thorough and constructive study of the relationships of synods to state federations and of congregations to local federations' and

"(b) 'of boards and agencies to all interdenominational organizations with which the boards and agencies are now connected by whatever form of membership.'

"Three comprehensive studies by the Committee of Seventeen were completed during the past biennium:

(a) Interdenominational relationships of congregations and ministers. (Results and observations reported to October 1949 meeting, Minutes, pp. 491 and 492)

(b) Interdenominational relationships of synods. (Results and observations reported to June 1950 meeting, Minutes, pp. 963-967)

(c) Interdenominational relationships of boards and agencies. (Results and observations reported to June 1950 meeting, Minutes, pp. 967-976)

"In accordance with the previous understanding of this Board (April 1947, Minutes, p. 140) the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS that the Committee of Seventeen, having completed the assignment made by the Executive Board, be discharged.

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

Moved and seconded that the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships be instructed to prepare the "guide to the principles governing local interdenominational relationships of our congregations, their auxiliaries and ministers" referred to in (i) recommendation (2) (p. 501) above.

The above action was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 2. Second Southeastern Convocation, December 1949, Atlanta, Georgia

#### *(a) The U.L.C.A. "Friendly Visitors"*

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendations:

"In December, 1947, the joint southeastern office of the Federal Council, the International Council of Religious Education, and the Home Missions Council of North America, having been established at Atlanta, Georgia, a convocation, approved by the Executive Committee of the Federal Council, was held in Atlanta, Georgia. Its purposes were promotion, interpretation, improvement of public relations and inspiration. The U.L.C.A. officers approved the attendance of the presidents of our southeastern synods together with several pastors in key positions in the southeast. Most of them were present. Their status was that of 'friendly visitors.' Practically all of the visitors sent a written report on the convocation to this Commission. The responses were almost uniformly positive—a few were enthusiastic. The expenses were paid by the U.L.C.A.

"The president of our synods in the southeast and the officers of the U.L.C.A. have been given notice of a second such convocation. It is to be held in Atlanta, Georgia, December 6-8, 1949.

"The U.L.C.A. Commission to the FCCCA asks the Executive Board to invite the presidents of our Virginia, Kentucky-Tennessee, Georgia-Alabama, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Florida synods, and the chairman of the Executive Board's Committee on Interdenominational Relationships, to attend the Southeastern Convocation as friendly visitors and that, under the chairmanship of the Rev. P. D. Brown, these visitors be asked to render a joint report on the convocation to the Executive Board.

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board authorize the presidents of our Virginia, Kentucky-Tennessee, Georgia-Alabama, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Florida Synods, and instruct the chairman of the Executive Board's Committee on Interdenominational Relationships, to attend the

Southeastern Convocation as friendly visitors, with the request that these friendly visitors make clear to the convocation that their presence does not indicate any abandonment by the United Lutheran Church of its basic principles as to church unity."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS that the expenses of the chairman of the Executive Board's Committee on Interdenominational Relationships to this convocation be paid out of the funds available to the Commission to the FCCCA in 1949, and that, as far as possible, the expenses of the other friendly visitors be paid out of these funds."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### (b) *The Report of the U.L.C.A. "Friendly Visitors"*

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report:

"The U.L.C.A. 'Friendly Visitors' to the Second Southeastern Interchurch Convocation held in Atlanta, Georgia, December 6-8, 1949, have submitted a joint report giving their impressions and appraisals of the Convocation. Five presidents of southern Synods, or their appointed representatives, attended. The chairman of the committee on Interdenominational Relationships was prevented from attending on account of illness. The Rev. F. L. Conrad, president of the North Carolina Synod, served as chairman of the report committee. The report follows:

"'Joint Report of the U.L.C.A. "Friendly Visitors"
to
the Second Southeastern Interchurch Convocation
Atlanta, Georgia
December 6-8, 1949

"'Your Committee desires to present its impression and appraisal of the Second Southeastern Interchurch Convocation held in Atlanta, Georgia, December 6-8, 1949, under the following headings:

"'1. SEMINARS

"'Although there came from the floors of the seminars some careless, impetuous and ill-formed comments and suggestions of a unionistic, legalistic and political nature, they were carefully guided by competent leaders and resource agencies, with many excellent and helpful results.

"'It was interesting to note the emphasis many speakers gave to the necessity of developing the individual Christian, and the urgency of the individual Christian impact on the evil forces of a community, rather than an official or united marshaling of the combined churches, on unsavory conditions in a local community. This is particularly true in the seminar on Christian Evangelism.

"'Your "Friendly Visitor," the Rev. J. Luther Mauney, of Virginia, was instrumental in phrasing the report of the Findings Committee on Christian Education; and it was unanimously accepted by the general session.

"'In an attempt to phrase an acceptable definition of Christian Stewardship—in the Stewardship Seminar—the Rev. Royall A. Yount proposed Dr. Greever's definition, and it was unanimously adopted.

"'Dr. Karl Kinard made some helpful comments to the seminar on the United Evangelism Advance, and says that, "to practically all the conclusions, we could agree."

"'The Rev. C. K. Derrick—on seminar of Christian Social Relations—reports that, despite some rather rash statements by extremists, nothing too objectionable happened; and some good and helpful things resulted.

" 'In the seminar on Race Relations your North Carolina representative tried to be a "visitor," but was asked to make some remarks, and did so; which apparently aided certain persons informationally and scripturally and with good effects.

" 'It is the unanimous opinion of your committee of "friendly visitors," that in the fields of research, mechanics and survey, we can be greatly benefited by maintaining our relationship to this interchurch group. And in the fields of conservatism and evangelical faith and practice, we can be of assistance to the interchurch group.

" 'The address of Dean Luther A. Weigle was of a high and helpful order. The presentation of 'Our Heritage from the Reformation' by Dr. Samuel McCrea Cavert, was most favorably received by your "friendly visitors." His development was threefold. (*a*) Justification by faith, (*b*) the priesthood of all believers and (*c*) the freedom of the Christian.

" '2. CONVOCATION

" 'The prevailing spirit which prompted the gathering of these bodies together in the Atlanta Convocation, seemed to be a wholesome one; and a positive recognition of the values of a co-operative approach to the various phases of the tasks confronting the Christian churches in the Southeastern region. In the main, the mood of the assembly, seemed to be a sober recognition of the real difficulties, legitimate need and opportunity for co-operation, and a desire to explore and develop such phases of a united approach, as are possible, without sacrificing denominational identity.

" 'Although your "Friendly Visitors" were sometimes referred to by the overly zealous as "the others," and, "what have you?" we were most cordially received and heard. And we believe that it was good for us and the convocation that we were there.

" '3. MORNING WORSHIP

" 'Substituting for the Rev. P. D. Brown for the worship period on Thursday morning, your North Carolina representative gave a very positive gospel message which was most favorably received by all who made comments to him. One good Episcopal lady said, "Well, I have been here since the opening, and have missed nothing, but this is the first time I have gotten something." (I repeat this only as it gives weight to our report—not boastingly.)

" 'It is the unanimous judgment of your "Friendly Visitors" that we should continue to participate in such convocations as we now do.

President Karl W. Kinard, for the South Carolina Synod
President J. Luther Mauney, for the Virginia Synod
The Rev. C. K. Derrick, for the Georgia-Alabama Synod
The Rev. Royall A. Yount, for the Florida Synod
President F. L. Conrad, for the North Carolina Synod and Chairman
/s/ F. L. Conrad'

"We call attention to the following excerpt from the report; 'It is the unanimous opinion of your Committee of "Friendly Visitors" that in the fields of research, mechanics and survey, we can be greatly benefited by maintaining our relationship to this interchurch group. And in the fields of conservatism and evangelical faith and practice, we can be of assistance to the interchurch group.' They report that the prevailing spirit in the Convocation seemed to be a wholesome one. The committee expressed the unanimous judgment that we should continue participation in future convocations as 'Friendly Visitors.' "

The report was received as information.

### 3. Invitation to Conference on Christian Unity

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

"On June 8, 1949, the Rev. Drs. Douglas Horton, chairman, and Mark A. Dawber, secretary of 'A Planning Committee for a Conference on Church Unit,' addressed the following letter to President Franklin Clark Fry:

> " 'On November 29, 1948, in Cincinnati, a meeting was held of a Planning Committee for a Conference on Church Unity. Careful consideration was given to plans necessary in order to arrange for a more representative conference to be held sometime in the fall of 1949. It has been decided to hold this meeting on December 14-15-16 at Princeton, New Jersey, in the Princeton Inn.
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> " 'We are asking the denominations interested to appoint from three to seven official delegates and that some laymen be included in this group. We should appreciate it very much if you would give this consideration and if at all possible join in this conference. We shall be glad to hear from you soon regarding any decision that has been made, also to receive the names of the delegates you appoint.
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> " 'We are enclosing a statement that we were requested to prepare, setting forth what in our judgment are the reasons for further steps being taken at this time to secure a more united church.
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> " 'We shall be grateful for your co-operation in making this meeting in December a most vital next step toward achieving the unity we all desire.' "

The call to the conference says:

> " 'The time seems ripe for such a conference. Great issues in which the Christian Church has much at stake are confronting us as a nation, and if any impact is to be made upon them it will require united effort. . . .
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> " 'But above all this is the challenge of secularism, materialism and sin. . . .
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> " 'The mergers taking place between certain denominations are all to the good and should be encouraged. . . .
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> " 'But ultimately the organic union of the major denominations of Protestantism is inevitable. It would therefore seem wise to begin now to study and plan for such organic union.'

"President Fry, writing under date of June 27, 1949, replied as follows:

> " 'Your courteous invitation to our Church to appoint representatives to the proposed Conference on Church Unity next December arrived two weeks ago and I am chagrined that you have not received a reply before this late date. Apologies are futile but the honest reason for my silence until now is simply that I have been away from New York except for a very few days all through this month.
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> " 'The approach which you make to the United Lutheran Church has such deep-going implications that I am not able to answer it on my own authority. However, I shall present your letter and the accompanying sheet of explanatory material to the Executive Board of our Church at its next meeting on August 11.
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> " 'Can you furnish us with further information about the Planning Committee, telling us how it is composed, which churches it represents officially and other facts which may guide our Executive Board in its conclusions?
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> " 'The basic convictions of The United Lutheran Church in America concerning Christian unity are set forth distinctly is the so-called Washington Declaration of our Church, adopted in 1920, of which I am taking the liberty of enclosing a copy. Our Church conscientiously believes that agreement in belief and confession is an indispensable prerequisite to the unity for which we all earnestly hope. This principle came clearly to the fore two and one-half years ago at the time of an approach from the General Council of Congregational Christian Churches and the International Convention of the Disciples of Christ to the Federal Council of Churches asking it to mediate with other communions in seeking to arrange a conference of the type which you project now. The action of our Church's Executive Board on January 8-9, 1947, may give you a clue to its probable

> attitude next August. With that in view, I am enclosing a copy of that document too.'

"At the January 8-9, 1947, meeting of the U.L.C.A. Executive Board a somewhat similar proposal for a Conference on Christian Unity was considered. At that time this Board instructed the president of the Church to reply that 'The United Lutheran Church in America does not desire to participate in the conference as proposed; and that this reply be accompanied by a copy of the statement of The United Lutheran Church in America "Concerning the Organic Union of Protestant Churches" as contained in its Washington Declaration, as follows:

> " 'In view of the widespread discussion concerning the organic union of the Protestant churches in America, we declare:
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> " 'I. That we hold the union of Christians in a single organization to be of less importance than the agreement of Christians in the proclamation of the Gospel. We believe that the one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church exists through and under divergent forms of external organizations. Union of organization we hold, therefore, to be a matter of expediency; agreement in testimony to be a matter of principle.
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> " 'II. That holding the preaching of the Gospel and the administration of the Sacraments to be the primary function of every Church, we believe that a clear definition of what is meant by "Gospel" and "Sacrament" must precede any organic union of the churches. We believe that a permanent and valid union of churches must be based upon positive agreements concerning the truth for which the united Church Body is to stand. The churches cannot unite as mere Protestants, but only as confessors.
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> " 'III. That as a necessary step toward a genuine organic union, we believe that the Protestant Church bodies in America should endeavor to set forth, definitely and positively, the views of Christian truth for which each of them does now actually stand, in order that by their clear and unequivocal testimony to what they hold to be the truth, the nature and extent of their agreements and disagreements may become apparent.
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> " 'IV. That we recognize the obligation which rests upon us to make a clear and full declaration concerning the truth which we hold, and are therefore ready, as opportunity offers, to give answer concerning our reasons for accepting and maintaining the doctrines and principles set forth in the Confessions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church.
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> " 'V. That until a more complete unity of confession is attained than now exists, The United Lutheran Church in America is bound in duty and in conscience to maintain its separate identity as a witness to the truth which it knows; and its members, its ministers, its pulpits, its fonts and its altars must testify only to that truth.'

"Inasmuch as the call to the December 14-16, 1949, conference on church unity includes no specific indication that its explorations will be concerned with the 'necessary step toward a genuine organic union' i.e. setting 'forth definitely and positively, the views of Christian truth for which each of them (the participating churches) does now actually stand, in order that by their clear and unequivocal testimony to what they hold to be the truth, the nature and extent of their agreements and disagreements may become apparent,'

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS that the President of the Church be instructed to write a letter to the chairman and secretary of the Planning Committee for a Conference on Church Unity expressing (1) this Board's appreciation of the invitation extended by that committee to The United Lutheran Church in America; (2) quoting paragraphs I through V from the Washington Declaration referred to earlier in this item; (3) respectfully indicating that The United Lutheran Church in America, in view of its conviction already stated, is not able to take part in this conference."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 4. Federal Council of Churches Department of National Religious Radio Discontinued, Protestant Radio Commission Established

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report:

"The Federal Council of Churches was one of the agencies which founded the Protestant Radio Commission. The functions and some of the executive personnel of the FCCCA radio department were absorbed into the new agency. The representatives of the U.L.C.A. on the FCCCA department committee were Mr. Henry Beisler and Mr. S. Frederick Telleen. This item is merely to indicate that the relationship of the U.L.C.A. to the Department of National Religious Radio of the Federal Council of Churches was terminated with the establishment of the Protestant Radio Commission, September 17, 1947."

This item was received as information.

### 5. Protestant Radio Commission: Reports of U.L.C.A. "Friendly Visitors"

*(a) First report*

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report:

"Mr. S. Frederick Telleen, member of the Lutheran Laymen's Radio Committee, was requested to attend the meeting of the commission on March 17, 1948, as an observer and to report developments to the president.

"Mr. Telleen acceded to the request of the Executive Board for him to continue to act as an observer of the Protestant Radio Commission and has submitted a clear and comprehensive report of recent developments to the president.

"The Executive Board then appointed two members of our Lutheran Laymen's Radio Committee, Messrs. S. Frederick Telleen and Henry Beisler, to sit as friendly visitors in meetings of the Protestant Radio Commission, upon the understanding that either of these men may be permitted to send a deputy in his stead, and upon the further understanding that regular seminannual reports will be transmitted to the Executive Board through this committee.

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships submits the following report of Mr. Telleen as information:

" 'REPORT TO THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE U.L.C.A.
" 're: Protestant Radio Commission

" 'Four meetings of the commission were held in 1948, at which at least one of your representatives was present. Mr. Henry Endress was also present as representative of the United Stewardship Council.

" 'Dr. Quinter Miller, a secretary of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, was elected at the March 17 meeting as interim executive secretary.

" 'At that meeting it was stated that present participation in network programs is to remain undisturbed. A similar statement was made at the meeting of the Federal Council of Churches held the preceding day.

" 'In the case of network programs sponsored by the Federal Council of Churches, each program would continue to have its special committee which will be responsible for finances. Accordingly, in the new set-up, our Lutheran Laymen's Radio Committee should be permitted to function as heretofore.

" 'In addition to representatives from Protestant Church bodies, Church World Service and the American Bible Society were to be represented on the commission. There were to be five representatives from state and local councils of churches. There were also to be five members of the commission to be chosen on the basis of special competence in radio matters.

" 'The basis of representation in the Commission for Church bodies would be one member plus an additional representative for each million members or part thereof above the first million. That would have entitled us to two representatives if we had joined. Our share of the budget would accordingly have been $2,000.

" 'Annual meetings of the commission are to be held in February of each year but special meetings may be called by the president and Executive Committee, or by any four members of the commission.

" 'As of the first of this year, 1949, the National Religious Radio Division of the Federal Council of Churches was to have merged into the Protestant Radio Commission. If and when the National Council of Churches of Christ in the U.S.A. has been established, the Protestant Radio Commission will function within its framework.

" 'Provision for continuing relationships with the latter were to be provided for contributing bodies so desiring, even if they do not become members of the NCCCUSA.

" 'Up to the time of the last meeting in 1948, on December 21, the Radio Commission had not secured a permanent executive secretary. Two men were suggested, Ronald Bridges, a Congregational layman, and Luther Wesley Smith, a member of the Baptist Church. The commission gave power to the Executive Committee to select one of the two for the position, provided it could do so unanimously.

" 'It was emphasized at that meeting that $69,500 must be obtained from member communions in 1949 and that a minimum of $3,000 would be expected from each.' "

This item was received as information.

*(b) Protestant Radio Commission, 1949 Gift to*

(See III, 25, (a) p. 152.)

*(c) Second Report*

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report:

"For the information of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presents the report of Mr. S. F. Telleen, U.L.C.A. 'Friendly Visitor' to the meeting of the Protestant Radio Commission, June 6, 1949 as follows:

" 'The meeting was held in the R.C.A. exhibition hall on West 49th Street. Dr. Truman C. Douglas, vice chairman, presided.

" 'After prayer, the minutes of the preceding meeting and the agenda for this meeting were approved.

" 'The first report was that of the Committee on Personnel, given by Dr. Paul C. Payne. The Committee presented the name of Dr. Samuel Stevens, President of Grinnel College, Iowa, for the position of executive secretary. The Commission voted unanimously to give the Commission power to offer the position to him and increased the proposed salary from $9,000 to $10,000. (Later: Dr. Stevens declined the offer.)

" 'The resignation of Charles P. Taft as chairman, because of lack of time and unwillingness to hold an office to which he could not give personal attention, was presented and accepted with regret. Dr. Payne was elected to serve as chairman until the end of the year. Search will be made for another permanent chairman and Governor Youngdahl of Minnesota was mentioned as being of the type desired and "a fine Christian gentleman."

" 'The treasurer's report showed $29,800 as the amount accepted by participating church bodies and $9,800 as the total paid to date. Our payment of $1,000 increased both figures accordingly. Our share was indicated as

$6,000 of which a total of $2,000 had been paid. This is better than the average contribution of the church bodies listed. From interdenominational organizations $4,750 had been received as against $16,000 requested. Special contributions for new programs totaled $49,725, including $23,000 received from the Congregational Christian Church and $24,000 promised by the Presbyterian Church of the U.S.A. available January 1, 1950. The Methodist Church was expected to pay a similar amount.

" 'The Program Committee presented a detailed program and budget totaling for 1950 $251,000. There were forty-five paragraphs in this report with six major divisions, namely,

I. Educational Functions
II. Services to Local Communities
III. Programming
IV. Audience Mail and Fund Raising, Federal Council Programs
V. Promotion
VI. Reserve

" 'The following is extracted from the Program Committee Report: It hopes the Commission will be able to serve as the Radio and Television planning and production agency for all Protestantism, and during the next twelve months to serve the Home Missions Council, the United Church Campaign of Evangelism, Church World Service, the World Council of Christian Education, Foreign Missions Boards in Missionary Education Work, and other church agencies. The first task, however, is the provision of a farseeing program that will interpret Christianity to the securlarized American culture.

" 'Included in the six National Divisions listed above were a monthly news bulletin of happenings in religious Radio and Television, a weekly Protestant news commentary, service to local churches in communities where programs are broadcast and sponsored by local groups, National Vespers (with which they include our four-months Sunday Vespers Program.)

" 'As to the Vespers Programs it is expected to expand the musical portion to include a twelve-voice chorus. The weekly cost for Sunday Vespers Programs would be $612.80 as a maximum. (Our expenses for Sunday Vespers with the enlarged musical program for seventeen weeks would, at the figure named, total $10,417.60.

" 'A promotion budget item for publicity pamphlets etc. totaling $10,000 was suggested.

" 'S. F. Telleen
U.L.C.A. Friendly Visitor' "

This report was received as information.

*(d) Protestant Radio Commission, 1950 Gift to*

(See III, 25, (b), p. 152.)

**6. Relationship of the Parish and Church School Board to the Missionary Education Movement**

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

"At its meeting on December 7 and 8, 1948, The Parish and Church School Board adopted the following:

" 'That the Parish and Church School Board requests of the Executive Board of the Church the privilege of establishing the same relationship with the Missionary Education Movement as that which the Board of Foreign Missions has with this agency.'

"Dr. Rhyne has added this paragraph of interpretation:

" 'By way of explanation, our board at present has a consultative relationship with the Missionary Education Movement in the children's division. This was granted on the basis of the missionary activities of the Children

> of the Church. Mrs. Fenner has recently come to our board as missionary education secretary. She will work with all age groups. It seems important that our board should now have a relationship with all divisions of the Missionary Education Movement. We are not exactly clear on the relationship of the Board of Foreign Missions to the Missionary Education Movement, but we feel that our relationship should be comparable.'

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships regards this as a valid request and RECOMMENDS that full membership in the Missionary Education Movement by the Parish and Church School Board be approved."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 7. Parish and Church School Board Request for Permission to Send Representatives to Convention of World Council of Christian Education Approved

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Parish and Church School Board adopted the following at its meeting, December 6-7, 1949:

> " 'The International Council of Religious Education, instead of holding its Quadrennial Convention in 1951, will advance the date of its convention to 1950 in order to coincide with the dates of the World Council of Christian Education Convention to be held in Toronto, Canada. One day of the World Council of Christian Education Convention will be a meeting of the Quadrennial Convention of the International Council of Religious Education.
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> " 'As a consultative member of the International Council of Religious Education our Board has always sent representatives to the Quadrennial Convention. It has also encouraged Sunday school workers to attend the convention.
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> " 'The Conference of the World Council of Christian Education is an entirely educational project, with no legislative functions whatever. About 5,000 delegates are expected.
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> " 'Recommendation: That the Parish and Church School Board request permission of the Executive Board of the Church for our representatives to attend the conference of the World Council of Christian Education in connection with their attendance at the Quadrennial Convention of the International Council of Religious Education, at Toronto, Canada, on August 10-16, 1950.'

"Your committee looks with favor on this request but feels that two statements of clarification need to be made. One day of the convention of World Council of Christian Education will be devoted to regional meetings of its components. One of these is the International Council of Religious Education (United States and Canada) in which our Parish and Church School Board holds consultative membership. The ICRE convention which will be held on that day will be officially considered the Quadrennial Convention of that body which the representatives of the Parish and Church School Board would be authorized to attend in any case.

"The exact name of the meeting of the World Council of Christian Education to which reference is made is the 'convention' not 'conference' of that body. A confusion in nomenclature occured because the World Council of Christian Education will hold an 'institute,' a 'convention,' and an "assembly' in rapid succession in Canada next summer. The 'convention' will be the largest and most inclusive gathering of interested people that the World Council of Christian Education can attract.

"The Convention will have no legislative powers of any character. It will be exclusively inspirational and will be intended to give a panoramic view of parish education all over the world.

"With these clarifications the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board give its approval to the request."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 8. Participation by Canadian Baptist Mission in the Andhra Christian College

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

"The following action has been received from the Board of Foreign Missions which requests the approval thereof by the Executive Board:

> "'Voted that we approve of an invitation being extended to the Canadian Baptist Mission to co-operate in the Andhra Christian College in accordance with the approved Plan of Co-operation, subject to the approval of the U.L.C.A. Executive Board.'

"In view of the fact that the Church Missionary Society (Anglican), the English Wesleyans, and the American Baptist Mission of the Northern Baptist Convention are now co-operating in the Andhra Christian College and also in view of the assurance by Dr. Fred J. Fiedler, a secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, that our mission and church in India recognize the Canadian Baptist Mission as evangelical and that for many years the Lutherans and Baptists in this area have had amicable relations.

The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS approval of this action of the Board of Foreign Missions."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 9. Proposed National Lutheran Council Membership in the General Commission on Chaplains

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships has received a communication from the Rev. Paul C. Empie presenting a proposal from the Executive Committee of The National Lutheran Council for a limited membership in the General Commission on Chaplains. According to Article IV, f, of the Constitution of the National Lutheran Council, the Council can assume relationships with other church agencies only upon the approval of all the participating bodies. For the information of the Executive Board the following pertinent paragraphs from Dr. Empie's communication are given:

> "'At the November 8 meeting of the Executive Committee of the Council, the executive director presented a recommendation from the committee of the Bureau of Service to Military Personnel that the National Lutheran Council take consultative membership in the General Commission on Chaplains, making a contribution of $500 per year toward the work of that Commission.
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> "'The action of the Executive Committee was as follows: "VOTED: *that subject to approval by the participating bodies* of this new interdenominational relationship, the National Lutheran Council take consultative membership in the General Commission on Chaplains and authorize a payment of $500 per year to the Commisison from the core budget of the Bureau of Service to Military Personnel."
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> "'The purpose of this memorandum is to request that this proposal be considered officially by your church body, through whatever procedure is proper in such matters, to indicate officially its approval or disapproval of such participation in the General Commission on Chaplains.
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> "'Full affiliation affords voting membership and participation in the framing of policies and program. It requires full proportionate support of the budget.

> In the case of the National Lutheran Council this would mean between $7,000-$8,000 annually. *Full affiliation is not proposed by our Service Bureau committee.*
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> "'Partial affiliation would mean a *consultative membership,* which would make it possible for representatives to sit in the *meetings* and express their views, receiving at the same time benefit of information and materials. It is proposed that $500 be contributed as a token gift toward the budget.'

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board approve the proposal of the National Lutheran Council that the Council take consultative membership in the General Commission on Chaplains."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 10. Japan International Christian University, Church Advisory Committee, Membership of President Fry Approved

(See III, 26, p. 153, of this report.)

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

"President Fry has been invited to accept membership on the Church Advisory Committee of the Japan International Christian University Foundation, Inc., along with 'the titular heads of all the churches which have indicated approval' of this cause.

"In view of the endorsement of the Japan International Christian University by our daughter church (Executive Board Minutes, April 1949, p. 222) the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Japan, and the friendly interest of the Board of Foreign Missions in this project; and

"Further in view of the action of the Executive Board in April, 1949, 'recognizing that many members of The United Lutheran Church in America will be solicited individually and without doubt will contribute liberally to the establishment of a Christian University in Japan,' the

"Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS that the membership of President Fry in the Church Advisory Committee be approved."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 11. Appointment of Rev. Rollin G. Schaffer to Church World Service Committee on Education and Information

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

"Church World Service has consented to await the approval of the Executive Board before formally electing members of the United Lutheran Church to its various committees (Executive Board Minutes, August 1947, p. 233). The Rev. Rollin G. Shaffer, an assistant to Dr. Empie in preparing Lutheran World Action materials, is a nominee to the Committee on Education and Information of Church World Service.

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships RECOMMENDS the approval of the nomination of the Rev. Rollin G. Shaffer to the Church World Service Committee of Education and Information."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 12. The Canada Synod and the Canadian Council of Churches

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Interdenominational Relationships presented the following report and recommendation:

"On September 11, 1950, the following letter was received from the secretary of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Canada:

" 'The Executive Board
United Lutheran Church in America,
231 Madison Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

" 'Dear Brethren,

" 'At a regular meeting of the Executive Committee of the Ev. Lutheran Synod of Canada held at Waterloo, Ontario, September 7, 1950, the following motion was made and unanimously carried.

" ' "That the Executive Committee of the Ev. Lutheran Synod of Canada hereby requests the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church to take under advisement the petition passed at the 1950 meeting of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Canada, namely:

*" ' "That the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Canada express to The United Lutheran Church in America its desire to appoint consulting attendants to the meetings of the Canadian Council of Churches and its departments, and that the Executive of the Synod be authorized to appoint such consulting attendants after receiving the approval of The United Lutheran Church in America.' "*

" 'The Executive Committee of the Ev. Lutheran Synod of Canada is of the opinion that it was the original intention of the Synod that this petition should be forwarded to the Executive Board with the request that said Board take the initiative and assume responsibility in this matter.

" 'Inclosed are three copies of Canadian Council of Churches Constitution.

" 'Cordially yours,
/s/ C. R. Cronmiller
C. R. Cronmiller, Sec'ty.'

"The Committee on Interdenominational Relationships Recommends that the secretary acknowledge receipt of this letter and the three copies of the Constitution of the Canadian Council of Churches, and assure the Executive Committee of the Canada Synod that its request will be given full and prompt consideration by the Executive Board. Action at this time is impractical because of the lateness of the receipt of the request."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

## IX. EXECUTIVE BOARD

### MISCELLANEOUS

**1. President to Appoint 1949-1950 Committee on Faith and Life; and First Consulting Committee for Department of Church Architecture**

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the president offered the following comment and question concerning the two committees named immediately above:

"The 1948 convention instructed the Executive Board (see Item 4 and 6 in the list of matters referred by it to the Executive Board, page 556) to appoint two committees. One is to be 'a new Committee on Faith and Life for the next biennium.' The other is to be a 'Consulting Committee for the Department of Church Architecture' consisting of clergymen, architects and craftsmen of special competence and persons representing the interests of boards and agencies having collateral responsibilities.

"Although this first meeting of the Executive Board in the new biennium is clearly not the most advantageous time for the appointment of these committees, do you desire to decide now how and when these committees are to be appointed?"

The Executive Board adopted the following motion: "Moved and carried, That the president, in consultation with the other officers and the chairman of the Committee on Boards and Committees, be authorized to appoint these two committees."

(See IX, 2, (b), p. 527, of this report for personnel of 1949-1950 Faith and Life Committee.)

(See VI, C, vi, 1, p. 276, of this report for personnel of first Consulting Committee on Church Architecture.)

### 2. Faith and Life: Progress on 1948 Report; Personnel of 1949-1950 Committee; Text of 1950 Report

*(a) Progress Reports of Expediter, 1948 Report*

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the assistant to the president presented the following report:

"FIRST PROGRESS REPORT, FAITH AND LIFE, 1948

"The 1948 convention instructed 'the Executive Board to assign the responsibility for expediting the carrying out of the proposals of the (Faith and Life) report to a person or persons specifically appointed for this task.' This duty has been assigned to the assistant to the president, whose first progress report is now submitted as follows:

" 'The Church, too, reaps as it sows.' This sentence, lifted from the report of the Committee on Faith and Life, is a startlingly clear parallel to one of Paul's most forceful teachings: 'For whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.' Quite evidently he was forcing his readers to come to grips with the familiar formula that causes produce effects, not alone in one's vocational life but even more vitally in one's religious life.

"For 2,000 years the spokesmen of the Christian Church have applied this teaching of Paul to individuals. Only seldom, in moments of rare and sharp insight, has the Church viewed its own life in the light of these same words. Yes, 'the Church, too, reaps as it sows.'

"The delegates to the Philadelphia convention had such a moment of rare and sharp insight when they adopted with enthusiasm the report of the Committee on Faith and Life. It shot like an arrow straight to the heart of the Church's life. No new machinery was called for; no new programs were recommended. 'The report and recommendations indicate (the) conviction that significant and permanent advancement in attendance, education, stewardship, evangelism, social action, etc., can be hoped for as the Church succeeds in invigorating the inner faith and life of its members.' The entire plan is 'person-concerned.'

"Now, ten months after the convention in Philadelphia, we can report that the life lines of the Gospel are being strengthened and extended, that definite plans have been formulated to deepen the faith of the individual member, and to make more robust his Christian life. Truly we have reason to be confident that there will be an increase in the 'treasury of dedicated souls.'

"Adhering to the pattern set by the report itself, I present the first 'report of progress' on this historically important activity of the United Lutheran Church.

"I. *The Confessional Character of the Lutheran Church*

"(1) 'A Study of the Confessions' by the Rev. Willard D. Allbeck is to be published in the spring of 1950; however, this book may not fully meet the requirements of the recommendation. Executive Secretary S. White Rhyne of the Parish and Church School Board suggests that a representative from the Executive Board, one from the Parish and Church School Board and one from the Board of Publication jointly select a person to write the 'description' of the introductory book on the confessions of the Lutheran Church. The 'description' would be approved by the three chosen representatives who would then make the assignment of an author. Frequently the author is the same person as the one writing the 'description.' The author would be asked to submit a chapter or two for checking and editing before the entire work would be completed. (*Executive Board, Parish and Church School Board, Board of Publication*)

(See additional reports, and recommendations on this item in Appendix following this first progress report.)

"(2) Secretary Letts reports that the staff of the Board of Social Missions will be conferring upon the 'scholarly study, which may eventuate in a definitive book, of the Lutheran approach to Christian social responsibility' upon the return of Executive Secretary Koch about August 15. (*Board of Social Missions*)

"(3) A few steps have been taken to date concerning the 'preparation and publication by the United Lutheran Church, if possible in co-operation with other American Lutheran church bodies, of new catechetical materials for both children's and adult classes.' Executive Secretary Rhyne reports that

"'(*a*) A one-year catechetical course for confirmation classes is in course of preparation by the Rev. Donald Irvin and will be available in the spring of 1950.

"'(*b*) A two-year course is planned, although nothing definite has yet been done.

"'(*c*) A manuscript for an adult catechetical course has been submitted by the Rev. William Horn and is now under review.

"'(*d*) Representatives of the Parish and Church School Board have entered into consultation with representatives of other National Lutheran Council groups looking forward to the preparation of an adult catechetical class text.' (*Parish and Church School Board*)

### "II. *The Primacy of the Word and Sacraments in the Preaching and Teaching of the Church*

"(1) To be encouraged through the *Pastor's Desk Book*

"(2)

"(*a*) 'The Life of Christ'

A second series leadership training course, 'Jesus and His Teachings,' will be ready for distribution in 1950. The author is Professor T. S. Leifeldt of the American Lutheran Church.

'The Life of St. Paul'
A 'description' of 'Paul, the Man and His Work' is in preparation. The final publication is probably two years away.

'The Teachings of the Books of the Bible'
Four books are projected:

'The Bible, a Book of Life,' by the Rev. Russell Snyder (manuscript completed)

'A Brief Survey of the New Testament' by Professor Richard Syre (manuscript completed)

'A Brief Survey of the Old Testament' by a member of the ALC (manuscript completed)

'The Prophets and their Messages' is projected as an adult elective. (*Parish and Church School Board*) "(b) No specific action to date (*Board of Education*)

"(3) To be encouraged through the *Pastor's Desk Book*

"(4) The Rev. Luther D. Reed, chairman of the Common Service Book Committee, indicated a sharp interest but explained that, because of his heavy duties as a member of the Commissions on the Common Liturgy and Hymnal, he is unable at present to make any commitments concerning the time schedule for these tracts and pamphlets. Some steps toward the fulfillment of this recommendation will be taken in October with a complete report to be available before the next convention. (*Common Service Book Committee*)

"(5) Same as (4) above (*Common Service Book Committee*)

### "III. *The Consecration of the Evangelical Ministry*

"(1) Action on this recommendation will not be feasible until the work on the new liturgy and hymnal is completed. (Executive Secretary Walker informs me that a manuscript of a book which would answer this need is in his hands and could be used if desired by the Common Service Book Committee.) (*Common Service Book Committee*)

"(2) No action to report (*Executive Board*)

"(3) No action to report (*Seminaries through the Board of Education*)

"(4) Letters from 18 synodical presidents have been received each indicating the president's willingness to carry out the desires expressed in this recommendation.

### "IV. *The Manifestation of the Universal Priesthood of Believers in Worship*

"(1) This recommendation will be carried out by the commission on the new liturgy, if present plans materialize. (*Common Service Book Committee*)

"(2) No action to report; however, a committee composed of Pastors Seaman, Clare and Steimle would be available to work on this book. (*Common Service Book Committee*)

"(3) No action to report (*Executive Board*)

### "V. *The Manifestation of the Universal Priesthood of Believers in Evangelism*

"(1) No action to be reported; however, the staff of the Board of Social Missions will discuss this after the return of Executive Secretary Koch. (*Board of Social Missions*)

"(2) Same as (1) above. (*Parish and Church School Board or Board of Social Missions or both*)

"(3) Same as (1) above. (*Board of Social Missions*)

"(4) 'The addition of a phrase or clause to the Order for Confirmation and the Order for the Baptism of Adults which will make explicit the Christian's responsibility for witnessing his faith and evangelizing others' is being referred to the Common Service Book Committee. (*Common Service Book Committee*)

"(5) No action to be reported (*Desk Book*)

### "VI. *The Manifestation of the Universal Priesthood of Believers in Stewardship*

"(1) No action to be reported (*Desk Book*)

"(2) Miss Winston has been engaged in this service among the women of our institutions. Recently the Rev. David Bremer has been called to a similar service, particularly among men. Fellowships and scholarships are available to men and women who plan to give full-time service to the Church.

"Lutheran Boy Scouts who receive the Pro Deo et Patria Award are contacted by letter by one of the secretaries of the Board of Education.

"Extensive work is done by the representatives of the Board among the Sunday schools, the Luther Leagues and the summer schools and camps of our Church. (*Board of Education*)

"(3) Stewardship Secretary Henry Endress reports that the stewardship bulletin is mailed regularly to about 68,000 persons. A full kit of EMV materials will be mailed to each pastor in September. 'Whatever You Do' by Clarence C. Stoughton (an elective course) was recently published. The motion picture 'Like a Mighty Army' is being scheduled for showings in the congregations of our Church. Articles by Secretary Endress will appear in the Women's Missionary Society magazine, the Brotherhood magazine, the Luther League magazine, and the Parish and Church School Board magazine, encouraging personal stewardship. (*Lutheran Laymen's Movement*)

"(4) No action to be reported (*Executive Board*)"

The report was received as information.

## APPENDIX

(See Item I, (1) of first progress report above)

### PREPARATION AND PUBLICATION OF INTRODUCTORY STUDY BOOK ON THE CONFESSIONS

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the president presented the following recommendations:

"The first recommendation, I (1), of the Committee on Faith and Life indicated the need for an introductory study book on the Confessions of the Lutheran Church and suggested that the Executive Board, the Parish and Church School Board and the Board of Publication co-operate in its preparation and publication. In the 'First Progress Report, Faith and Life' (Executive Board Minutes, August 1949, p. 280), the following statements concerning the study book on the Confessions are made:

"'(1) ................................................................................................................

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Executive Secretary S. White Rhyne of the Parish and Church School Board suggests that a representative from the Executive Board, one from the Parish and Church School Board and one from the Board of Publication jointly select a person to write the "description" of the introductory book on the Confessions of the Lutheran Church. The "description" would be approved by the three chosen representatives who would then make the assignment of an author. Frequently the author is the same person as the one writing the "description." The author would be asked to submit a chapter or two for checking and editing before the entire work would be completed. (*Executive Board, Parish and Church School Board, Board of Publication*)'

"RECOMMENDED:

"1. That the Executive Board approve the plan outlined above, involving the appointment of a joint committee for this purpose.

"2. That the Executive Board authorize the president to appoint one representative on this committee in behalf of this Board, and that the Parish and Church School Board and the Board of Publication be invited to appoint one representative apiece on this committee.

"3. That the Executive Board indicate to this committee the desirability of its undertaking a survey of other publications which may meet at least in part the need for a popular study of the Lutheran Confessions; further that this Board unite with the other co-operating boards in empowering this joint committee to write a 'description' of the proposed introductory book on the Confessions of the Lutheran Church, to approve such a 'description' when submitted, to assign the actual writing of the book to an author, and to counsel with the author during the course of his writing.

"4. That the Executive Board request the Parish and Church School Board to receive the reports of this committee; to provide the necessary financing of this project; to aid the joint committee during the preparation of the proposed popular study of the Confessions; to submit the text of any eventuating book to the Board of Publication; and to include this new study book when and if published, as a featured addition to the elective series which the Parish and Church School Board offers to our Sunday schools and churches."

The recommendations were adopted by the Executive Board.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the president presented the following report:

"In October 1949, the Executive Board authorized the president to appoint one representative on a joint committee to write the 'description' of an introductory book on the Confessions of the Lutheran Church. The Rev. George F. Harkins has been designated as this appointee."

This item was received as information.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the assistant to the president presented the

"SECOND PROGRESS REPORT, FAITH AND LIFE, 1948

"I. *The Confessional Character of the Lutheran Church*

"(1) *Introductory book on the Confessions for general adult study*

(Executive Board, Parish and Church School Board, Board of Publication)

"The Parish and Church School Board and the Board of Publication have recently reported their acceptance of the Executive Board's invitation (p. 395) to appoint one person each to serve with a representative of the Executive Board on a committee of three to be responsible for fulfilling the intention of this recommendation. The Parish and Church School Board has appointed the Rev. L. Ralph Tabor as its representative and the Board of Publication has appointed the Rev. Theodore G. Tappert to be its representative. As noted in an earlier section of this report (reference is to the first progress report) the president has appointed the Rev. George F. Harkins to represent the Executive Board. Periodic reports of progress will be submitted by the committee to the three boards concerned."

The reading of the report was interrupted at this point for the Executive Board to consider and vote on the following recommendation of the secretary:

> " 'RECOMMENDED that the committee charged with the responsibility of securing the writer for this popular study of the Lutheran confessions be requested by the Executive Board to consult with the executive secretary of the Parish and Church School Board, and the executive secretary of the Board of Publication, for the purpose of laying plans for securing the broadest possible distribution of the proposed book beyond its use in the leadership training series published under the sponsorship of the Parish and Church School Board.' "

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"(2) *A scholarly study of the Lutheran approach to Christian Social Responsibility* (Board of Social Missions)

"Two meetings of the committee appointed by the Board of Social Missions for the purpose of effectuating this study have been held. The committee, composed of Secretary Letts, Professors E. E. Flack, Martin J. Heinecken, Charles W. Kegley, Bertha Paulssen, Carl C. Rasmussen, Russell D. Snyder, and the Rev. John Schmidt, is pursuing its study with commendable thoroughness.

"(3) *Preparation and publication of new catechetical materials* (Parish and Church School Board)

"Executive Secretary Rhyne reports that:

> "(*a*) 'Our one-year course by the Rev. Donald Irvin is completed through lesson 17. It is now being field tested by several pastors. This course, in our estimation, will use modern instruction methods and will have audio-visual aids integrated into the lessons. It will seek pupil-participation.
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> "(*b*) 'A manual for the preparation of adults for church membership by the Rev. William Horn is progressing rapidly. We anticipate receipt of the completed manuscript in the very near future.
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> " 'No further progress has been made in co-operation with other American Lutheran Church Bodies in this field. There is a meeting of the Lutheran Intersynodical Committee on Parish Education on February 9 and 10. There will be some discussion of this subject immediately following that conference. I do not know how much progress will be reported.'

"II. *The Primacy of the Word and Sacraments in the Preaching and Teaching of the Church*

"(1) *More widespread and more frequent expository preaching* (All pastors via *Desk Book*)

"A separate page or a series of pages will be included in the February *Desk Book* mailing in which this action will be called to the attention of the pastors.

"(2) *More Bible-centered material*

"(*a*) *Additional Bible-centered elective courses* (Assigned to Parish and Church School Board)

"Executive Secretary Rhyne reports that the following leadership education texts on biblical themes are in preparation:

> " 'Brief Survey of the Old Testament,' is now being revised by the author.
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> " 'Brief Survey of the New Testament.' The manuscript is on hand and awaits editing.
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> " 'Introduction to the Bible.' Assignment to an author has been made but no publication date has been set.
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> " 'Jesus and His Teachings.' Assignment to an author has been made; publication date: late 1950.
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> " 'Paul, the Man and His Work.' Assignment to an author has been made but no date for publication has been set.
>
> " 'The Prophets and Their Messages' is projected but no assignment to an author has been made.

"The manuscript for the following elective course for young people and adults is on hand and will be published after the usual editing is completed:

> " 'The Bible, a Book of Life.'

"(b) *College extension courses on current problems* (Board of Education)

"As a result of a survey conducted by Executive Secretary Gould Wickey of present extension courses offered by our 14 U.L.C.A. colleges and the possibility of increasing the number of extension courses, the Board of Education at its December (1949) meeting (Minutes, p. 12) voted to request the Church to grant 'the sum of $10,000 annually for experimental work and more extended extension programs on the part of colleges for courses in the Bible, Race Relations, Labor-Management Relations, Peace and the United Nations, Christian Citizenship, Psychology of Religious Education, Christian Ethcs, etc., for a period of two years, at the end of which the program and results shall be reviewed.'

"(3) *More Bible Study in all churches and schools* (All pastors via *Desk Book*)

"A separate page or a series of pages will be included in the February *Desk Book* mailing on which this action will be called to the attention of the pastors.

"(4) *New Series of tracts and/or pamphlets on the Sacraments* (Common Service Book Committee)

"No progress is reportable as yet.

"(5) *Forms or aids for self-examination* (Common Service Book Committee)

"No progress is reportable as yet.

"III. *The Consecration of the Evangelical Ministry*

"(1) *Pastor's office book* (Common Service Book Committee)

"No progress is reportable as yet.

"(2) *Continuation of the Knubel-Miller Lectures* (Executive Board)

"The Executive Board has indicated at various times its appreciation of the Knubel-Miller lectures and its interest in continuing them by voice and print as an aid in undergirding the evangelical ministry. The 1950 series of Knubel-Miller lectures will be given in six locations by the chairman of the 1948 Faith and Life Committee, the Rev. Oscar W. Carlson.

"(3) *Seminary extension courses on effective preaching* (Board of Education)

"A survey was conducted by Executive Secretary Gould Wickey to determine the extent to which our 9 seminaries are assisting the pastors of our Church by extension courses. As a result of the findings obtained the Board of Education at its December meeting (Minutes, p. 12) voted to request the Church to grant 'the sum of $10,000 annually for experimental and more extended programs at certain centers for courses in Bible, homiletics, contemporary theological developments, etc., to be offered by or through seminaries . . .'

"(4) *Presidents of synods as pastors of pastors*

"In the 'First Progress Report, Faith and Life,' it was reported that 18 synodical presidents had indicated their intention to minister more earnestly and more vigorously to the spiritual needs of the pastors of their synods. Four additional synodical presidents have replied since that time in a similar confidence-inspiring vein.

"IV. *The Manifestation of the Universal Priesthood of Believers in Worship*

"(1) *Popular introduction to the Common Service Book* (Common Service Book Committee)

"No progress is reportable as yet.

"(2) *Prayer manual for the laity* (Common Service Book Committee)

"No progress is reportable as yet.

"(3) *Radio and television workshops for pastors, choir directors and organists* (Executive Board)

"The Rev. Carl Lund-Quist, Executive Director of the Division of Public Relations for the National Lutheran Council, reports that a proposal to conduct annually one radio-television workshop for pastors and lay leaders of the congregations of National Lutheran Council churches will be submitted to the Division of Public Relations Committee at its March (1950) meeting. If the proposal is adopted, plans will be formulated for the first radio-television workshop to be conducted in 1951.

"V. *The Manifestation of the Universal Priesthood of Believers in Evangelism*

"(1) *Expansion of Evangelism field workers* (Assigned to Board of Social Missions)

"No progress is reportable as yet.

"(2) *Assistance in child and youth and adult evangelism* (Assigned to Board of Social Missions)

"No progress is reportable as yet.

"(3) *Production of audio-visual aids for evangelism* (Board of Social Missions)

"No progress is reportable as yet.

"(4) *Addition of explicit phrase or clause re witnessing and evangelism in Order for confirmation and Order for Baptism of Adults* (Common Service Book Committee)

"No progress is reportable as yet.

"*Survey of congregation's resources and special opportunities for special service (Desk Book)*

"A separate page or a series of pages will be included in the February *Desk Book* mailing on which this action will be called to the attention of the pastors.

"VI. *The Manifestation of the Universal Priesthood of Believers in Stewardship*

"(1) *Distribution of stories of various types of lay service in congregations (Desk Book)*

"A separate page or a series of pages containing stories of unusual lay service in congregations will be included in an early *Desk Book* mailing.

"(2) *Enlistment of more members for full-time service for Christ* (Board of *Education*)

"Since the 'First Progress Report' was given in August 1949 the Rev. David H. Bremer has joined the staff of the Board of Education with the specific responsibility of counseling with young people who are interested in church vocations and enlisting more members for full-time service for Christ. Other Board of Education staff members also render service to interested students as they have opportunity.

"(3) *Fullest use of stewardship materials and plans (Lutheran Laymen's Movement)*

Stewardship Secretary Endress reports that more stewardship materials were requested by pastors during 1949 than during any previous year of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement existence. The increase in the number of pieces distributed reflects a fuller appreciation by both pastors and laymen of the wholesome effectiveness of the of the stewardship materials and plans which are distributed by the Lutheran Laymen's Movement.

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"(4) *Widest possible circulation of 'The Lutheran'* (*Executive Board*)

"Through the efforts made by members of the circulation staff of *The Lutheran* and the co-operation of many synodical committees and local congregations, the number of subscriptions to the official news magazine of the Church reached a new high of 72,300 on December 27, 1949."

The report was received as information

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the assistant to the president presented the

### "THIRD PROGRESS REPORT, FAITH AND LIFE, 1948

### "I. *The Confessional Character of the Lutheran Church*

"(1) *Introductory book on the Confessions for general adult study* (Executive Board, Parish and Church School Board, Board of Publication)

"A Committee of three, composed of the Rev. Theodore G. Tappert, representing the Board of Publication, the Rev. L. Ralph Tabor, representing the Parish and Church School Board, and the Rev. George F. Harkins, representing the Executive Board, held one meeting and discussed the availability of books which would meet the intention of this recommendation of the Faith and Life Committee. Inasmuch as no books of this character are available, further discussion centered on the size, format and specific content of the proposed study book. It was agreed that the writing of a 'description' of the book would be assigned to an author and that further steps would be dependent upon the 'description' written.

"The committee is mindful of the desire of the Executive Board as expressed in its action of January 1950, that the committee lay plans for securing the broadest possible distribution throughout the Church of the proposed book.

At the September 1950 meeting the president presented the following report:

"Since the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the committee charged with the responsibility of selecting an author for the introductory book on the Confessions of the Lutheran Church has appointed the Rev. John Schmidt, pastor of First English Lutheran Church, Toledo, Ohio, to write the 'description' of this adult study book."

"(2) *A scholarly study of the Lutheran approach to Christian Social Responsibility* (Board of Social Missions)

"A committee of seven theologians and four representatives of the Board of Social Missions has been at work for a period of nine months endeavoring to fulfill the request for 'a scholarly study, which may eventuate in a definitive book, of the Lutheran approach to Christian social responsibility.' Two one-day meetings of the full committee have been held. Six members met for three days, June 19-21, 1950, at which time manuscripts were reviewed and revised, and outlines prepared for further work. In addition, subcommittees have met on four different occasions.

"Actual writing has begun on two of the four sections of this study, and more rapid progress is expected over the summer months. However, the committee has not attempted to set a deadline for the completion of its work.

"(3) *Preparation and publication of new catechetical materials* (Parish and Church School Board)

"Members of the Lutheran Intersynodical Committee on Parish Education consulted informally about the possibility of producing co-operatively an American version of Luther's catechism. This same group is also considering the joint production of a manual for adult study in preparation for church membership. Final decision on these possibilities will not be arrived at until 1951.

"The U.L.C.A. Parish and Church School Board has made progress in its effort tc carry out the intention of this recommendation as indicated below:

> "(*a*) A one year course for catechetical instruction, which makes provision for the use of audio-visual aids, has been field tested, and the original manuscript is now being revised in the light of the results of this testing. It is expected to be available to the pastors for use by October 1952.
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> "(*b*) The manuscript for a manual for the preparation of adults for church membership has been received. It is expected that the manual will be made available for use by the pastors before January 1952.

### "II. *The Primacy of the Word and Sacraments in the Preaching and Teaching of the Church*

"(1) *More widespread and more frequent expository preaching* (All pastors via *Desk Book*)

"The desirability of and need for 'more widespread and more frequent expository preaching' was called to the attention of the pastors of the U.L.C.A. through the February 1950, issue of the *Desk Book* materials.

"(2) *More Bible-centered educational material*

"(*a*) *Additional Bible-centered elective courses* (Assigned to Parish and Church School Board)

"The Parish and Church School Board is making provision for the following additional electives on the general subject of the Word of God:

> "'A Brief Survey of the New Testament' by the Rev. John Hiltner. Manuscript completed.
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> "'A Book of Life' by the Rev. Russell D. Snyder has been edited and approved.
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> "'The Story of the Old Testament' by the Rev. William H. Cooper now awaits final editing.
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> "'Jesus and His Teachings.' Manuscript in preparation.
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> "'Introduction to the Bible.' Manuscript in preparation.
>
> "'How to use the Bible.' Manuscript in preparation.
>
> "'Paul, the Man and His Work.'
>
> "'The Prophets and their Messages.'

"(*b*) *College extension courses on current problems* (Board of Education)

"Executive Secretary Gould Wickey of the Board of Education reports that a survey of our fourteen U.L.C.A. colleges reveals that several of our institutions are now offering evening or extension courses for young people and adults not able to enroll as regular students and that the need for an increased number of such courses has been presented to the administrative officers of our colleges. In almost every instance the 'teaching load' of faculty members is considered too heavy to permit the further duties which would be required by the addition of extension courses to the present regular schedule. Although the Board of Education is not able to give financial assistance for the proposed increase of extension courses, encouragement and guidance will be given wherever possible.

"(3) *More Bible study in all churches and schools* (All pastors via *Desk Book*)

"The need for more courses of Bible study in all churches and schools was called to the attention of the pastors of the U.L.C.A. through the February 1950 issue of the *Desk Book* materials.

"(4) *New series of tracts and/or pamphlets on the Sacraments* (Common Service Book Committee)

"A subcommittee of the Common Service Book Committee has been appointed and has been given the responsibility of preparing a new series of tracts and/or pamphlets on the Sacraments. The date of publication is at present uncertain.

"(5) *Forms or aids for self-examination* (Common Service Book Committee)

"The Common Service Book Committee has studied this recommendation and has expressed the judgment that such 'forms or aids for self-examination' are of dubious propriety in the Order for Public Confession itself. It is unlikely that the desired forms or aids will be included in the forthcoming revised Order for Public Confession.

"III. *The Consecration of the Evangelical Ministry*

"(1) *Pastor's office book* (Common Service Book Committee)

"The Common Service Book Committee fully recognizes the desirability of a pastor's office book, but its members feel that such a project would more properly fall under the responsibility of a permanent commission on the liturgy and hymnal. The Common Service Book Committee is, therefore, attempting no progress at this time.

"(2) *Continuation of the Knubel-Miller Lectures* (Executive Board)

"Because of the growing interest in and enthusiasm for the Knubel-Miller lectures, the Executive Board has indicated at various times its desire and intention to continue them by voice and print as an aid in undergirding the evangelical ministry.

"(3) *Seminary extension courses on effective preaching* (Board of Education)

"A survey of the curricula of our nine U.L.C.A. seminaries by Executive Secretary Wickey of the Board of Education reveals that several seminaries are making an effort to meet the need for extension courses on effective preaching by conducting 'seminary week' programs in which at least one of the lecturers discusses the methods by which sermons can be made more effective. Some are conducting graduate classes in Bible, Homiletics, and contemporary theological developments at the seminaries or in near-by cities. Although no financial assistance can be given to the seminaries by the Board of Education, it stands ready to assist in guiding seminaries toward the establishment of a more far-reaching extension course program.

"(4) *Presidents of synods as pastors of pastors*

"The majority of synodical presidents in the U.L.C.A. have indicated their willingness and determination to serve in a pastoral capacity the clerical members of their respective synods as the needs are anticipated or arise.

"IV. *The Manifestation of the Universal Priesthood of Believers in Worship*

"(1) *Popular introduction to the Common Service Book* (Common Service Book Committee)

"The Common Service Book Committee has expressed its conviction that a popular introduction to the liturgy and a commentary on the hymnal of the Church are very desirable and that any such work on these subjects should await the appointment of a permanent commission on the liturgy and hymnal.

"(2) *Prayer manual for the laity* (Common Service Book Committee)

"The United Lutheran Publication House now offers to the members of U.L.C.A. congregations two series of daily devotional booklets, *Light for Today* and the *Word in Season*. A large number of creditable daily devotion books are also available. Inasmuch as these aids are used extensively by the members of our Church and because a 'prayer manual for the laity' would be less popular and less adaptable to the needs of our members, the Common Service Book Committee has expressed the belief that a prayer manual for the laity should not be published."

The reading of the report was interrupted at this point for the Executive Board to consider and vote on the following recommendation:

> "It was moved and seconded that the Executive Board express its judgment to the Common Service Book Committee that a prayer manual for laity is highly desirable as proposed by the Faith and Life Committee of 1947-1948, and further that the Executive Board express the hope that the Common Service Book Committee will continue to consider the preparation of such a manual."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"(3) *Radio and television workshops for pastors, choir directors and organists* (Executive Board)

"It had been hoped that an inter-Lutheran 'workshop for pastors, choir directors, organists and others who wish to improve their technique in this field of Christian service' could be held during the past biennium, or that specific plans for future workshops could be formulated. However, a growing interest in the several regional interdenominational radio-television workshops conducted each year leads us to believe that a radio-television workshop for Lutherans could be conducted in connection with and in addition to these regional interdenominational workshops. A survey of this possibility is now in progress.

"V. *The Manifestation of the Universal Priesthood of Believers in Evangelism*

"(1) *Expansion of evangelism field workers* (Assigned to Board of Social Missions)

"In September 1949, a second associate director was added to the staff of the Department of Evangelism of the Board of Social Missions to assist in the program of the Lutheran Commission on Evangelism. The three members of this staff, as well as more than 100 pastors who served as area 'leaders' for limited periods of time, participated in the program of lay visitation evangelism in many areas of the country.

"(2) *Assistance in child and youth and adult evangelism* (Assigned to Board of Social Missions)

"The extension of the program offered congregations for child and youth evangelism has not been implemented by the Board of Social Missions primarily because all the energies of the Department of Evangelism have been concentrated on carrying out the program of the Lutheran Commission on Evangelism. When the Commission's work comes to an end at the close of 1950 steps will be taken by the Department of Evangelism to fulfill this need in U.L.C.A. congregations. In addition to this information, it should be noted that the results of the Parish and Church School Board's program for enlisting pupils for the Church schools of the U.L.C.A. congregations are gratifying.

"(3) *Production of audio-visual aids for evangelism* (Board of Social Missions)

"The members of the staff of the Department of Evangelism have been unable to develop the desired audio-visual aids for evanglism because of their giving full time during the past biennium to the program of the Lutheran Commission on Evangelism.

"The Rev. Royal E. Lesher, Director of Evangelism, is making plans to attend the interdenominational workshop on visual-aids at Green Bay, Wisconsin, August 28 to September 2, as an initial step in preparation for the production of audio-visual aids by the Department of Evangelism.

"(4) *Addition of explicit phrase or clause re witnessing and evangelism in Order for Confirmation and Order for Baptism of Adults* (Common Service Book Committee)

"The Common Service Book Committee has discussed this recommendation but proposed no form to the joint commission on the liturgy.

"*Survey of congregations' resources and unique opportunities for special service (Desk Book)*

"This recommendation and the offer of the Secretary for Inner Missions of the Board of Social Missions to assist pastors and church councils in making surveys of resources and unique opportunities for special service were called to the attention of the pastors of the U.L.C.A. through the February 1950, issue of the *Desk Book* materials.

"VI. *The Manifestation of the Universal Priesthood of Believers in Stewardship*

"(1) *Distribution of stories of various types of lay service in congregations (Desk Book)*

"For June 1950 issue of the *Pastor's Desk Book* materials carried a series of seven stories of unusual lay service in congregations. Groups of similar stories will be included from time to time in future *Desk Book* mailings.

"(2) *Enlistment of more members for full-time service for Christ* (Board of Education)

"Since the 1948 convention the Rev. David H. Bremer has joined the staff of the Board of Education and has been given the specific assignment of enlisting young people for full-time service in the Church. Since assuming his duties with the Board, Pastor Bremer has planned and conducted Christian Career Conferences in twelve of our U.L.C.A. colleges and has met with students in group meetings and in personal conference at the thirteenth college. The purpose of the Christian Career Conferences is threefold: (1) to present to the students the necessity for making a wise vocational choice; (2) to discuss Church vocations; (3) to enlist students for the vocations of the Church.

"In co-operation with the Parish and Church School Board twenty-five Christian Service Institutes were conducted in 1949, with more than 2,500 students attending. Using 'Life Service' as a theme, each Christian Service Institute includes in its program group conferences on the ministry, the diaconate, social work and missions. Encouragement is given to the young people attending the institutes to make a decision concerning a church vocation. Nineteen similar Christian Service Institutes are planned for the summer of 1950.

"(3) *Fullest use of stewardship materials and plans* (Lutheran Laymen's Movement)

"In the year 1948, 2,212 requests were made of the Stewardship Department for 4,042,276 pieces of stewardship materials. Because of the encouragement given to pastors and church councils by national, regional, and synodical workshops on stewardship, by Lutheran Laymen's Retreats, by addresses at camps, summer schools, seminaries and colleges, the number of requests in 1949 rose to 2,688, and the number of pieces requested mounted to 5,891,017. These figures are incontrovertible evidence that the persistent efforts of the Stewardship Department of the United Lutheran Church, and the 32 synodical stewardship secretaries, have been successful in guiding a majority of our congregations in the use of stewardship materials and plans.

"(4) *Widest possible circulation of 'The Lutheran'* (Executive Board)

"During the past biennium a concerted effort has been made by the officers of the Church, the Stewardship Department, synodical committees and the circulation staff of *The Lutheran* to increase the number of subscribers to our official church paper. At the time of the 1948 convention subscriptions to *The Lutheran* totaled approximately 43,000. As a result of the combined efforts of the officers of the Church, the Stewardship Department, synodical committees and the circulation staff of *The Lutheran*, subscriptions now total approximately 86,000."

The report was received as information.

(b) *Faith and Life: Personnel of 1949-1950 Committee*

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the president reported as follows on the personnel of the 1949-1950 Committee on Faith and Life:

"To enable the Executive Board to fulfill the 1948 convention's instruction to it to 'appoint a new Committee on Faith and Life for the next biennium' the president submits the following nominations for this special committee in the biennium 1949-1950:

"Rev. Henry E. Horn, Augusta, Ga., Convener
Rev. Robert L. Boulton, Milwaukee, Wis.
Rev. F. William Brandt, Charleston, S. C.
Dr. Victor B. Hausknecht, Harrisburg, Pa. (deceased)
Mrs. Cecil C. Hine, New York, N. Y. (resigned)
Mrs. Donald F. Irvin, Haddonfield, N. J.
Mr. Erwin H. List, Chicago, Ill.
Rev. Henry B. Luffberry, Philadelphia, Pa.
Rev. Paul H. G. Moessner, Hooper, Nebr.
Rev. Fred C. Mueller, Hamilton, Ontario
Rev. Jeff L. Norris, Burlington, N. C.
Rev. Edward K. Rogers, Warren, Pa.
Rev. Luther F. Schlenker, Perkasie, Pa.
Rev. Leeland C. Soker, Albuquerque, N. M.
Rev. Luther S. Straley, Athens, N. Y.
Rev. Cyrus M. Wallick, Dayton, Ohio"

The Executive Board voted its approval of the above appointments.

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the president reported as follows:

"Mrs. Cecil C. Hine notified the president on September 18, 1949 of her inability to accept her election to the Committee on Faith and Life for 1949-1950.

"Inasmuch as the other fifteen members of this committee have agreed to serve, there appears to be no need for the selection of a replacement for Mrs. Hine."

This report was received as information.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the president reported as follows:

"The lamented death of Dr. Victor B. Hausknecht, an able lay member of the Committee on Faith and Life, on November 1, 1949 has reduced the membership of that committee to fourteen. The studies preparatory to the Faith and Life report have already reached such an advanced stage that no replacement appointment seems to be feasible."

This report was received as information.

(c) *Faith and Life: 1950 report.* (For action, see p. 603)

(1) Preliminary draft of report

The April 1950 minutes of the Executive Board contain the following comment in the report of the officers:

### REPORT OF THE 1949-1950 FAITH AND LIFE COMMITTEE

"The officers submitted a draft of the report of the 1949-1950 Committee on Faith and Life. The officers think it best for the Executive Board's recommendations concerning this report to grow out of the Board's own study of the report at this meeting. The report was presented to the Board by the Rev. George F. Harkins."

The April 1950 minutes continue:

"The motion prevailed that the president appoint a Special Committee to draft the Executive Board's recommendation concerning the Faith and Life Report.

"President Fry named the Rev. F. R. Knubel and Secretary Reinartz to serve on this committee.

"As the first order of business in the (April 12, 1950) evening session, the Board heard the report of the Special Committee appointed to draft its recommendation concerning the Faith and Life Report. The recommendation follows:

"The Special Committee RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board, having made a detailed and appreciative study of the present draft of the report of the Committee on Faith and Life, refer it back to the committee, requesting the assistant to the president to acquaint it with the views expressed in the general discussion of the Board concerning the report's emphasis and recommendations."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

(2) Faith and Life: text of 1950 report

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report of the 1949-1950 Faith and Life Committee to the Executive Board:

### "FAITH AND LIFE

### "I. *Introduction*

"The highlight of the 1948 convention of the United Lutheran Church in America was the Report of the Committee on Faith and Life, which had been received by the Executive Board, and was recommended by that body as part of its own report. This report with its practical recommendations caught the enthusiasm of the Church. The Report of the President to this Convention struck the same basic note. In its enthusiasm over this realistic approach to the fundamental problems of the Church, the convention adopted a resolution instructing the Executive Board to appoint another such Committee on Faith and Life for the biennium 1948-50.

"The Executive Board, at its meeting of August 11, 1949, appointed this committee. In his letter of appointment, the President of the Church stated that 'the Committee on Faith and Life possesses an unlimited charter to probe deeply into our common Christian life. It is expected to weigh the spiritual treasures of our Church, to encourage United Lutheranism in its growing strength, and to prescribe for any weaknesses which you may discover through your analyses.'

"The extent of our analyses was immediately qualified by the fact that the report of the former committee had been thorough and extensive, covering the whole life of the Church. Its analyses were sound. Moreover, the 1948 Report of the President had been equally thorough and inclusive. It had defined the five challenging needs of the Church as:

Possession by the Word of God
Definiteness of Faith
Fervor in Worship
A Sense of Vocation
Evangelism

"The prescriptions offered by the former committee were largely in the form of literature. Preparation of this literature had just begun. It was too early to judge the effect of such remedies on the patient.

"But we quickly discovered that we were in hearty agreement with the spirit of the former committee's report, especially in its self-imposed limitation to '. . . that area of the Church's function which affects directly the individual member's faith and life.' We shared their opinion that the burden of such a report as this is '. . . not what the Church *can make out* of the faith and life of its members but what the Church *can do for* the faith and life of its members.'

"Your Committee met four days in plenary sessions, and six times in subcommittees. Between sessions, letters and thorough papers on various phases of the problem were exchanged between members.

"In all, about 70 distinct emphases and suggestions were advanced; but, as we progressed in our deliberations, there was an evident inclination toward a single emphasis, supported by a limited number of recommendations. We concluded that the most critical needs to which we should address ourselves lie within the local congregation. We were a committee composed almost entirely of pastors. As such we were convinced that we should face objectively that area of the Church's faith and life in which we ourselves labor—the parish ministry.

### "II. *The Approach*

"As we weigh the spiritual treasures of the Church, we rejoice in the glorious Gospel which we hold in sound, confessional faith. We believe that everywhere, and at all times, we must strike the positive note in testifying to the love of God in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour. By heritage and tradition we are a confessional and liturgical church, evangelical in spirit and impulse, and ecumenical in vision and endeavor. It is in these qualities that United Lutheranism must continue to grow if it is to increase in strength and in favor with God and man.

"We see in the life of the Church a broadening consciousness of its spiritual treasures. Nor has this failed to express itself in practical zeal. In most areas our congregations are manifesting an increased joy in stewardship and larger dedication to the universal mission of the Church.

"If there are some congregations, localities, or even synods, in which this progress seems discouragingly slow, then those of us who labor in these fields must, in patience and faith, keep our hands to the plow. For the Church, as a whole, has shown its readiness to accept the challenges which have confronted it, and to assume its responsibilities at home and abroad.

"An inherent danger lies, however, in the temptation to view the Church as an organizational entity, rather than as a communion of believers. The Body of Christ is not an organization, but an organism. The outward appearance of growth and vitality can belie the presence of an inner cancer which may be retarding and diminishing this apparent growth and vitality.

"As we probe into the faith and life of the Church, we become aware of a spiritual complacency which holds many of our members in its paralyzing grip. This complacency reveals itself in greater or lesser degree in almost every congregation. The Committee noted five common symptoms:

"(1) *Widespread neglect of the Means of Grace* on the part of individual Christians. So accustomed have we become to the differentials between confirmed and communing membership, and between Communing membership and average attendance that we have gradually modified our expectations to fit the lethargic tempo of the spiritual life of the 'average member.' In many congregations a Sunday attendance of 50 per cent of the membership is considered 'excellent,' and extreme downward variations from this modest norm are constantly excused as 'attributable to the weather' or 'in line with the seasonal fluctuation.'

"(2) *General lack of appreciation of the liturgy.* Sometimes we are tempted to assume that the acceptance of our liturgical worship by our members is tantamount to an understanding of The Service. Your Committee is of the opinion that many of our members, lacking sufficient understanding of the liturgy, are content to be spectators rather than participants in the worship of the congregation. Thus, what was intended to be the channel for the expression of the total life of the congregation becomes an obstacle which blocks the pathway of Grace.

"(3) *Limited interest in the educational program of the congregation.* As religious education has become a 'department' of the congregation's life, members have lost their sense of personal responsibility for this phase of the Church's mission. Parents and baptismal sponsors generally delegate their vowed obligations to the Church—then are reluctant even to co-operate with the Church in its educational program. Those members best qualified to serve as educational leaders are often unwilling to devote their talents to this type of service. Despite the excellent leadership-training materials provided by the U.L.C.A., most of our teachers and workers have been loath to avail themselves of proffered opportunities for study and self-improvement.

"(4) *General indifference of the individual Christian to his opportunities as a witness for Jesus Christ.* The spontaneous evangelistic spirit of the Early Church is lacking today. Christians are reticent about their faith. We live side by side, we walk arm in arm, with millions to whom our Lord is but an historic figure or an ancient myth. Yet, unashamed, many view evangelism as a function of the pastor, or of a special committee.

"(5) *The feeble influence of the Church on the moral and spiritual welfare of the Community.* We have long believed that the Church should be a leavening influence in the life of the community, fostering the moral and spiritual growth of our society. More often today, it is found to be struggling none too successfully with the influence of secularism within its own walls. And, though our members are disturbed by the social problems of the community, the great majority look upon these as legislative and sociological problems beyond the scope of Christian initiative.

"These five symptoms of complacency, together with countless others less common, yet none the less convicting, have been apparent for years. But, probably because they suggest a disease more chronic than acute, they have not frightened us. The Church, like the individual, can become so accustomed to its infirmities that it will, at length, forget that they are infirmities. When mediocrity becomes the norm, men cease to deplore mediocrity!

"Surely, as we seek a fuller understanding and expression of our common Christian faith and life, these evidences of spiritual complacency must strike our conscience as a Church, and bring us to humble repentance. Our sin has been the sin of resignation to the mediocrity of our witness.

### "III. *The Emphasis*

"Spiritual complacency does not yield to ecclesiastical stimulants or antiseptics. It yields only to the power of the Holy Spirit convicting and converting the human conscience.

"But, we believe that the Church can help the individual Christian put himself into the way of the grace of God, and that the Church can win and cultivate devout, consistent Christians. (Compare: Report of the President, 1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 23.) Furthermore, we are convinced that the effectiveness of both efforts depends on a vigorous emphasis of the primary importance of the faith and life of the individual within the congregation.

"We would not imply that the Church has failed to stress spiritual zeal. The United Lutheran Church in America has constantly sought to strengthen its members in their devotion to the Christian Truth and the Christian Way of Life. Every board and agency of the Church makes its own distinctive contribution to this effort. The struggle against spiritual complacency is no new front to us.

"Yet, despite this perennial effort, it cannot be taken for granted that the program of the Church-at-large has the desired effect upon the faith and life of the individual in the congregation. Conscientious members attend committee meetings, rallies, and conferences, and are deluged with excellent literature. They are stretched taut until there is little reserve to be dedicated to the inner problems at home.

"The Report of the first Committee on Faith and Life brought true problems into the clear, and breathed the hope that their report would be used as a program 'in order that all areas of the Church, and the total membership of its congregations may hear of it, take part in it, and be blessed by it.' Yet the only means of implementing this hope has been by the preparation of more literature for the faithful.

"Your present Committee would have the Church take up this hope, and make it effective in the life of the Church during the next decade. The last ten years have proven the tremendous effectiveness of the U.L.C.A. in promoting a wholehearted response of its members to a number of great challenges. Now, without neglecting other needs and obligations, we would direct the Church's manifest power and promotional strength to a mighty effort to develop the inner life of its members.

"Under such a church-wide stimulus the challenge of doubled apportionment will be seen in its proper proportions as merely a phase of the larger challenge to deeper devotion, complete dedication. And all the zeal and contagious enthusiasm that have marked Lutheran World Action and Christian Higher Education Year will find even fuller expression in a frontal attack on spiritual complacency in the local congregation.

"Therefore, we call upon The United Lutheran Church in America to adopt as its primary emphasis for the next decade the intensive cultivation of the faith and life of the congregation.

"Need we justify the mention of a decade? We do not mean to harness to a ten year plan the zeal which should constantly be manifest. But we dare to believe that the impetus of a decade of such intensive cultivation of the inner life of the Church will carry us far beyond the modest goals we might be tempted to set today. God thus rewards those who put their trust in Him.

"And, lest some may fear that such official dedication to the intensive cultivation of our faith and life might handicap us in the furtherance of specific projects not yet apparent, we declare that we do not propose the limitation of the Church's zeal to this one aim. This is an emphasis so fundamental to the vitality of the Church, that it will lead us toward even broader horizons of self-dedication than we can now envision.

### "IV. *Recommendations*

(For action on these recommendations, see pp. 602-603)

"We, therefore, present the following basic recommendation, followed by certain other recommendations for the implementation of the program herein proposed:

### "A. The Basic Recommendation

"THAT THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA ADOPT AS ITS PRIMARY EMPHASIS FOR THE NEXT DECADE THE INTENSIVE CULTIVATION OF THE FAITH AND LIFE OF THE LOCAL CONGREGATION. (Amended, see p. 602)

### "B. Implementing Recommendations

"To make as effective as possible the recommended decade of emphasis on the intensive cultivation of the faith and life of the local congregation, your Committee believes it essential that the general content of the former committee's report, of the report of this committee, of the Report of the President to the 1948 convention come before synods, conferences, pastors, church councils and individual members of the congregations for study.

"We, therefore, recommend:

"1. That the reports of all representatives of the United Lutheran Church to its constituent synods in 1951 emphasize the importance of the faith and life of the local congregation as the foundation of the faith and life of the United Lutheran Church. (Executive Board) (Adopted, see p. 602)

"2. That the Conference of Synodical Presidents be requested to consider specific methods of augmenting the faith and life emphasis within the several synods. (Executive Board) (Adopted, see p. 602)

"3. That a study book on the faith and life of the congregation, emphasizing its primary importance as the foundation of the faith and life of the United Lutheran Church, be published for the use of pastors, church councils and congregational study groups. (Board of Publication) (Adopted, see p. 602)

"4. That a series of articles be prepared and published in *The Lutheran* indicating outstanding programs and methods used by congregations in promoting faith and life. (*The Lutheran*) (Adopted, see p. 602)

### "C. Supplementary Recommendations

"The following recommendations have grown out of our discussion of specific problems confronting the Church. They are supplementary to the basic emphasis of our report, and represent an extension of the valuable work of the former Committee in prescribing for specific needs of the Church in various phases of its faith and life.

Their inclusion must not be interpreted as defining or limiting the scope of the Basic Recommendation. They are offered to the Church as constructive suggestions in harmony with the emphasis of this report.

"To give worship more meaning for our congregations, we recommend:

> "1. That means be devised to instruct pastors and organists in the proper use of the revised liturgy. (Executive Board) (Adopted, see p. 603)
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> "2. That phonograph records be provided explaining and illustrating the revised Service for use in the congregation. (Common Service Book Committee) (Adopted, see p. 603)
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> "3. That provision be made to stimulate knowledge and appreciation of the new Hymnal (Common Service Book Committee) (Adopted, see p. 603)
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> "4. That a booklet of devotional material for use during the administration of Holy Communion be published. Such a publication should include among other things a concise statement of the Lutheran doctrine of the Lord's Supper. (Common Service Book Committee) (Adopted, see p. 603)

"To aid our people in effective service within the congregation and community, we recommend:

> "5. That, as far as possible, the organization of personnel which has been formed in the local parish during the current evangelism effort be continued and constantly improved, in order that every congregation may be equipped for a permanent evangelism program. (Board of Social Missions) (Adopted, see p. 603)
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> "6. That, looking toward thorough catechetical instruction for all new members of our congregations, a descriptive list of the various manuals now available for adult catechetical study be distributed to all pastors. (Parish and Church School Board) (Adopted, see p. 603)
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> "7. That institutes on labor-management be sponsored in metropolitan areas, to encourage a fuller understanding of the Christian approach to the problems of industrial workers and business executives. Such institutes should be attended by delegates from all local and suburban congregations, and a full report should be made to each congregation by the delegates. (Board of Social Missions) (For action, see p. 603)
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> "8. (*a*) That local congregations in metropolitan areas be encouraged to organize and develop social mission work through co-operative endeavor.
> "(*b*) That local congregations be guided and encouraged in the establishment of social mission work within their own communities and neighborhoods. (Board of Social Missions) (Adopted, see p. 603)

"To increase the understanding of the Church at large, we recommend:

> "9. That an appointment book be provided annually for laymen, similar in style to the appointment book given annually to all pastors by the Board of Publication. Such a laymen's appointment book, to be made available for purchase by congregational leaders, should include pertinent information concerning the U.L.C.A., its organization, dates of important U.L.C.A. events, as well as basic information concerning church-wide emphases throughout the year. (Board of Publication) (For action, see p. 603)
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> "10. That consideration be given to a revision of *The Lutheran Cyclopedia*, published in 1899 by Charles Scribner's Sons, and edited by H. E. Jacobs

and J. A. W. Haas. Such a revised publication would provide essential reference material on the history, polity and practices of the Lutheran Church, and valuable biographical data on its outstanding men and women. (Board of Publication)" (For action, see p. 603)

The Executive Board took the following action:

"It was moved and seconded that the Executive Board transmit this report to the 1950 convention of the Church and that it instruct the chairman of the Committee on Faith and Life, or his nominee, to make the presentation of the report."

The motion was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 3. Joint Promotion of Circulation of "The Lutheran"

#### (a) *Joint Responsibility with Board of Publication*

In his report to the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the president offered and the Board adopted the following resolutions:

"The 1948 convention resolved to make the promotion of the circulation of *The Lutheran* a major objective of the 1949-1950 biennium and committed the execution of this action to the Executive Board and the Board of Publication jointly (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 694).

"(*a*) RESOLVED, That, inasmuch as the promotion of the circulation of *The Lutheran* lies within the normal duties of the Board of Publication, the Executive Board indicate to the Board of Publication that it expects that board to assume the initiative in the desired promotion.

"(*b*) RESOLVED, That the Executive Board designate the officers of the Church to act for this Board in the discharge of its share in this duty, making reports from time to time as occasion requires."

#### (b) *Increasing Circulation of "The Lutheran" Especially Among Church Councilmen*

At the January 1949 meeting the Executive Board took the following action, after hearing the letter from Executive Secretary H. Torrey Walker below:

"In a letter to President Fry, dated January 18, 1949, Executive Secretary H. Torrey Walker of the Board of Publication reports as follows concerning the recent and continuing promotion efforts made to increase the circulation of *The Lutheran:*

" 'THE UNITED LUTHERAN PUBLICATION HOUSE

January 18, 1949

" 'Dr. Franklin Clark Fry, President
United Lutheran Church in America
231 Madison Avenue
New York 16, N. Y.

" 'Dear Dr. Fry:

" 'The Board of Publication wishes to report to the Executive Board its progress in the campaign to increase the circulation of *The Lutheran*. As of January 12, the subscriptions totaled 61,891 an all time high.

" 'While 6,800 subscriptions expire during January, the recent experience indicates better than 60 per cent renewal. And it is believed that additional subscriptions will be received before the end of the month to far more than offset any expirations.

" 'Since last June 30, the circulation has increased 19,000. This increase is a direct result of the two plans put in operation during the year 1948: the Synodical Circulation Plan and the co-ordination with the Stewardship

Department on solicitation during the Every Member Visitation. The increase can be broken down as follows:

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| “ ‘Synodical Circulation Plan | 54 per cent |
| Every Member Visitation | 19.5 |
| Local Congregational Solicitation | 6 |
| Individual and Gift Subscriptions | 20.5 |
| | 100.0 per cent |

“ ‘Four Synods have adopted the Synodical Circulation Plan and the results in these are given below:

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|---|---|
| Ohio | 5,019 |
| Ministerium | 2,677 |
| Virginia | 1,737 |
| Canada | 1,275 |
| | 10,708 |

“ ‘Twenty-five synods have the Synodical Circulation Plan under consideration; some are in the organizational phase, others are waiting for meetings of their executive committees or of their synods.

“ ‘While the goal is still far ahead, it is pleasant to be able to report this progress.

“ ‘Yours cordially,
(Signed)
“ ‘H. Torrey Walker
Executive Secretary’ ”

The Executive Board adopted the following motion: *“Moved and carried,* That the Board of Publication be asked to stimulate more and more the circulation of *The Lutheran* among Church councilmen.”

(c) *Progress Reports*

The officers reported to the Executive Board concerning the progress of this joint promotion as follows:

(1) At the April 1949 Executive Board Meeting

“In a letter dated April 7, 1949, Executive Secretary H. Torrey Walker of the Board of Publication reports concerning the recent and continuing promotion efforts to increase the circulation of *The Lutheran* as follows:

“ ‘In order that the Executive Board may be informed as to the status of *The Lutheran* circulation campaign, the following report is submitted:

“ ‘As of April 1, the circulation was 60,302.

“ ‘The four synods which began the Synodical Plan last year; namely, the synods of Ohio, Canada, Virginia and the Ministerium of Pennsylvania have or are about to appoint their committees to carry on a vigorous program this year. The circulation manager has kept in close touch with these synods.

“ ‘The Georgia-Alabama Synod has taken action to enter the Synodical Plan in 1949.

“ ‘Conferences and correspondence with the following synods indicate probable affirmative action by the following synods in 1949:

Kentucky-Tennessee
North Carolina
Indiana
Michigan
Iowa
Illinois
Northwest
Maryland
Central Pennsylvania

New York
California
Pacific
West Virginia
Western Canada
Mississippi
Florida
Nova Scotia
Rocky Mountain
Midwest

> " 'Mr. Bongarzone, the circulation manager, leaves on April 18 for a trip of six weeks which will enable him, through personal conference with the synodical committees of most of the synods listed above, to set up the Synodical Plan in those synods for 1949.' "

The Executive Board received this item as information.

(2) At the August 1949 Executive Board Meeting

"On August 8, 1949 Executive Secretary H. Torrey Walker of the Board of Publication reported the following developments in the plan for promoting the circulation of *The Lutheran:*

> "The following synods are fully organized for work along the lines of the synodical promotion plan advocated by the Board of Publication:
>
> "California
> Canada
> Florida
> Georgia-Alabama
> Iowa
> Kentucky-Tennessee
> Maryland
> Michigan
> Midwest
> Mississippi
> North Carolina
> Northwest
> Ohio
> Ministerium of Penna.
> Virginia
> West Virginia
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> "The following synods have had conference with Mr. C. A. Bongarzone, circulation manager, and will set up their organization in late August or early September:
>
> "Central Pennsylvania
> Illinois
> New York
> Western Canada
>
> "The following synods, as the result of certain misunderstandings concerning the plan, first found it impossible to participate in the plan but upon reconsideration have decided to co-operate fully:
>
> "Indiana
> South Carolina
>
> "The following synod has agreed to take part in the Synodical plan but has not yet reported the personnel of its special committee:
>
> "Pacific
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> "The following synod finds it impossible at present to enter this promotion plan:
>
> "Pittsburgh
>
> "The following synods had not as of August 8, 1949, reported action on the plan:
>
> "Icelandic
> Kansas
> Nebraska
> Nova Scotia
> Rocky Mountain
> Slovak Zion
> Texas
> Wartburg

"The Board of Publication is now offering the synodical committee a film slide for use in making presentations concerning *The Lutheran.*

"A wire recording of the animated discussion of the synodical subscription plan at the 1949 convention of the Ohio Synod is being furnished synodical committees. (An Ohio Synod congregation which reported 10 new subscriptions in 1948 has secured [redacted] in 1949.)

"The Rev. Charles A. Hackenberg and the Rev. Henry C. Roehner, D.D., who are leading the Ohio Synod campaign, have agreed to attend certain strategically located committee meetings in other synods this fall.

"An extensive overhauling of the subscriptions recording apparatus is now being completed at the United Lutheran Publication House. A number of key persons in this process are being specifically trained for their duties.

"Subscription to *The Lutheran* totaled 54,000 at the beginning of August, 1949. The annual "low" in the subscription graph is reached in the month of August. There is every prospect that there will be a strong upswing in mid-autumn. The circulation manager and the staff of the Publication House are determined to try to reach the 150,000 in this year's effort."

The Executive Board received this item as information.

(3) At the October 1949 Executive Board meeting

"On October 11, 1949, Executive Secretary H. Torrey Walker of the Board of Publication reported the following developments in the plan for promoting the circulation of *The Lutheran:*

> "Despite the usual summer decline in subscriptions their total continues to be encouragingly high. The October 1, 1949 issue went to 56,053 subscribers. The comparable issue in 1948 went to 42,312 subscribers. The September 1949 increase in subscriptions was 3,455; the September 1948 increase was 2,087.
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> "The South Carolina Synod is now giving full support to the synodical subscription plan. The Indiana Synod Executive Committee will give favorable consideration to the plan at its next meeting. Preliminary developments in the Illinois and New York synods and in the Ministerium of Pennsylvania look very favorable.
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> "There are 23 of the 32 constituent synods of the U.L.C.A. now actively engaged in using the synodical subscription plan. Those 23 synods include 771,901 of the 889,962 communing members reported in the 1949 U.L.C.A. *Year Book.*
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> "Of the first eight Ohio Synod congregations to report subscription totals this fall, the totals advanced from 883 last year to 1,080 this year. This is a 22 per cent increase. The post-Thanksgiving period is expected to produce this year's major increase in subscription totals throughout the Church.
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> "The Board of Publication is conducting a direct promotion effort in the homes of the 118,000 communing members who will not be reached by the synodical plan. There are 490 pastors in the nine synods which are not now using the plan. The first Publication House mailing produced 25 requests for the promotional kits. A second mailing is scheduled for October 17, 1949."

The Executive Board received this item as information.

(4) At the January 1950 Executive Board Meeting

"On January 9, 1950, the Board of Publication reported to the Executive Board regarding the progress of the circulation campaign for *The Lutheran* as follows:

> " 'Twenty-four synods are engaged in the campaign. Of these, three will make their effort in early 1950. The January 18, 1950 mailing will go to 78,500

subscribers. This represents an increase in the same period of 63.7 per cent over 1948 and 43.7 per cent over 1949. The volume of subscriptions is increasing—December 1949 saw the largest number of new subscriptions entered in any one month up to this time—18,228. The largest single week so far was the week ending January 7, 1950—with 7,134 new subscriptions.

"'The plan calling for the placing of *The Lutheran* in every home by the congregation is steadily gaining acceptance. This is true of the small congregation as well as the large. It is heartening though to think that the larger congregations see the opportunity to put the work of the Church before their families through this plan. The following congregations recently enrolled or re-enrolled their families:

"'Holy Trinity, Minneapolis, Minnesota — 1,076 subscriptions
Redeemer, Milwaukee, Wisconsin — 803 subscriptions
Trinity, Reading, Pennsylvania — 710 subscriptions
Augsburg, Toledo, Ohio — 694 subscriptions
Trinity, Ashland, Ohio — 667 subscriptions
Augsburg, Toledo was a re-enrollment'

"At the request of Executive Secretary, H. Torrey Walker, the officers distributed to the Executive Board a graph indicating 'the number of current subscriptions received under the Synodical Plan to and including January 6, 1950 (i.e. exclusive of individuals or package subscriptions).'

"The officers RECOMMEND that the Executive Board express to the Board of Publication this Board's high gratification over the strong progress being made in the campaign to increase the circulation of *The Lutheran.*"

The Executive Board adopted the above recommendation.

(5) At the April 1950 Executive Board Meeting

"On April 4, 1950, Dr. H. Torrey Walker, executive secretary of the Board of Publication, reported that the strong upswing in subscriptions to *The Lutheran* had leveled off at 89,000. While it does not seem possible that the hoped-for total of 100,000 subscriptions by the 1950 convention of the Church will be reached, it is likely that a firm base of about 80,000 subscriptions can be held."

The Executive Board received this item as information.

(6) At the June 1950 Executive Board Meeting

"The circulation of *The Lutheran* for the issue of June 14, 1950, was reported as being 85,300. This slight drop from the previously reported high of about 89,000 is the result of a seasonal decline in renewals and solicitation efforts. Some small further reduction in the subscription total can be expected through the summer months. It is now hoped, however, that the base from which the subscription drive can begin anew in the fall will not be lower than 85,000.

"Mr. C. A. Bongarzone, circulation manager of *The Lutheran,* has attended many of the synodical conventions this year. He has had an encouraging response to his call for continued development of the synodical subscription plan. The Board of Publication will ask the approval of the 1950 U.L.C.A. convention for his continuing his presentations in the next biennium."

The Executive Board received the above item as information.

### 4. Conferences on Merger of Church Papers

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report:

"The Committee on Church Papers, meeting on April 12, 1948, recommended (Minutes, Executive Board, April, 1948, p. 503):

> " '3. That conferences of those having editorial responsibility for papers of the ULC and its boards, agencies and auxiliaries be arranged under the authority of the Executive Board to define the areas of subject matter with which each periodical should normally concern itself.'

"The Executive Board, after reviewing the report of the April 12, 1948 meeting of the Committee on Church Papers, and considering especially the recommendation immediately above, adopted the following recommendation:

> " 'The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board call a conference of representatives of the several boards, auxiliaries, and other agencies which publish periodicals in the church papers field, to explore this whole subject and to seek agreements as to the proper sphere, content, and character of the several publications under review, and to report its findings and recommendations to the Executive Board' (Executive Board Minutes, April, 1948, p. 504).

"At the July 7-8, 1948 meeting of the Executive Board, President Fry reported (Minutes, p. 551) that he had requested the secretary 'to take the initiative in all matters relating to the proposed "conference of representatives of several boards, auxiliaries and other agencies which publish periodicals in the church papers field" ' (Executive Board Minutes, pp. 502-504). The secretary of the Church will bring the Executive Board up to date about this complex issue through the report of the officers.'

"In view of the conferences on the subject of church papers which have taken place in connection with the recent meetings of the Committee of Executive Secretaries, and in view of the fact that the Committee of Executive Secretaries at its September 6, 1949 meeting concluded that for the present the most productive approach to the problems involved could be made through informal discussions between representatives of the Committee on Church Papers and the executive and editorial personnel of the several boards and agencies publishing periodicals, it seems best to await the outcome of these bilateral conferences before attempting a multilateral approach."

This item was received as information.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary presented the following report:

"The secretary, having been charged with keeping in touch with developments in the proposed informal conferences between representatives of the U.L.C.A. Committee on Church Papers and representatives of boards and agencies, reports as information the following paragraphs from the minutes of the January 17, 1950 meeting of that Committee:

> " 'Dr. Ruff reported on the action taken at the June meeting of the Church Papers Committee requesting consideration of the merger procedure by the Committee of Executive Secretaries. He announced that the Committee of Executive Secretaries had considered the matter and suggested the appointment of a member of the Church Papers Committee together with a member of the Board of Publication to confer informally with staff representatives of boards and auxiliaries, and that after preliminary plans have been drafted, approach be made to the Executive Board to grant approval of direct conference.
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> " 'By proper motion, Dr. Hershey was selected as the representative of the Church Papers Committee, who, with Dr. Walker of the Board of Publication, is informally to contact staff representatives of boards and agencies relative to the possibility of merging papers.' "

This item was received as information.

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary presented the follow-report:

"The Executive Board instructed the secretary to keep in touch with any developments in the merger of the periodicals published by the boards and agencies of the U.L.C.A., and to report them to the Executive Board from time to time. Accordingly a quotation from the minutes of the U.L.C.A. Committee on Church Papers, meeting on June 13, 1950 is given below:

> " 'The report of the representative of the Church Papers Committee and the representative of the Board of Publication charged with unofficial contact work in the effort to promote the merging of church papers, together with observations by Editor Ruff, revealed some progress along several lines. There is evidence to believe that the Board of American Missions is seriously considering the offer of a page in the weekly *Lutheran* and the discontinuing of *Ecclesia Plantanda*. The Ministerium of Pennsylvania by synodical action has committed itself to incorporate its present publication in *The Lutheran* (for its constituent subscribers) at the convenient moment. This example in the field of synodical papers is being seriously considered, with adaptations, in the Ohio Synod and in the Canada Synod. The Luther League is anticipating a merger of all its publications into one good and inclusive youth journal. It was also noted that the Board of Social Missions is producing a mimeographed quarterly.
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> " 'This report—of a committee charged with an unofficial task—was received only as information and was interpreted to mean that increased circulation of *The Lutheran*, patience, tact, and discussion may ultimately reduce the number of church papers.' "

This item was received as information.

### 5. U.L.C.A. Year Book

*(a) 1949 Edition*

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary reported:

"It is gratifying to report that the entire printing of 26,000 copies of the 1949 *Year Book* was sold out in February. Orders for this publication continue to come to the ULPH central and branch offices, and to the secretary's office. The United Lutheran Publication House is now trying to recover copies from congregations which ordered a larger supply than needed."

This item was received as information.

*(b) 1950 Edition*

The secretary reported as follows concerning the 1950 edition of the U.L.C.A. *Year Book* at the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board:

"Special interest attaches to the U.L.C.A.'s 1950 *Year Book* because it is Number 100 in an unbroken series of such publications issued by the U.L.C.A. and its predecessor general bodies and synods.

"After an aggravating sequence of serious delays, many of which were quite beyond our control, and a few of which stretch as far back as last March, and several mechanical failures in IBM and printing equipment, the 1950 edition of the U.L.C.A. *Year Book* started into the mails on January 20. Had it not been for the patience, willingness, and sustained effort of the aides in the office of the secretary, and the flawless co-operation of the United Lutheran Publication House, a disastrously late appearance rather than a disturbing and discouraging one could have resulted. Efforts are already being made to get the 1951 edition back into the stride of the 1948 and 1949 issues which appeared in mid-December.

"There is a bright spot in the report about the 1950 *Year Book*. On the day the edition of 26,000 and an overrun of 500 copies started into the mails, orders were on hand in Philadelphia for the entire printing."

This item was received as information.

### 6. Pastor's Desk Book

*(a) Addition of "Order for the Burial of the Dead Who Die Without the Sign of Faith" to Permanent Materials*

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report and recommendation:

"The 1936 convention of the U.L.C.A. (Minutes, pp. 439-443) adopted, on recommendation of the Common Service Book Committee, an Order for the Burial of the Dead Who Die Without the Sign of Faith. It is likely that most of our pastors have not known of the existence of this order or have forgotten that the Church authorized its use. Pastors in the U.S.A. and Canada, and on our mission fields who know of the service have found it helpful. (It is interesting to remember in this connection that one of the friendly criticisms made by President E. Prakasam of our Church in India, just before leaving America a few weeks ago, was that our pastors and congregations make little or no distinction in the burial of the dead between those who have died as Christian believers and those who die without the sign of faith.)

"The officers RECOMMEND that the 'Order for the Burial of the Dead Who Die Without the Sign of Faith' be added to the permanent materials furnished pastors for their *Desk Book.*

The recommendation was adopted.

The Executive Board took this further action: "It was moved and carried that the officers be requested to study the desirability of including the statement concerning corporate communions, adopted by the 1940 convention of the U.L.C.A., (Minutes, pp. 61, 145) in the permanent materials furnished pastors for their *Desk Book.*"

*(b) Addition of Statement Concerning Corporate Communions to Permanent Materials*

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report and recommendation:

"At the April 21-22, 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the officers were requested to study the desirability of including the statement concerning corporate communions, adopted by the 1940 convention of the U.L.C.A., (Minutes, pp. 61, 145), in the permanent materials furnished pastors for their *Desk Book*. This statement was mailed to members of the Executive Board for review July 22, 1949.

"In order to assist our pastors in interpreting to their members the true meaning and proper use of the Sacrament of the Altar, and in order to give full support to those who are called upon to grant or withhold the permissions referred to in the statement,

"The officers RECOMMEND that the Executive Board indicate its approval of this item, and request the Board of Publication to include it in the permanent materials sent pastors for their *Desk Book.*"

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

*(c) Copies for Lay Members of Executive Board*

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report:

"An inquiry from a lay member of the Executive Board directed to Manager H. Torrey Walker of the United Lutheran Publication House asked if it would be possible for the inquirer to be placed on the mailing list for *Desk Book* materials. The question of granting this request was submitted to the officers by Manager Walker. At their meeting on May 31, 1949, the officers agreed to request Manager Walker to consider favorably sending the *Pastor's Desk Book* materials to those lay members of the Executive Board who specifically ask for them. Two considerations prompted the officers to make this request to Manager Walker: the lay members participate in making decisions concerning certain *Desk Book* materials; the *Desk Book* has become such a vital part of our Church's life that all members of its executive body should be informed of and by its contents. Mr. Walker informs us that *Desk Book* mailings are now going to the six lay members of the Executive Board who have requested them."

This item was received as information.

### 7. Permission to Reprint Copyrighted Materials from Common Service Book

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the president reported the following requests for permission to reprint materials from

(*a*) *To Rev. Arthur T. Keuhnert*

"Twice during this quarter the president has been approached for formal permission to reprint worship material from the Common Service Book, for which the U.L.C.A. holds the copyright. One request was received from Pastor Arthur T. Keuhnert of Pana, Illinois, who desired to reproduce the musical setting of the *Gloria in Excelsis* for the use of his congregation, which is a member of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

(*b*) *To the Wartburg Press*

"The Wartburg Press of the American Lutheran Church requested the right to use the 'Order for the Baptism of Infants' in a baptismal booklet. Mr. Daniel M. Shonting, general manager of the Wartburg Press, has given assurances that the new booklet is intended primarily for sale within congregations of the American Lutheran Church.

"The president granted the desires of both."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

(*c*) *To Dr. Edmund H. Babbitt*

"Dr. Edmund H. Babbitt, educational secretary of the Board of Hospitals and Homes of the Methodist Church, is about to publish a *Pastor's Pocket Manual for Hospital and Sick Room* as a private venture and requests permission to use the Order for the Communion of the Sick from the Occasional Services of the United Lutheran Church. The proposed book will be pocket-size and similar in its general format to the familiar funeral manuals. It will contain a section on how to minister to the sick, the dying, the bereaved and the family of the sick. After it will follow Scripture quotations arranged for use with the sick; then poems; a section of uplifting thoughts and another of prayers for all types of situations. Finally will come a section of Communion Services. Permission has already been granted to Dr. Babbitt to reprint the services of the Presbyterian, the Congregational, Baptist and Methodist churches. Since the book is intended for use by ministers of many denominations, Dr. Babbitt hopes to be able to include the Lutheran Order. The manual is not intended for use by the patient at any time but solely for the minister. The Abingdon-Cokesbury Press, which is to be the publisher of the book, strongly endorses Dr. Babbitt's request through Dr. Noland B. Harmon, Jr., its editor.

"What is the judgment of the Executive Board?"

The Executive Board voted to grant this permission.

*(d) To Dr. Edmund H. Babbitt*

The following further request from Dr. Edward H. Babbitt was reported by the president to the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board:

"Dr. Babbitt, education secretary of the Board of Hospitals and Homes of the Methodist Church, (page 12, Executive Board Minutes, January 1949) further requested permission to reprint the prayer for contentment on page 214 of the Common Service Book in the *Pastor's Pocket Manual for Hospital and Sick Room.* In the spirit of the Executive Board's action in January 1949, the president granted this permission."

The Executive Board received this item as information.

*(e) To Long Branch, New Jersey "Daily Record"*

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the president reported the following request as having been granted:

"The request of the Long Branch (New Jersey) *Daily Record* for permission to print, during Holy Week, the History of the Passion of our Lord as it is found in the Common Service Book, pages 216-228, was also granted."

The Executive Board received this item as information.

*(f) To Rev. James Robert Thompson*

At the August 1949 meeting the Executive Board received as information the following item from the report of the officers:

"A letter from the Rev. James Robert Thompson, M.A., rector of The Parish of St. Margaret, Barnhill, Dundee, Angus, Scotland, addresssed to the United Lutheran Publication House and forwarded by its manager, Mr. H. Torrey Walker, to the officers, requested permission to print short excerpts from the Common Service Book Orders of Confession and Absolution in an article on 'A Plea for the Absolution in the Reformed Churches' to appear in *The Annual* of the Church Service Society.

"In the absence of President Fry, and because the request was both urgent and worthy, the secretary granted the permission asked. His action was ratified by his fellow officers on May 24, 1949.

"*The Annual* referred to above appeared in May 1949. Quotations from the Common Service Book, erroneously called "the service book used by the American Lutherans," appear on page 36."

*(g) To Augustana Book Concern*

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the officers reported the following request as having been granted:

"The Reverend Daniel Nystrom, Secretary of Literature of the Augustana Book Concern, Rock Island, Illinois, addressed the following request to the Rev. Franklin C. Fry, on January 18, 1950:

> " 'Dear Doctor Fry:
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> " 'The Augustana Book Concern is about to publish a devotional book to be entitled *When We Pray.* It will contain, besides forms or orders for daily worship in the home, a collection of prayers suitable for use in family and individual devotions. This collection will have prayers from many sources, old and more recent, in the Christian Church, but we desire above all to have a goodly number of prayers from Lutheran sources. I am writing you, as editor and compiler of the forthcoming book, and on behalf of our publishing house, asking your kind permission to use a number of prayers from *The*

*Common Service Book*, for which the United Lutheran Church holds copyright.

" 'We desire to use the following material from *The Common Service Book:*

" 'Three Collects:

> For New Year; for 26th Sunday after Trinity; and for the Festival of the Harvest

" 'The following prayers from "Collects and Prayers" (C.S.B. 1917): Nos, 1, 5, 23, 30, 46, 49, 53, 68, 72, 85, 88, 92, 96

" 'It is not certain that we would use all the prayers mentioned, but we will want to use as many of them as possible, and we shall very much appreciate an authorization of the United Lutheran Church through you to include all, or as many as you may indicate.

" 'If agreeable to you, we would want to use the name of the writer of the prayer, when known, under the selection, and mention all the prayers, and *The Common Service Book* as source, on the special acknowledgments page, used by permission of the United Lutheran Church.

" 'Thanking you for your consideration of our request, I remain,

" 'Sincerely yours,
(Signed)
" 'Daniel Nystrom (Rev.)
Secretary of Literature'

"The officers report that, after consultation with H. Torrey Walker, executive secretary of the Board of Publication, they have authorized the use of the 3 collects from Church Year propers and the 13 collects and prayers from the 'Collects and Prayers' section of *The Common Service Book*, listed in the January 18, 1950 letter of Secretary Daniel Nystrom quoted above, for use in the forthcoming devotional book of the Augustana Book Concern entitled *When We Pray.*

The Executive Board received this item as information.

### 8. Comprehensive Index of U.L.C.A. Convention Minutes

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary presented the following report and recommendation:

"The section of the Comprehensive Index of U.L.C.A. convention minutes which has been copied out of the card indices is the one which deals with Social Missions. This section of the index is almost fully complete through the 1946 minutes.

"In the minutes of the Board of Social Missions, the following item appears:

> " 'Secretary Letts reported that Dr. Flack had promised him the use of a prepared summary to supplement the index of social missions actions of the U.L.C.A. in its conventions prepared by Miss Mable Groneberg, and that as soon as this was received arrangements for publication of the index would be made as previously authorized.'

"Inasmuch as this index is properly in the control of the Executive Board, and inasmuch as all publication of sections of the index should be uniform in format and composition,

"The secretary RECOMMENDS that any person, board or agency intending to publish sections of the Comprehensive Index of U.L.C.A. Convention Minutes be required to have the authorization of the Executive Board."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 9. Forms Supplied Author of Legal Textbook

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Legal Committee reported as follows:

"Prof. Richard R. Powell of Columbia University School of Law is writing a textbook on the Law of Land and asked us for a sample deed and mortgage by a Lutheran Church. We forwarded to him photostatic copies (1) of the deed from the U.L.C.A. to the J. P. Morgan Estate for 39 E. 35th Street, New York City; (2) a deed by the Lutheran wing of a Union Church of its interest to the Reformed wing; and (3) a simple—not bond issue—mortgage by a congregation."

This item was received as information.

### 10. "Good Will Book" to Japan from American Bible Society

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the president presented the following report:

"The American Bible Society is compiling a 'Good Will Book' containing the signatures of donors who 'are helping to provide the Scriptures for Japan.' The volume 'will be presented to the people of Japan in ceremonies which will be given wide publicity in Japan and the United States and will be a dramatic expression of the desire of American Christians that the people of Japan shall know Christ.' At the request of the American Bible Society President Fry signed this book in behalf of The United Lutheran Church in America in recognition of the fact that a portion of our Church's gifts through the Bible Society has been used for Japan."

This item was received as information.

## BIENNIAL CONVENTIONS OF U.L.C.A.

### 11. 1948 U.L.C.A. Convention, Philadelphia

*(a) Exhibit of Income and Expenditures of the Local Committee*

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary presented the following report:

"We now have, over the signature of the Rev. Earl S. Erb, secretary of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, an exhibit of the income and expenditures of the Philadelphia Committee in connection with the 1948 U.L.C.A. convention. Local committees will find such a record helpful in making plans for future conventions of the Church. When local committees disband after a convention it is often difficult to recover an accounting of this kind. It is therefore introduced here to make it both a permanent and readily accessible record.

*"Exhibit of Income and Expenditures*
*Local Committee*
*Philadelphia (1948) Convention of the U.L.C.A.*

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| "Balance, January 1, 1948 | | $ 350.00 |
| Receipts: | | |
| Donations from Individuals and Congregations | $3,717.58 | |
| Visitors' Registrations | 476.55 | |
| Refunds on Entertainment of Delegates | 12.00 | |
| Per Diem Return—Philadelphia Delegates | 944.00 | |
| | | 5,150.13 |
| | | $5,500.13 |

“Disbursements:

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| Printing | 1,506.30 | |
| Badges | 733.08 | |
| Stationery and Postage | 167.42 | |
| Convention Hall Expense | 615.51 | |
| Music | 185.00 | |
| Committee Expense | 118.54 | |
| Buses for Motorcade to Old Trappe Church and Valley Forge | 885.76 | |
| Entertainment of Delegates | 113.37 | |
| Publicity | 356.00 | |
| | | $4,680.98” |

This item was received as information.

(b) *Copyright for Meditations and Prayers of Convention Chaplain*

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the following request was reported by the officers:

“A letter from Manager H. Torrey Walker of the United Lutheran Publication House, January 13, 1949, calls to our attention the request of the chaplain of the 1948 Convention, the Rev. Oscar F. Blackwelder, that the booklet of his meditations and prayers be copyrighted. Inasmuch as the printing of this booklet is a commission which our publication house is executing for the United Lutheran Church (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 689), Manager Walker desires to know the will of the Executive Board concerning the copyright. Shall the copyright be registered, and in whose name, that of The United Lutheran Church in America or that of the Muhlenberg Press?”

In response to this request the Executive Board action was the following:

“Moved and carried that the copyright be secured for this publication in the name of The United Lutheran Church in America.”

(c) *Biennial Convention Fund, Unexpended Balance from Philadelphia, 1948, Convention Added to Funds Provided for 1950 Convention*

(See III, 11, p. 123, of this report.)

### 12. 1950 U.L.C.A. Convention, Des Moines, Iowa, Plans and Authorizations

(a) *Investigation of Convention Facilities, Des Moines, Iowa*

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary reported as follows:

“On June 9-11, 1949, the secretary and the Rev. Carl E. Koppenhaver, director of the News Service of the U.L.C.A., made an inclusive investigation of convention facilities in Des Moines, Iowa. In making this survey the U.L.C.A. representatives had the willing and able help of the president of the Iowa Synod, the Rev. Frederick D. Boldt, D.D., and of a committee of laymen headed by Attorney Alex M. Miller, who knows his native city thoroughly and has ready access to its leaders and to its convention gear. Mr. Miller’s committee men were Messrs. Bert Stolpe and Tom Lewis Shumate. Each of these laymen represented one of our three U.L.C.A. congregations in Des Moines. The Rev. Frederick J. Weertz, D.D., and the Rev. Alfred J. Beil, D.D., pastors of St. John’s Lutheran Church, Des Moines, also gave us freely of their time and informed counsel.

“The Des Moines Convention Bureau, through its genial secretary, Mr. Arthur Brayton, arranged a luncheon at which the U.L.C.A. representatives had an opportunity to meet the religion editors, radio and television program directors and the hotel managers of our 1950 convention city. We are assured of the active co-operation of these men and women as we make and execute our convention plans. We were able to meet many of these people in their own offices, and to gain from them the information which will enable us to contact them quickly as need arises.

"The convention hall, KRNT Radio Theater, is entirely adequate for our business sessions. St. John's Lutheran Church will provide attractive accommodations for the convention's Communion Service."

This item was received as information.

"A detailed report on convention facilities was presented to the Executive Board. The report included information on Des Moines: U.L.C.A. congregations; the convention hall (KRNT Radio Theater); newspapers and wire services; radio stations and their network connections; display builders; hotels ("Grade A"); convention bureau; general facts on Des Moines, Iowa, and Iowa Synod leadership. A copy of this report will be mailed to persons who have special responsibilities for pre-convention planning. A supplemental report mailed later to the same persons included detailed information on Des Moines' railroad, airplane, and bus facilities."

### (b) *Dates Set for 1950 U.L.C.A. Convention*

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report and recommendation:

"At last six reasons appear for establishing the dates of the 1950 convention at this meeting of the Executive Board: certain fixed contracts must be entered into without delay; the hotels in Des Moines and that city's Convention Bureau have other conventions desiring the time tentatively selected by the U.L.C.A.: news releases should begin to announce the definite dates; U.L.C.A. board and agency staffs are already blocking out field trips etc. for the fall of 1950; some preconvention printing will soon be started by the Iowa Synod convention committee; the schedule of days and sessions used in 1948 seemed satisfactory and we now can secure convention hall and hotel accommodations, making possible a repetition of that schedule. Therefore,

"The officers RECOMMEND that 17th Biennial Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America begin at 10:00 A.M. (prevailing time) on Wednesday, October 4, 1950, and adjourn on Thursday, October 12, 1950."

The recommendation was adopted.

### (c) *Contract for Convention Hall, KRNT Radio Theater*

At the August 1948 meeting of the Executive Board the officers reported as follows:

"Manager D. C. Peterson of KRNT Radio Theater, Des Moines, Iowa, on behalf of its owners, offers the following 'agreement' to The United Lutheran Church in America for use of the specified space and equipment of that building for the Church's biennial convention, October 4-12, 1950:

> "'KRNT RADIO THEATER AGREEMENT
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> "'THIS AGREEMENT, entered into by and between the Cowles Broadcasting Company, of Des Moines, Iowa, owner and operator of the KRNT RADIO THEATER, Lessor and The United Lutheran Church in America of 231 Madison Avenue, New York 16, New York (Tel. LExington 2-3410) Lessee, is to the following effects:
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> "'1. For and in consideration of $2,475.00, payable in advance as follows: ________ by Lessee to Lessor at its office in Des Moines, Iowa, Lessor agrees to lease the following premises, located at Tenth and Pleasant Streets, Des Moines, Iowa, including heat, light and janitor service only to Lessee for the period(s) indicated only: Main auditorium, stage, dressing rooms, lobbies, foyers and checkrooms, KRNT RADIO THEATER. Tentative schedule listed below.

" 'If the premises become unavailable as a result of fire or any other accident, casualty or condition beyond the control of the Lessor, this agreement shall automatically be terminable by such occurrence, by Lessor notifying Lessee therof at his address given in this lease, and such notice shall fully release Lessor from any obligations hereunder; provided, however, that Lessor shall, in the event of such termination, refund to Lessee any advanced and unearned rental.

" '2. Lessee agrees:

a. That premises are being leased for the purpose of biennial convention of The United Lutheran Church in America and will be used for no other purpose;

b. That Lessee will pay for all labor, services, supplies and equipment incidental thereto;

c. That Lessee will comply with all laws and governmental regulations, will obtain whatever permits are necessary, and will pay all fees and taxes, federal, state or local, and including social security and witholding taxes in connection therewith;

d. That Lessee will conform to requirements of all unions properly interested.

" '3. It is further mutually agreed that all adverstising, promotion or publicity by or for Lessee concerning the above event or events will identify the premises herein leased as the "KRNT Radio Theater" and in no other way.

" '(4. Deleted)

" '5. The additional provisions, if any, contained on the reverse hereof, are agreed to be a part of this lease agreement with full force and effect as if contained on the face hereof.

" '6. Lessee covenants and agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Lessor, its affiliates, officers or employees, from any loss, charge, claim, cause of action, or damage occurring as a result or arising in any way out of the conduct of the enterprise for which premises are leased from Lessor.

" 'Done at Des Moines, Iowa, this 10th day of June, 1949.

" 'The United Lutheran Church in America
231 Madison Avenue
New York 16, New York
By F. Eppling Reinartz
COWLES BROADCASTING COMPANY
By /s/ D. C. Peterson

" '7. Tentative schedule of convention is as follows:

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| " 'Wed., | Oct. 4, 1950 | Afternoon, evening | $ 315.00 |
| Thu., | Oct. 5, 1950 | Morning, afternoon | 225.00 |
| Fri., | Oct. 6, 1950 | Morning, afternoon, evening | 315.00 |
| Sat., | Oct. 7, 1950 | Morning | 225.00 |
| Sun., | Oct. 8, 1950 | Afternoon *or* evening | 225.00 |
| Mon., | Oct. 9, 1950 | Morning, afternoon, evening | 315.00 |
| Tue., | Oct. 10, 1950 | Morning, afternoon, evening | 315.00 |
| Wed., | Oct. 11, 1950 | Morning, afternoon, evening | 315.00 |
| Thu., | Oct. 12, 1950 | Morning | 225.00 |
| | | | $2,475.00 |

" 'It is agreed that fewer or additional sessions may be scheduled for which Lessor will issue charges or credits according to the 26-time rate of Rate Card No. 2 dated July 1, 1948, hereto attached.

" 'ACCEPTED: The United Lutheran Church in America
By F. Eppling Reinartz
Cowles Broadcasting Company
By /s/ D. C. Peterson' "

"Convention hall rental in 1946, Cleveland, Ohio, was $3,911.31; Philadelphia, Pa., 1948, (including Academy of Music) $4,580.99.

"Inasmuch as the KRNT Radio Theater will meet the needs of the 1950 convention of the Church, and inasmuch as the rental terms and conditions have been cleared with the Executive Board's Legal Committee and are satisfactory,

"The officers Recommend
"(1) that item No. 1 of the 'agreement' be completed to read: 'For and in consideration of $2,475.00, payable in advance as follows: $300.00 on the date this agreement is signed by The United Lutheran Church in America; $2,175.00 on October 4, 1950 by Lessee to Lessor at its office in Des Moines, Iowa, . . . . . .'

"(2) that the secretary be and is hereby authorized to enter into the above agreement in the name and on the behalf of The United Lutheran Church in America."

The recommendation was adopted.

The Executive Board took this further action: "Moved and carried that the secretary be instructed to secure adequate public liability insurance coverage for the convention."

### (d) *Renting Basement of Convention Hall Authorized*

Developments in convention plans, and the extensive remodeling of the basement of KRNT Radio Theater's basement, made it necessary and desirable for the U.L.C.A. to secure that area for convention purposes. At the June, 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report and recommendation:

"In a March 25, 1950 local telephone conference with Mr. D. C. Peterson, manager of the KRNT Radio Theater, he informed the Secretary of the Church that the renovated basement of that building would be available to the U.L.C.A. during its convention week at 'about $25.00 or $30.00 a day.'

"The April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board authorized the officers to enter into a rental agreement, 'on the above terms,' with the owners of the KRNT Radio Theater, for the use of the basement of that building during the convention of the Church, October 4-12, 1950.

"In reply to a letter from the secretary concerning a fixed daily rental for the KRNT basement Manager Peterson indicated that the price had been set at $100.00 a day, but that the basement would be available to the U.L.C.A. at $50.00 a day. A letter from the secretary to Attorney Alex Miller, chairman of the Iowa Synod committee on convention arrangements, reminded him of the March 25 agreement, and asked Mr. Miller to contact Manager Peterson personally, brought the following reply from Mr. Miller:

> "'. . . Upon reading your letter, he (Mr. Peterson) recalled his conversation with you on the telephone. As you remember, it was a busy day for him and the matter slipped his mind when he wrote to you on May 8. However, he stated that you may take the figure of $30.00 instead of $50.00 a day. He will appreciate your advising him that the price of $30.00 a day is agreeable to you.'

"The officers will continue this correspondence until a firm, written rental agreement is secured from Mr. Peterson at the rate of $30.00 a day for use of the KRNT basement, October 4-12, 1950."

This item was received as information.

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report:

"The following letter was received today from Mr. D. C. Peterson, Manager of the KRNT Radio Theater, concerning the U.L.C.A.'s use of the theater basement in connection with our 1950 convention:

" 'Dr. F. Eppling Reinartz, Secretary September 11, 1950
The United Lutheran Church in America
231 Madison Avenue at 37th Street
New York 16, New York

" 'Dear Dr. Reinartz:

" 'As you know, the KRNT Theater basement was rented to the United States Army for the months of August and September to use for examination of inductees and reservists. Because of their expanding activities they could not use their old quarters, and because of the shortage of space in Des Moines, the KRNT Theater basement seemed to be the only place suitable for their purpose.

" 'We have now received an official request from the Army for an extension of their lease beyond October 1. As you will unquestionably agree, the Army is our first responsibility and of course we must grant this request. As we all know, their activities will continue to increase and it is difficult to say how long this space will be required.

" 'You are one of our valued customers, and we are distressed that we are compelled to cancel your request for space in the Theater basement during your convention from October 4 to October 12. It is our understanding that you have made alternate plans in anticipation of such a situation, and you may be sure that we will do everything within our power to help you carry them out with as little inconvenience to you as possible. Please call on us if we can be of any service.

" 'Sincerely,
" 'KRNT THEATER
(signed)
" 'D. C. Peterson, Manager'

"All our boards and agencies are being alerted concerning this development and are accommodating themselves to it helpfully. We plan to use the second floor foyer called the promenade for the displays.

"The receipt of Mr. Peterson's letter makes any further negotiations concerning the rental of the KRNT basement unnecessary."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

(e) *Convention Public Liability Insurance*

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary was authorized to investigate the costs, etc. of securing public liability insurance to cover U.L.C.A. liability at the Des Moines convention, 1950.

Terms were investigated both in New York City and in Des Moines, Iowa. At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board, following a progress report on this matter by the secretary, the Board took the following action:

> "Moved and seconded that the officers of the Church be authorized to procure adequate public liability insurance to cover the liability of the U.L.C.A. both at KRNT Radio Theater and St. John's Lutheran Church, Des Moines, Iowa, at the times these buildings are being used by the 1950 convention of the Church."

The motion carried.

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the officers reported further on this matter as follows:

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"Through the good offices of Attorney Alex Miller of Des Moines, Iowa, the Employers Mutual Casualty Company of Des Moines, Iowa, has been requested to provide us a quotation on the necessary public liability insurance. In a May 11, 1950 letter from Mr. L. E. Bruce of that company to Mr. Miller the following proposition is offered:

> " 'We propose to issue a Schedule Liability Policy, affording Bodily Injury Coverage with limits of liability of $10,000 each person and $50,000 each accident. The premium charge for this coverage would be $40.00
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> " 'We have based our premium charge on the premise that the meetings are to be held in the KRNT Radio Theater and St. John's Luthran Church. A premium charge has been set up to include coverage for the display booths and regular daily events, as well as the three contemplated special events to be held in the Theater, and the dinner the night of the fifth. The charge does not contemplate coverage for the Iowa Synod in connection with the event to be held at the Fairgrounds October 12.'

"The officers RECOMMEND that the Executive Board authorize their proceeding, on the terms stated above, to take out Public Liability Insurance with the Employers Mutual Casualty Company of Des Moines, Iowa."

The recommendation was adopted.

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report:

"In accordance with the Executive Board's authorization at the June 1950 meeting (Minutes, page 881) a public liability insurance policy covering the ULCA Communion Service at St. John's Lutheran Church, and the convention sessions at KRNT Radio Theater has been secured from the Employers Mutual Casualty Company of Des Moines, Iowa. The policy has been filed with Comptroller Carl A. Warden. The cost of this coverage is $40.00."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

(f) *Special Convention Emphasis.*

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the officers reported as follows:

"The proposed emphasis upon Christian vocations appears to commend itself ever more widely to pastors and laymen. It seems to be especially appropriate in Christian Higher Education Year.

"The Officers RECOMMEND that the theme of the 1950 convention be the CHEY theme: 'Christian Leaders for Tomorrow,' and that the emphasis of the Sunday afternoon mass meeting be on 'Men for the Ministry.' "

The recommendation was adopted.

(g) *Invitation to Hold Convention Communion Service in St. John's Lutheran Church, Des Moines, Iowa*

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the officers reported that the Church had received a most cordial letter from St. John's Lutheran Church, Des Moines, Iowa, inviting the U.L.C.A. to hold its convention communion service in that church. The officers presented the following comment and recommendation:

> "In view of the fact that the Church has received this welcome and warmhearted invitation, and that the size and appointments of St. John's Church,

> Des Moines, are such as to promise a communion service which will be truly edifying,
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> "The officers RECOMMEND that the secretary be instructed to write to the pastors and church council of St. John's congregation accepting their kind invitation and expressing the thanks of the Executive Board for their proffered hospitality."

The recommendation was adopted.

(*h*) *Requests for Special Convention Program Time*

At the meeting of the Executive Board noted below the secretary reported having received special requests from the boards named in the following list for special program time at the 1950 convention of the Church:

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| January | 1950 | The Board of Foreign Missions<br>The Luther League of America |
| (April | 1950 | The Board of Foreign Missions reported a tentative program outline<br>The Board of Pensions and Relief reported a provisional plan for an extra-program breakfast.) |
| June | 1950 | The Board of Deaconess Work |

In the tentative outline of the convention program reported to the Executive Board by the officers (in accordance with U.L.C.A. By-laws, section I, item 3) at the June 1950 meeting, provision was made for granting the requests of the above boards for specific special program time.

(*i*) *Special train*

A special train operating over the Pennsylvania Lines and the Milwaukee Road from New York to the Des Moines convention was arranged by the Committee on Transportation and was under the general direction of the committee's eastern representative, Mr. William H. Patrick.

(*j*) *Convention Photographer*

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary reported as follows:

"Editor G. Elson Ruff, of *The Lutheran*, writing on March 9, 1950 makes the request that Mr. Fred Rochelle, who has served informally as photographer at the Philadelphia, 1948, convention of the U.L.C.A., and has provided picture coverage for the conventions of several of our auxiliaries, be appointed convention photographer for our Des Moines, Iowa, convention. In this capacity Mr. Rochelle would serve *The Lutheran*, the boards and agencies and the U.L.C.A. News Service. The U.L.C.A. would not be expected to pay Mr. Rochelle for his services. 'But,' writes Dr. Ruff, 'the only way this can break even financially for Mr. Rochelle is if he is in a position to offer his prints for sale to the delegates and visitors.' "

The Executive Board took the following action: "Motion made and seconded to give Mr. Fred Rochelle the privilege of taking pictures at the 1950 convention under the direction of the Secretary of the Church and the Editor of *The Lutheran*, and to give him the further privilege of offering prints for sale to delegates and visitors."

The motion carried.

(*k*) *Convention Organist*

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary reported as follows:

"In a series of letters, the Rev. William C. Schaeffer, Jr., President of the Board of American Missions, has graciously suggested the possibility of making available the services of Maestro Guiseppi Moschetti, talented organist and choir director at St. John's

Church, Allentown, Pa., as convention organist. If this arrangement is made, it is hoped to have Mr. Moschetti present several brief recitals in the course of the convention week."

This item was received as information.

*(l) 1950 Convention Displays*

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

> " 'It was moved by the April 4, 1950 meeting of the Committee of Executive Secretaries that the boards and agencies of the Church be requested by the Executive Board, to
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> " 'a. provide displays at the 1950 convention of the Church, and that these displays be of the booth style recommended by the Freeman Decorating Company, and as fully uniform in size, design and color as circumstances allow;
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> " 'b. locate the convention displays mainly along the north wall and the immediately adjoining sections of the east and west walls in the basement of the convention headquarters building, KRNT Radio Theater;
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> " 'c. develop their several display booths in such ways as to focus attention on the cause represented by the display;
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> " 'd. encourage delegates and visitors to come for conferences in booths with executive and other informed personnel of the boards and agencies;
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> " 'e. agree that the bill for these display booths and their furnishings be sent to the comptroller of the Church and be pro-rated by him to the participating boards and agencies in accordance with the size of the booth and the furnishings rented by each. Adopted.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board communicate to the boards and agencies of the Church these suggestions of the Committee of Executive Secretaries regarding 1950 convention displays, requesting their co-operation in these matters."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following recommendation:

"In accordance with the recommendations (p. 780, Item D, (e), April 1950 Executive Board Minutes) concerning the plan for the 1950 convention displays and the bill for the cost thereof to be sent to the comptroller to be pro-rated to the participating boards and agencies, the Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that the treasurer be authorized to pay the bill for the total convention display costs and receive payments from the participating boards and agencies for their proper share of such cost."

The Executive Board adopted the recommendation.

*(m) Minor Changes in Suggested Convention Program*

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report:

"Several minor changes in the suggested program submitted to the Executive Board at the June 1950 meeting were made by the officers in the interest of fuller correlation of convention special events with presentation of related reports, and in the interest of expediting the convention's business.

"Since the June meeting of this Board, agreements to participate in special convention programs have been secured from the Rev. Abdel Ross Wentz who will be master of ceremonies at the program of Friday evening, October 6; the Rev. Harry F. Baughman who will preach at the Deaconess Consecration Service; the Rev. Walter H. Traub who

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will make the address at the Sunday afternoon mass meeting; and the Rev. Paul E. Scherer who will speak at the closing session of the convention."

The Executive Board took the following action concerning this item:

"Moved and seconded that the Executive Board approve the action of the officers in making these minor changes."

The motion was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 13. Invitation from Synods for Future Conventions

At the meetings of the Executive Board listed below the following synods gave notice to the Executive Board of their intention to extend invitations to the U.L.C.A. for conventions in coming biennia:

August 1949, The Synod of Western Canada, for 1954
January 1950, The Canada Synod, for 1954
June 1950, The Synod of Western Canada reaffirmed its invitation for 1954
The Pacific Synod reaffirmed its invitation for 1952
The Synod of Central Pennsylvania, for 1954 or 1956

The above notifications were received by the Executive Board as information with the understanding that all the correspondence related to them would be made available to the 1950 convention's Committee on Place of Next Convention.

### *14. Fuller Information on Nominees to Biennial Conventions. (For action, see pp. 874, 1063, 1064)

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"The United Lutheran Church, at its 1948 convention, adopted the following resolution (Minutes, p. 564):

> " 'We recommend that the Executive Board be requested to study and report to the next biennial convention the possibility of employing a method of nomination for membership on the various elective agencies of the Church whereby delegates will have available reasonably detailed information about nominees, to the end that said delegates may have a sounder basis for voting than at present.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees has reviewed all previous actions of the United Lutheran Church concerning methods of nominations, and has considered carefully what factual information might be supplied to the delegates by the Nominating Committee beyond that which was given at the last convention: name, address, occupation and synod of the nominee, and a list of the present membership of each elective agency identifying the members who are ineligible for re-election.

"Your committee has found itself at a loss to discover how the Nominating Committee could supply any further information concerning the nominee without exercising a value judgment and thereby either betraying a bias or giving rise to suspicion of it. It should be kept in mind that in the By-laws, the Nominating Committee is charged, after exercising its best judgment (even to the possible rejection of the nominees of the elective agencies), to present not one name but two for each vacancy. The Nominating Committee is thereby forbidden even to suggest in any way that one of the two has better qualifications than the other. Under this prohibition, what further information, even if strictly factual, could be given without indicating a preference?

"Furthermore, any possible factual information such as degrees, education, and previous positions held by the nominee might easily overweight, in the mind of the voter, qualifications of the other nominee (or nominees) which are actually more important but which cannot be conveyed by a merely factual recital.

"There is, however, one item which the committee believes could be supplied without offense: indication whether the name is one which the elective agency has presented to the Nominating Committee. It seems to your Committee that this is valuable information. Our elective agencies frequently find special need, for instance, of a lawyer or businessman, or theologian in their work. They now have no opportunity to make their preference known to the convention even if they have told the Nominating Committee, for the latter is compelled to nominate two persons without comment.

"Furthermore, in the past the United Lutheran Church has repeatedly asked that nominees of elective agencies be so designated. At the 1922 convention it was so ordered (Minutes, pp. 212, 472). The wish of the Church was reaffimed in 1924 (Minutes, pp. 52, 53), 1930 (Minutes, pp. 24, 93), 1936 (Minutes, pp. 20, 56), and 1944 (Minutes, p. 64).

"At the 1946 convention the entire method of nominations was reshaped, enlarged, and elaborated by an amendment of the By-laws (Minutes, pp. 127, 234, 332, 334, 597, 662). In the new scheme, nothing was said about starring the names of agency nominations, and therefore the president quite properly stated, 'That, in the future, the source of nominations will not be indicated.' But on the other hand, neither does the new By-law prohibit any indication. For that matter, the new By-law does not provide, either, that information as to the present membership of the agencies, and as to the address, occupation, and synod of the nominee, shall be given; although such information was given at the 1948 convention without objection, and the convention made this request for even more.

"Your Committee on Boards and Committees, therefore, RECOMMENDS that the following resolution be presented to the United Lutheran Church at its next convention.

> "RESOLVED: That the By-laws of the United Lutheran Church be amended by adding to Section V, (c), item 8 the words, 'The ballots shall contain the address, occupation, and synod of each nominee.'" (Amended and adopted. See p. 874)

The recommendation was adopted.

### 15. Statement on World Order

*(a) Special Committee on World Order Statement*

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the president

"RECOMMENDED that the special committee to prepare a statement on world peace (cf. 1948 Executive Board Minutes, p. 424) be reappointed and requested to complete this assignment in accordance with the original instructions.

James F. Henninger, Chairman
Rev. Oscar F. Blackwelder"

The recommendation was adopted by the Board.

*(b) Progress Report*

At the same meeting of the Executive Board, under the heading "Miscellaneous Items," the following progress report is made concerning the Statement on World Order:

"A statement entitled 'The United Lutheran Church in America Speaks on World Order' was submitted for the consideration of the Executive Board, but not for final action. The committee is to present a revised statement at a later meeting of the board."

*(c) The Statement on World Order Adopted*

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the following statement on World Order was adopted:

### "THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA SPEAKS ON WORLD ORDER

"In the face of new alarms and fresh fears, the Church of Jesus Christ must seek in faith and hope to find the way to achieve God's purposes in human society. In this task, the Word of God is the source of our convictions. We place our reliance upon Jesus Christ as Leader and Guide.

"As Christians, we must seek to meet our responsibilities to our fellow men, the whole of human society; because of human limitations of judgment, we may not always be agreed as to the procedures to be followed. This statement does not propose to dictate to Christians; but, because the common witness of the Church is an important guide to the individual conscience, we here present certain principles to impress Christians with their heavy responsibility for world order.

### "I. *Christian Principles*

"1. THE SOVEREIGN GOD IS THE LOVING FATHER OF ALL MEN AND OF ALL NATIONS.

No nation stands outside God's Law, nor can any nation rightfully demand man's highest allegiance. Human action, if it is to help toward peace among men, must conform to God's righteous will.

"2. AS CHRISTIANS, WE ARE FURTHER MOVED BY THE COMPULSION OF LOVE FOR OUR FELLOW MEN.

We must do good to our fellow men and we must avoid policies harmful to any of them, not only from a sense of duty but because we would help and not harm those we love.

"3. UNDER GOD'S GUIDANCE, MEN HAVE THE POWER TO SEEK PEACE; SELF-WILLED, THEY WAY OPPOSE PEACE.

Our God-given aspirations are often corrupted by pride, selfishness and a desire for power. Because there is redemption in Christ, we have hope for peace. So long as sin remains, however, any peace that is attained will continue to be a precarious peace.

"4. WAR IS EVIL AT ITS ROOTS AND IN ITS FRUITS.

Although Christians differ as to their right to participate in existing war, there is no disagreement as to its evil sources and effects. War inevitably tends to corrupt both victor and vanquished. In its destruction of life and property and in its still more serious damage to morals and spiritual ideals, war increasingly menaces Christian character and the Christian way of life. The Christian, therefore, seeks war's abolition, seeing in every war a violation of the spirit and teachings of Jesus. To prevent wars, the Christian hopes, prays and strives for effective peaceful means of settling international disputes and difficulties.

"5. GOD'S LOVE FOR ALL MEN IMPLIES A WORLD-WIDE COMMUNITY IN WHICH EACH MAN SEEKS THE GOOD OF ALL.

God has made of one blood all the peoples of the earth. Christ's command of neighbor-love may not be limited to community or nation. It involves obligations which are world-wide. Only under the constraint of love for all men may the Christian determine his attitude to world problems.

"6. THE CHRISTIAN IS CHARGED WITH A DUTY TO MAINTAIN AND PROMOTE THE WELFARE OF SOCIETY.

Since God wills to rule His earthly realm, and since the presence of His Holy Spirit alone prevents it from falling into chaos, every Christian is constrained in Christ to serve his neighbor, to defend the good and to overcome evil.

"7. THERE IS NO PLACE FOR DISCOURAGEMENT, FOR OUR CONFIDENCE RESTS IN GOD.

There can be no assurance that our efforts will bring peace in our time. This generation seems destined to live in the midst of turmoil and contention. Nevertheless, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. Our hope is in Christ. With Him is the victory and in Him we trust. He maketh wars to cease.

"II. *Christian Action*

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"Christianity under God must make its contribution to a just and peaceful world order through the Church.

"THE CHURCH OUGHT:

"1. Promote righteousness, justice and peace in the world by inspiring and aiding each Christian to live Christ's Gospel ever more fully in his world relationships.

"2. Recognize that Christian discipleship in all nations holds the greatest promise for international peace.

"3. Redouble its efforts toward bringing Christ to non-Christian individuals in all parts of the world. Countries which may be keys to international war or peace should especially receive our intercession and evangelistic efforts. No nation should be neglected on the ground of its hostility, resistance or indifference.

"4. Extend Christian fellowship, love and ministration to all those who accept military service as their duty and to those who hold it their duty to refuse any participation in war.

"5. Provide adequate materials for study concerning Christian attitudes, responsibilities and activities in world affairs and stimulate their effective use. The Church may help its members to evaluate practical proposals, but it must reserve to its members the final decision whether such proposals tend to accomplish Christian ends.

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"Christianity under God must make its contribution to a just and peaceful world order through the efforts of individual Christians.

"THE CHRISTIAN OUGHT:

"1. Examine himself first and confess contritely his own sins of pride, hate, greed, envy, fear and selfishness—those sins which on a world scale cause war.

"2. Strive to overcome scorn, hatred and bitterness toward other nations and peoples.

"3. Forgive for Christ's sake the sins of our fellow men of other nations. This does not preclude reasonable safeguards against threats of future aggression or punishment of individual offenders against recognized laws. It does forbid retaliation or vengeance.

"4. Learn all he can about the peoples of all lands so that he may the better understand and appreciate them and may the more graciously manifest Christian brotherhood toward them.

"5. Aid, through relief and rehabilitation, those at home and abroad who suffer from the effects of war and welcome into the fellowship of our own congregations those Christians whose backgrounds and customs may be strange to our communities.

"6. Oppose in the spirit of Christ every type of fanatical nationalism or internationalism which seeks to make allegiance to the state or to a materialistic program man's supreme obligation. We should be on the alert to oppose anti-Christian tendencies in our own land as well as in other parts of the world.

"7. Support only such proposals for effecting a peaceful world order as conform to Christian principles. If proposals meet this test, they may then be examined for their practical soundness and possibility of acceptance.

"8. Recognize the United Nations as our existing instrument for world order. It is a man-made institution; it is not perfect. Despite all jealousies, misgivings and fears, it has accomplished much good and is capable of much greater good. We should seek, by every possible means to uphold its hands in the hope that it may become a more effective world organization guided by Christian principles.

> "9. Put his whole trust in the grace of God and the redemptive power of the Gospel."

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"The statement on world order, as presented by the committee, was considered seriatim. After thorough discussion, during which certain changes in the text were agreed upon, the Executive Board adopted the statement as a whole. The statement 'The United Lutheran Church in America Speaks on World Order' is given above in its final form." Concerning the statement the Executive Board took the following actions:

"It was moved and carried that a copy of this statement be sent to the Commission of the Churches for International Affairs, joint agency of the World Council of Churches and the International Missionary Council.

"It was also moved and carried that this statement be included in the permanent materials for the *Pastor's Desk Book.*"

(d) *Distribution of Statement on World Order*

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary reported as follows concerning the distribution of the World Order Statement above:

"The Executive Board, at its April 21-22, 1949 meeting, directed that a copy of the Statement on World Order, adopted at that meeting, 'be sent to the World Council of Churches' Commission of the Churches for International Affairs.'

"Accordingly the following letter was sent to (the then) Senator John Foster Dulles on May 20, 1949. (Copies were mailed to Drs. O. Frederick Nolde and Walter VanKirk.)

> " 'At the April 21-22, 1949 meeting of the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America, the enclosed statement was adopted. It is now being distributed to the pastors of the 4,124 congregations of this Church in the United States and Canada, for inclusion in the permanent materials filed in their *Pastor's Desk Book.*
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> " 'As you may know, our Church is not given to issuing statements. This is only the third pronouncement on this general subject which we have released in the last thirty years. It has been under consideration by the Executive Board for the better part of a year. Representing the meeting point of fifteen minds it of necessity includes some compromises. But as you showed us so convincingly at Cleveland several years ago, when the *ideal* and the *real* reach toward each other the former is not required to lose its purity nor the latter its strength.
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> " 'At the time of the adoption of the statement, several members of the Board pointed out that there is much in it which you and your colleagues, Drs. O. Frederick Nolde and Walter VanKirk have been saying to all of Christendom for over a decade. The Board, in token of its gratitude to you and your aides, has directed that the first copy of this statement circulated beyond the membership of our Church should go to *you.*
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> " 'It is with quickening joy and satisfaction that I carry out the Executive Board's mandate.
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> " 'Cordially yours,
> " '/s/ F. Eppling Reinartz, Secretary'

"The Executive Board directed also that the World Order statement should 'be included in the permanent materials for the *Pastor's Desk Book.*' (Minutes, Executive

Board, p. 271) The *Pastor's Desk Book* mailing of May, 1949 took the statement to all U.L.C.A. pastors eligible to receive such mailings.

"The Board of Social Missions is offering the statement to our congregations on the following terms: 10 copies free; quantities, $3.00 a hundred. The first page of the statement in printed form designates it as 'a statement adopted by the Executive Board and endorsed by the Board of Social Missions.' The Board of Social Missions edition also includes a list of study helps and sources. Six thousand copies were printed.

"The World Order statement got favorable news notice throughout the continent. The New York **Times** made generous reference to it twice. The Los Angeles **Times** featured it on page one. One reason for the wide attention given the statement was that the wire services in preparing their release made it appear as though paragraph II, A, 3 meant that the U.L.C.A. was going to send an evangelism task force eastward through the 'iron curtain' immediately. Other stories stressed in their 'lead' the statement's favorable attitude toward the United Nations, while still others focused on the paragraph which said the Church ought 'extend Christian fellowship, love and ministration to all those who accept military service as their duty and to those who hold it their duty to refuse any participation in war.'

This item was received as information.

(e) *Executive Board Statement on World Order Approved and Distributed by Board of Social Missions*

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"From the minutes of the Board of Social Missions, April 28, 1949, page 14:

> " 'We recommend that the Board of Social Missions approve the statement entitled: 'The United Lutheran Church Speaks on World Order' for publication jointly by the Executive Board and the Board of Social Missions.'

"Your Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board note with appreciation the approval of the statement by the Board of Social Missions and authorize its appearance over the names of both boards."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 16. Remonstrance to Department of State Regarding Vatican Representation

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the president presented the following report:

"Reliable word was received early in March that the President of the United States had referred to the Department of State the question of the possible establishment of an official embassy or legation at the Vatican.

"The President of the United Lutheran Church promptly sent the following vigorous remonstrance to the Secretary of State in concert with thousands of other Protestants, including many of the presidents of our own constituent synods:

" 'March 10, 1950

" 'The Honorable Dean Acheson
The Secretary of State
Washington, D. C.

" 'My dear Mr. Secretary:

" 'The United Lutheran Church in America, including over 1,800,000 United States citizens, wishes to register through me, its president, its intense and determined opposition to the establishment by the United States of any diplomatic relations with the Vatican.

" 'This is one issue on which I am certain that I speak with the voice of all of our huge and diverse constituency. On other issues we United Lutherans can be expected to differ among ourselves as free American citizens normally do. We are unanimous and vehement in opposition to a legation or embassy at the Vatican.

" 'Our Church has been incensed at the irregular and disingenuous manner in which Mr. Myron Taylor was appointed as a personal representative of the President of the United States to His Holiness, the Pope. This entire episode has been offensive to us as individual Americans and as a Church living in this nation. The American principle of the separation of Church and State is vitiated if it does not forbid a specially favored position being given to one Church in comparison with others. Diplomatic representation at the Vatican would clearly not be in recognition of a minute, secular state of a few hundred acres; it would be immediately apparent to all Americans that such representation was being extended to the Roman Catholic Church as a religious organization.

" 'I feel myself compelled to use forthright language in order to convey to you how strong the feelings of the clergy and laity of The United Lutheran Church in America are regarding any proposal of this type. Please do not misinterpret the directness of my speech as implying any lack of courtesy or respect.

" 'Sincerely yours,

signed: " 'Franklin Clark Fry
The United Lutheran Church in America."

This item was received as information.

(For 1950 resolutions of National Lutheran Council on U.S.A. representation at the Vatican see VII, A, 35, p. 366, of this report.)

### 17. Statement on the Use of Public Funds for Support of Parochial Schools

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Committee on Boards and Committees presented the following report and recommendation:

"The Parish and Church School Board at its December 1949 meeting adopted the following:

" 'That, in view of the determined attempts to authorize the use of public funds for the support of parochial schools, and in view of the fact that the Parish and Church School Board believes that guidance should be given our people for intelligent action as citizens, the Parish and Church School Board requests that the Executive Board address a suitable statement on this matter to our congregations through their pastors.'

"The Committee on Boards and Committees RECOMMEND that the Executive Board authorize the president to appoint a committee of two to prepare a statement setting forth this Board's opposition to the use of public funds for the support of parochial schools, and that if it meets with the approval of the officers of the Church, the officers be instructed to release it at their discretion."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

"The President appointed the Hon. Charles B. Zimmerman and Dr. O. K. Jensen as the committee of two to prepare this statement."

The statement was submitted to the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board. The consensus was that the statement should be reserved for a time when its publication would have the greatest effectiveness.

### 18. Conference on "The United States in World Affairs"—Appointment to

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the president presented the following report:

"By the courtesy of the Director of the Office of Public Affairs to the United States Department of State, President Fry was invited to participate in a National Conference on 'The United States in World Affairs' on March 29-31, 1950. Since the President of the Church was unable to attend this conference, he was permitted to appoint a substitute in the person of the Rev. C. Franklin Koch."

This item was received as information.

### 19. National Conference on the United Nations—Representation at

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the president reported as information the following item:

"By courtesy of the Department of State of the United States of America, the United Lutheran Church was invited to be represented at a National Conference on the United Nations on January 14, 1949 in Washington, D. C. The Rev. C. Franklin Koch was appointed to participate in this conference."

The above item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 20. National Conference on American Foreign Policy—Appointment to

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the president reported as follows:

"By courtesy of the Department of State of the United States Government, the United Lutheran Church was invited to designate a representative to a National Conference on American Foreign Policy on March 17-18, 1949 at the State Department building in Washington. 'This conference,' according to the invitation, 'will be for the leaders of national organizations and will be devoted to the discusson of current aspects and problems of American foreign policy. The general purpose of the conference will be to discuss our political and economic relations with other areas of the world and to provide organization leaders with an opportunity to comment on various foreign policy problems.'

The Rev. Harold C. Letts, secretary for social action of the Board of Social Missions, was selected as the U.L.C.A. attendant."

This item was received as information.

### 21. Second National Conference: United States National Commission for UNESCO, Appointment to

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board, President Fry's report continued:

"Secretary Harold C. Letts was likewise appointed to sit in the second national conference of the United States Commission for UNESCO (United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization) at Cleveland, Ohio, March 31—April 2, 1949. This conference, as authorized by the law creating the United States National Commission, was 'planned to give information on UNESCO's current program and on the work being done by organizations, institutions, communities and individuals in the United States in support of that program and to stimulate further activity in the next two years.' The United Lutheran Church was extended permission to appoint from one to three representatives."

This item was received as information.

### 22. Request from First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, St. Joseph, Missouri, for Clarification of Terms in Its Constitution

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the officers made the following report:

"In a letter of January 18, 1949, addressed to the secretary by the Rev. Reno R. Frobenius, pastor of First English Evangelical Lutheran Church, St. Joseph, Missouri, he made request, on behalf of Park Bank, St. Joseph, Missouri, for clarification of certain terms in the constitution of his congregation. The bank's examination of the congregation's constitution was made in connection with negotiations for a mortgage.

"Following is the letter written in response to this request:

"'February 1, 1949

"'Park Bank
St. Joseph
Missouri

"'Gentlemen:

"'This letter will certify to you that the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States is the "branch" of The United Lutheran Church in America referred to in the following quotation from the constitution of the First English Evangelical Lutheran Church of St. Joseph, Missouri:

> "'"This Church is, and always shall be, under and subject to authority, government and control of the UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA, or its successors, if any, and if at any time this Church should cease to exist, fail to elect officers or change its ecclesiastical relations contrary to the provisions of this constitution, the title to its property shall pass to and vest in whatever branch of The United Lutheran Church in America is or shall be designated by that body to control, manage and dispose of said property."

"'It is further certified that the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States, or its successors, if any, is the one and only "branch" of The United Lutheran Church in America to which to title of the property of the First English Evangelical Lutheran Church in St. Joseph, Missouri can revert should that church "cease to exist, fail to elect officers, or change its ecclesiastical relations contrary to the provisions of" its constitution.

"'The United Lutheran Church in America, as such, does not hold title to properties of congregations which are members of its constituent synods. It follows, therefore, that The United Lutheran Church in America, as such, will at no time claim any right, title or interest in the property of the First English Evangelical Lutheran Church in St. Joseph, Missouri.

"'Sincerely yours,

"'Sworn and subscribed to before me this first day of February, 1949.

"'Franklin Clark Fry, President
The United Lutheran Church
in America
SEAL

Notary Public

"'F. Eppling Reinartz, Secretary
The United Lutheran Church
in America'"

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This item was received as information.

### 23. Revision of Model Constitution for Congregations, and for Synods

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the officers reported as follows:

(*a*) *For Congregations*

"The U.L.C.A.'s Model Constitution for Congregations has been out of print for several weeks. The demand for this instrument is insistent, continual and important. The officers believe that no new printing should be made until certain corrections and changes are made by the Executive Board in this suggested constitution. Until this can be done, mimeographed copies of the constitution are being supplied to congregations requesting it.

"The officers RECOMMEND that the Executive Board empower them to study the Model Constitution for Congregations and submit recommendations concerning revisions to the next meeting of the Board."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

The officers reported progress in this assignment from time to time.

At the June 1950 meeting they reported as follows:

"Good progress has been made in the revision of the so-called 'model' constitution for congregations since the last meeting of the Executive Board. All the revisions suggested by the presidents of U.L.C.A. synods have now been carefully considered and many of their suggestions have been incorporated into the proposed revisions. There remains before us the task of correlating the proposed revisions in the 'model' constitution for synods with those proposed in the 'model' constitution for congregations."

This item was received as information.

(*b*) *For Synods*

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the officers reported the following:

"The new procedure for reviewing proposed amendments to the constitutions of synods has required frequent references to the U.L.C.A.'s Model Constitution for Constituent Synods. These have served to prove the need for study and revision of this instrument also.

"The officers RECOMMEND that the Executive Board request its Committee on Constituent Synods to study the U.L.C.A.'s Model Constitution for Constituent Synods and submit recommendations concerning revisions to the next meeting of the board."

This recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

The Committee on Constituent Synods reported on this assignment at the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board as follows:

"Two one-day meetings, June 24 and December 9, have been held by the Committee reviewing the model constitution for synods. Changes have been made in the first eight articles of the constitution. One additional meeting of the Committee should be sufficient to complete the preliminary revision."

This item was received as information.

### 24. Reports of the Lutheran Historical Society, and the Lutheran Church Book and Literature Society

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report and recommendations:

"For several biennia the activities of the Lutheran Historical Society and the Lutheran Church Book and Literature Society have been of only minor importance. The officers in planning the suggested program for the 1950 convention of the Church thought it unnecessary to include these two societies in the list of agencies reporting to the convention. However, the officers think it well for these agencies to be given the opportunity to report biennially to the Executive Board which would in turn transmit their reports to the convention as a part of the Report of the Executive Board.

"The Officers Recommend that the proper executives of The Lutheran Historical Society, and The Lutheran Church Book and Literature Society be requested to report the activities of these agencies to the Executive Board at least biennially."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 25. Proposed "Purpose Clause" in Charter of Ohio Congregation

"The secretary of the U.L.C.A. referred to the Legal Committee a proposed purpose clause in the charter of an Ohio congregation as follows:

> " 'The purposes for which said corporation is formed are providing a place of worship for its members and conducting the same according to the rules, regulations, customs and practices of *The United Lutheran Church in America;* promoting the cause of the Christian religion and the interests of said church; receiving, holding and disbursing gifts, bequests and funds arising from other sources; owning and maintaining suitable real estate and buildings and doing any and all things necessary or incident to any thereof.'

"The Legal Committee recommended that for clarity the word 'doctrine' should be incorporated in the purpose clause before the word 'rules'. The Ohio congregation accepted our rceommendation.

"The recomemndation is not to be construed as the setting up of a model purpose clause for either Ohio or other Lutheran congregations."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 26. "Crusade for Freedom"

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the president presented the following report:

"Most of the large religious bodies in the United States, Protestant, Catholic and Jewish, are actively supporting the 'Crusade for Freedom' which is now in progress. This movement is designed to be 'a roll call of all Americans who love Freedom.' Its two principal objectives are the securing of millions of signatures to a 'Declaration of Freedom' and of millions of small gifts from the freedom-loving American public. The 'Declaration of Freedom' which citizens are being invited to sign, reads as follows:

> " 'I believe in the sacredness and dignity of the individual.
> I believe that all men derive the right to freedom equally from God.
> I pledge to resist aggression and tyranny wherever they appear on earth.
>
> " 'I am proud to enlist in the Crusade for Freedom.
> I am proud to help make the Freedom Bell possible, to be a signer of this Declaration of Freedom, to have my name included as a permanent part of the Freedom Shrine in Berlin, and to join with the millions of men and women throughout the world who hold the cause of freedom sacred.'

"The gifts will help to support 'Radio Free Europe,' an unofficial spokesman for religious faith and freedom to nations which have now been deprived of their freedom. This fund will be administered and 'Radio Free Europe' is being maintained by the National Committee for a Free Europe, headed by former Ambassador Joseph C. Grew.

"The United Lutheran Church, in company with all other religious groups, is being urgently pressed to permit the use of the mailing list of our ministers for the distribution of an appeal to all our congregations to provide facilities for the signing of the 'Declaration of Freedom' and for voluntary contributions in the vestibules of the churches on Sunday, October 8th. The 'Crusade for Freedom' requests also that a letter of commendation from the President of the Church accompany this mailing.

"The Roman Catholics, the Synagogue Council of the Jews and the Protestant Episcopal Church have already agreed to similar requests. There is every prospect that Methodists, Presbyterians, Congregationalists, Disciples of Christ and others will also do so.

"Christians of all creeds in Berlin have financed the erection of a bell tower which will house a ten-ton freedom bell which is to be rung for the first time on United Nations Day, October 24th. The signed declarations of freedom will be deposited in this tower.

"The president asks what action, if any, the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church wishes to take in this matter."

It was moved and seconded "that, in the expectation that the 'Crusade for Freedom' will circularize the pastors of the United Lutheran Church in the United States regarding this plan, the president be authorized to write a circular letter to all pastors of our Church in the United States setting forth the general approval of the majority of the individual members of this Board of the 'Crusade for Freedom' but making clear that the policy of the Church prevents official endorsement of any movement which is not exclusively Christian and churchly in its character."

The motion was adopted by the Executive Board.

### 27. Request of Maryland Synod for Study of Possible Amendment to U.L.C.A. Constitution, Making It Possible for Certain Officers to Become Ex-Officio Delegates to the Biennial Conventions of the Church

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the following report was presented by the Committee on Constituent Synods:

"Under date of July 18, 1950, Secretary John C. Stuff of the Maryland Synod transmitted to Secretary Reinartz the following action of that Synod at its 1950 convention:

> " 'That the Maryland Synod request the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church in America to consider the possibility and feasibility of making constitutional provision that the officers of the U.L.C.A. and the presidents of the several boards of the U.L.C.A. be, by virtue of their positions, delegates to U.L.C.A. conventions and be not listed as synodical delegates.' "

"The Committee on Constituent Synods believes that the reply of the Executive Board to this request should have the following content:

"After a careful study of this suggestion of the Maryland Synod, the Executive Board is of the conviction that a constitutional provision of the type which is proposed would be contrary to the underlying polity and theory of organization of the United Lutheran Church and so would be undesirable.

"The basic concept of the United Lutheran Church is as a union of synods. Article III, Section 6, of the Constitution of our Church specifies that 'Congregations representatively constituting the various synods may elect delegates through those synods to represent them in a general body.' Article IV defines the membership of the United Lutheran Church as comprising 'the congregations that compose the evangelical Lutheran synods' which had been in connection with the predecessor general bodies plus any evangelical Lutheran synod which would apply for admission and would be accepted into membership at a later time. Article V stipulates how many delegates each constituent synod shall be 'entitled to' in the conventions of the Church.

"In every delegate body, it is a sound axiom that only members should be represented by delegates. This is right and just since the decisions of a convention are binding upon the members. The majority which effects the enactment of any resolution must always be a majority of the representatives of the members themselves or the democratic principle and indeed equity are violated.

"The organizational structure of the United Lutheran Church has often been popularly compared, with reservations, to the governmental structure of a nation which is composed of states or provinces. No parliament or congress of such a nation can consistently include ex-officio membership, not even for the president, prime minister or cabinet members. Any constitutional provision to give the officers of the Church and the presidents of the boards status as ex-officio delegates to Church conventions separate and apart from the synodical delegations would vitiate the representative principle.

"A proposal of this character would imply that the central organization of the United Lutheran Church and its boards constitute independent elements in our Church in some way parallel to the synods. Presumably the Officers of the Church and the presidents of the boards would represent such a separate life and entity in the conventions of the Church. This idea is at variance with the true nature of our United Lutheran Church.

"The Committee on Constituent Synods RECOMMENDS that the Executive Board adopt the above minute as its reply to the request of the Maryland Synod."

The recommendation was adopted by the Executive Board.

## X. MATTERS REFERRED

"(1) Final approval of Constitution of Evangelical Lutheran Church in Liberia. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 21, 134) Referred to Committee on Constituent Synods.

See V, B, 43, (a), p. 208 of this report.

"(2) Effectuating proposals of Committee on Faith and Life. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 300-308, 338, 339) Referred to president.

See IX, 2, (a), p. 514 of this report.

"(3) Appointment of expediter for Faith and Life proposals. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 308, 338, 339) Referred to president.

See IX, 2, (a), p. 514 of this report.

"(4) Appointment of Committee on Faith and Life for 1949-1950. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 339) No assignment.

See IX, 2, (b), p. 527 of this report.

"(5) Organization of Department of Church Architecture including nomination of staff. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 321-325, 345) Referred to officers.

See VI, C, vi, 1, p. 276 of this report. NOTE: Staff yet to be nominated.

"(6) Appointment of Consulting Committee of Department of Church Architecture. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 323, 345) No assignment.

See VI, C, vi, 1, p. 276 of this report.

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"(7) Budget of Department of Church Architecture. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 324, 345) Referred to Finance Committee.

See VI, C, vi, 8, p. 283 of this report.

"(8) Nomination of Assistant to the President. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 59, 346) Referred to president.

See I, 7, (h), p. 81 of this report.

"(9) Proposal regarding provision of an endowment of at least $100,000 for Knubel-Miller Lectures. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 352) Referred to Finance Committee.

See III, 15, (b), p. 126 of this report.

"(10) Possible designation of an agency to counsel congregations in financing building projects. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 446) Referred to Committee on Boards and Committees.

See VI, C, vi, 3, p. 278 of this report.

"(11) Restudy of method of nomination for election to U.L.C.A. boards and agencies in light of desire for more detailed informaton regarding names. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 564) Referred to Committee on Boards and Committees.

See IX, 14, p. 554 of this report.

"(12) Formulation of new U.L.C.A. by-law replacing Common Service Book Committee with a new committee or commission on worship. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 428, 582) Referred to Committee on Boards and Committees.

See VI, C, v, 1, p. 275 of this report.

"(13) Review of amendments to synodical constitutions. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 650-652) Referred to Committee on Constituent Synods.

See V, A, 1, p. 179 of this report.

"(14) Printing of meditations and prayers at 1948 convention. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 689) Referred to officers.

See IX, 11, (b), p. 546 of this report.

"(15) Joint promotion of circulation of *The Lutheran*. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 694) Referred to officers.

See IX, 3, p. 534 of this report.

"(16) Challenge to equal 1948 apportioned benevolence in 1949. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 743) Referred to officers in co-operation with stewardship secretary.

See III, 20, (c), p. 139 of this report.

"(17) Statement asking restudy of NCCCUSA Constitution by executive heads of member churches. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 748, 749) Referred to Committee on Interdenominational Relationships.

See VIII, D, 1, p. 439 of this report.

"(18) Study of percentage of U.L.C.A. budget properly placed in Part II. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 767) Referred to Finance Committee.

See III, 33, (c), p. 163 of this report.

"(19) Printing and distribution of 1948 minutes. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 768) Referred to officers.

Upon recommendation of the officers at its meeting January 1949, the Executive Board ordered the printing and distribution of 4,800 copies of the "Minutes of the Sixteenth Biennial Convention of the Church."

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### NEW OR CONTINUED RESPONSIBILITIES LAID UPON EXECUTIVE BOARD BY 1948 CONVENTION

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the president reported the following responsibilities given the Executive Board by the 1948 convention of the Church:

"(20) *Financial duties*

"(a) Appropriations to provide added pension benefits in 1950-1951. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 103, 336).

See III, 20, (a) & (d), pp. 135-143 of this report.

"(b) Appropriations for assistant to president from Part II of budget. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 59, 346).

See I, 7, (f), p. 80 of this report.

"(c) Advance for CHEY appeal. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 355, 357, 358, 524).

See VI, B, iv, 1, (c), p. 228 of this report.

"(d) Proposed subsidy for *Kirchliches Monatsblatt.* (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 751).

See III, 20, (a) & (d), pp. 135-144 of this report.

"(e) Instruction to give equitable consideration to all boards and agencies for appropriations from Part II of the 1949 budget. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 767).

See III, 33, (c), p. 163 of this report.

"(f) Instruction to set aside $17,500 a year in biennial convention fund from 1948 through 1951. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 767).

See III, 20, (a) & (d), pp. 135-143 of this report.

"(g) Revision of budgets of 1950 and 1951 in light of changing conditions after full consultations. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 92, 742).

"(h) Distribution of Part II receipts in 1950-51 after consultation with Allocation Commission. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 92, 472).

Distributions to be made at January 1951 and January 1952 meetings of the Executive Board.

"(21) *Other responsibilities*

"(a) Review of all proposed new positions on executive staffs of boards. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 140, 337).

See VI, B, iii, 3, pp. 219-221; VI, B, x, 1, pp. 263-267 of this report.

"(b) Ad interim concurrence in or objection to amendments to constitution of Lutheran World Federation if no convention of the Church will occur within one year after adoption. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, pp. 231, 344).

"(c) Review of recommendations regarding merger of church papers. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 694).

See IX, 4, p. 538 of this report.

"(d) Review of all proposed new periodicals of boards, agencies and auxiliaries. (1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 694)."

See VI, D, iii, 3, p. 319 of this report.

The Executive Board received as information the above list of duties and responsibilities.

# XI. LUTHERAN CHURCH HOUSE

EXHIBIT "A"

## 1. Lutheran Church House

### Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 |
|---|---|---|
| *Receipts:* | | |
| Contributions for maintenance and office service: (Schedule I) | | |
| The Executive Board: | | |
| Administrative fund | $10,383.23 | $ 9,591.79 |
| Stewardship fund | 32,256.23 | 28,271.64 |
| The Board of American Missions | 8,149.41 | 8,519.01 |
| The Board of Foreign Missions | 6,939.44 | 7,131.50 |
| The Board of Social Missions | 3,112.09 | 2,904.93 |
| National Lutheran Council | 18,708.13 | 20,696.41 |
| The United Lutheran Synod of New York | 4,153.02 | 4,135.04 |
| Other | 1,099.96 | 135.70 |
| | $84,801.51 | $81,386.02 |
| The Board of Publications, appropriation for interest on mortgage | 6,000.00 | .... |
| Part II Apportionment for interest on loan | 250.00 | .... |
| Total receipts | $91,051.51 | $81,386.02 |

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 |
|---|---|---|
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| Salaries: | | |
| Church House | $14,178.88 | $12,890.24 |
| Office service | 9,266.31 | 10,915.07 |
| Temporary help | 5,706.77 | 3,354.63 |
| Gas, electric, steam and water | 4,756.19 | 4,396.07 |
| Postage and express | 17,521.32 | 16,529.66 |
| Telephone | 8,060.99 | 7,327.22 |
| Telegraph | 939.46 | 740.09 |
| Supplies | 624.13 | 669.93 |
| Services | 3,228.23 | 3,106.04 |
| Stationery and printing | 2,328.40 | 947.50 |
| Repairs, painting, etc. | 632.75 | 2,872.52 |
| Packing and shipping | 457.23 | 630.44 |
| Furniture and equipment | 496.74 | 1,446.56 |
| Interest | 5,947.26 | 4,779.46 |
| Contribution to depreciation reserve fund | 4,500.00 | 4,500.00 |
| Pension contributions | 474.63 | 303.77 |
| Audit | 50.00 | 50.00 |
| Insurance | 1,165.31 | 2,738.11 |
| Contribution to The United Lutheran Church in America, reduction of Church House debt | 6,000.00 | .... |
| Miscellaneous | 418.59 | 550.21 |
| Advances for hospitalization | 16.84 | .... |
| Total disbursements | $86,770.03 | $78,747.52 |

| *Summary:* | | |
|---|---|---|
| Cash balance, beginning of year | $ 4,625.68 | $ 1,987.18 |
| Receipts | 91,051.51 | 81,386.02 |
| | $95,677.19 | $83,373.20 |
| Disbursements | 86,770.03 | 78,747.52 |
| Cash balance, ending of year | $ 8,907.16 | $ 4,625.68 |
| Held at: | | |
| Corn Exchange Bank Trust Company, New York, New York | $ 8,882.16 | $ 4,600.68 |
| Cash fund on hand | 25.00 | 25.00 |
| | $ 8,907.16 | $ 4,625.68 |

NOTE—Included in the balance at June 30, 1950 are funds held for normal repairs and redecorating to be disbursed during the latter half of 1950.

## Contributions for Maintenance and Office Service

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | Total | Maintenance | Telephone and Telegraph | Postage and Miscellaneous | Office Service |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950:* | | | | | |
| Executive Board: | | | | | |
| Administrative fund | $10,383.23 | $ 6,106.20 | $1,153.51 | $ 713.45 | $ 2,410.07 |
| Stewardship fund | 32,256.23 | 3,007.56 | 827.97 | 692.33 | 27,728.37 |
| The Board of American Missions | 8,149.41 | 7,590.00 | 484.15 | 46.53 | 28.73 |
| The Board of Foreign Missions | 6,939.44 | 5,768.40 | 957.19 | 170.74 | 43.11 |
| The Board of Social Missions | 3,112.09 | 2,443.92 | 313.25 | 42.01 | 312.91 |
| National Lutheran Council | 18,708.13 | 11,340.00 | 2,829.57 | 451.98 | 4,086.58 |
| The United Lutheran Synod of New York | 4,153.02 | 2,972.86 | 1,146.59 | 33.57 | .... |
| Other | 1,099.96 | .... | 390.08 | 131.00 | 578.88 |
| Total | $84,801.51 | $39,228.94 | $8,102.31 | $2,281.61 | $35,188.65 |
| *July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949:* | | | | | |
| Executive Board: | | | | | |
| Administrative fund | $ 9,591.79 | $ 5,708.70 | $1,171.36 | $ 205.97 | $ 2,505.76 |
| Stewardship fund | 28,271.64 | 3,007.56 | 467.54 | 1,489.82 | 23,306.72 |
| The Board of American Missions | 8,519.01 | 7,987.50 | 511.62 | 9.57 | 10.32 |
| The Board of Foreign Missions | 7,131.50 | 5,768.40 | 1,157.25 | 144.29 | 61.56 |
| The Board of Social Missions | 2,904.93 | 2,443.92 | 254.58 | 56.65 | 149.78 |
| National Lutheran Council | 20,696.41 | 11,340.00 | 3,137.31 | 421.10 | 5,798.00 |
| The United Lutheran Synod of New York | 4,135.04 | 3,243.12 | 878.08 | 11.59 | 2.25 |
| Other | 135.70 | .... | 55.45 | 1.00 | 79.25 |
| Total | $81,386.02 | $39,499.20 | $7,633.19 | $2,339.99 | $31,913.64 |

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## Accountant's Certificate

Lutheran Church House
New York, New York

We have examined the accounts of the Manager of the Lutheran Church House of The United Lutheran Church in America for the biennium July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying statement of cash receipts and disbursements presents fairly the results of the operations of the Lutheran Church House for the biennium July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950 in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding biennium.

Tait, Weller & Baker
*Certified Public Accountants*

New York, New York
July 15, 1950

**2. Auditor's Report adopted.** (See p. 1046)

**3. Mortgage on Lutheran Church House Property Given to Board of Pensions and Relief**

The Executive Board at its January 1949 meeting transferred the mortgage on the Lutheran Church House to the Board of Pensions and Relief by means of the following action:

"The mortgage on the Church House property, dated January 14, 1944, was originally in the principal amount of $200,000, bearing a 2 per cent per annum interest rate, and carried a provision that the principal shall not be callable in less than 5 years (page 102, 1944 convention Minutes) and that The United Lutheran Church in America shall have the option of paying any amount on the principal at any interest paying date. (page 103, 1944 convention Minutes) The mortgage has been held by the Board of Publication as mortgagee for five years, during which term the principal has been reduced by $50,000 and the interest paid. Concerning the willingness of the Board of Publication to assume this obligation, the following is a quotation from the Executive Board Minutes of October 14, 1943:

> "'The Board of Publication was extremely considerate and co-operative in their consideration of this matter, and are entitled to an expression of our appreciation.' (page 102, 1944 convention Minutes)

"'The present business requirements of the Board of Publication do not permit them to extend the time for holding this mortgage. (Minutes, Executive Board, September 1948, 687) The Executive Board has, therefore, given the Board of Pensions and Relief the opportunity to hold this mortgage as an investment, with the following terms:

> "Term—15 years
> Principal Amount—$150,000 to be amortized at the rate of $10,000 annually
> Interest—4 per cent per annum payable semiannually

"The attorneys for the Board of Pensions and Relief have drawn up an agreement embodying the above terms and this document is ready for the signatures of the officers of the Church."

At the recommendation of the Finance Committee the following resolution was adopted by the Executive Board:

> "Resolved, That the President and Secretary of this corporation be and they hereby are authorized to enter into an Agreement in writing in the name of this corporation and to affix the corporate seal thereto with The Board of Pensions and Relief of The United Lutheran Church in America,

> the present holders of the mortgage reduced to One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars ($150,000.00) and interest now covering premises 231 Madison Ave., Borough of Manhattan, New York City, so that the interest payable on the principal balance on said mortgage from and after January 14, 1949 shall be at the rate of four per centum per annum, payable July 14, 1949 and semiannually thereafter, and by the terms of which the principal shall become due in fifteen successive annual installments of Ten Thousand Dollars ($10,000.00) each commencing January 14, 1950, the last installment being payable January 14, 1964, and it is Further Resolved, that the said agreement of Extension may contain such other clauses and provisions as to said officers may seem proper."

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee reported further on the mortgage on the Lutheran Church House property as follows:

"The Board of Pensions and Relief is holding the mortgage on the Church House property, dated January 14, 1949, in the principal amount of $150,000, to be amortized at the rate of $10,000 annually for a term of 15 years with interest at 4 per cent per annum, payable semiannually.

"One interest payment of $3,000 for 1949 has been made directly from the Church House account. The payment of $10,000 amortization and the balance of the interest will be due before January 14, 1950.

"The Allocation Commission granted from the 1948 Part II Apportionment funds the sum of $10,000 toward the reduction of the mortgage. In the event that other sources of funds become available for this purpose before the next meeting of the Executive Board, the Finance Committee Recommends that the officers be empowered to apply the sums reserved for amortization in the amount of $10,000 principal payment and $6,000 interest to the reduction of the other Church House capital indebtedness."

The Executive Board adopted the report of the Finance Committee.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report:

"Amortization payment of $10,000, due 1/14/50, has been made to the Board of Pensions and Relief, mortgagee. In addition, the second six months' interest payment of $3,000.00 was paid from the Church House account. A contribution of $16,000 was received from the Board of Publication for this purpose. Of this amount, $10,000 was to apply against amortization payment and $6,000.00 against one year's interest. The $6,000 has been transferred to the Church House account, from which the interest was paid."

This item was received as information.

### 4. Note on Church House Property

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"A temporary loan of $50,000.00, without interest, was originally obtained from the Board of American Missions in July 1944 to finance the alterations and to rehabilitate the Church House. This loan was completely repaid with funds borrowed on a note bearing 2 per cent interest from the Board of Publication (1946 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 249). The Executive Board, by action at its meeting held January 1947 voted to repay this loan to the Board of Publication by borrowing $40,000 from the Chase National Bank on a one year note bearing 1 per cent interest and obtaining $10,000 from 'C' allocation.

"This bank loan was reduced by a payment of $10,000 at maturity and a new note executed for $30,000 for one year at 1 per cent interest.

At its April 1948 meeting, the Executive Board adopted the following recommendations of the Finance Committee:

> " 'We RECOMMEND that the direct loan of $30,000 from apportionment receipts to pay off the balance of the Chase National Bank loan be approved with the understanding, however, that this shall not reduce the allocable funds for 1948 and with the further proviso that the previous authorization to borrow said sum from Chase National Bank may still be availed of in the discretion of the officers, provided that the total amount borrowed for these purposes in no case exceeds $30,000.
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> " 'We RECOMMEND that interest at 1 per cent per annum be charged to the Church House account on the amount borrowed from apportionment receipts, since this is the net yield on Certificates of Indebtedness which would have been bought.'

"The Allocation Commission has granted $5,000 from Part II of the 1948 Apportionment receipts to further reduce this loan and the amount now owing the Apportionment Fund is $25,000."

The Executive Board adopted the recommendation of the Finance Committee that $25,000 be borrowed from the 1949 Apportionment receipts and that the officers of the Church be empowered to execute a note for this amount bearing an interest rate of 1 per cent per annum.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report:

"On page 440, of the minutes of the October 1949, meeting of the Executive Board, item 5, there is recorded the adoption of the Finance Committee's recommendation that the officers be empowered to apply certain funds to the reduction of the Church House *note* of $25,250. These funds are:

"$10,000 This amount is available in the Executive Board Treasury for this purpose from an unexpended January 1949 U.L.C.A. allocation for payment on the principal of the Church House mortgage. A contribution of $10,000 by the Board of Publication, early in January 1950, covering this amortization payment, makes possible the application of the earlier allocation to the reduction of the Church House *note*. (The mortgage payment was due January 14, 1950.)

"$6,000 This amount is available in the Church House treasury because of a contribution in the same amount from the Board of Publication, which assumed the 1949 payments of interest on the Church House *mortgage* in full.

"The officers report that they have applied the $10,000 and $6,000 funds described above to the reduction of the Church House *note* of $25,000 plus interest at 1 per cent, $250.00, a total of $25,250, as directed. When this transaction is completed the Church House *note* will stand at $9,250."

This item was received as information.

At the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report:

"The Church House debt of $25,000 and one year's interest thereon of $250 was paid with amounts allocated in January from Part II of the 1949 apportionment receipts. The only indebtedness which is now existing on the Church House is a 15-year mortgage in the amount of $140,000 principal sum, with interest at 4 per cent per annum, payable to the Board of Pensions and Relief and which is amortized at the rate of $10,000 annually."

This item was received as information.

### 5. Church House Depreciation Reserve Fund

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee reported as follows:

"The January 1948 meeting of the Executive Board took action setting aside the sum of $3,000 per year, out of maintenance contributions, as a 'Depreciation Reserve Fund.' At the same time the Executive Board took the following action: 'That the payment of the $1,500 still due on the 1947 account be postponed for not more than one year.'

"The Finance Committee reports that the $1,500 due on the 1947 account is being paid this month (January 1949) and that the $3,000 due for the year 1948 will be paid on June 30, 1949."

The Executive Board received this item as information.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report:

"In December, another payment of $3,000 was received from the Church House account, toward funding the depreciation on the Church House. This makes a total of $6,000 received in 1949 (being a payment of $3,000 for 1948 and $3,000 for 1949), which now puts this item on a current basis."

This item was received as information.

### 6. Fire Insurance on Lutheran Church House

At the October 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee reported as follows:

"*(a) Building—231 Madison Avenue*

"The comptroller's office has made a complete review of the insurance in effect on the property, contents, and other insurable risks of the U.L.C.A. Mr. Fred D. Schnebbe, vice president of John C. Paige & Co., Inc., insurance brokers, has submitted a letter dated October 10, 1949, wherein he states, '. . . in our opinion, you have all the essential coverages to properly protect your interests.'

"Concerning the coverage on the building, the comptroller is of the opinion that it is not necessary to carry as much as $637,500 of fire insurance coverage on the structure. At a conference with Mr. Schnebbe, it was agreed that $500,000 insurance should be adequate for our needs, since, in the event of a partial or total loss, it would almost be a physical impossibility to replace the damaged property with materials of like kind and quality.

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that the matter of fire insurance on the building at 231 Madison Avenue be referred to the officers of the Church and the comptroller for further study; the officers of the Church being empowered to adjust the amount of coverage now carried to an amount not less than $500,000, arrived at after due consideration of an appraisal made by a representative of the insurance company."

The Executive Board adopted the recommendation of the Finance Committee.

"(b) *Contents—231 Madison Avenue*

"The insurance in effect on the contents at 231 Madison Avenue is $50,000. An appraisal was made in 1945 which formed the basis for this coverage. The appraisal also included items of furniture and equipment owned by the several boards in the building which carry insurance in their own names. Since 1945, approximately $19,500 of furniture and equipment has been acquired by the U.L.C.A.

"Since the boards and agencies carry insurance on their own property and since no depreciation has been taken into account, the coverage of $50,000 on the contents at 231 Madison Avenue appears to be adequate."

The Executive Board received this item as information.

"(c) *Contents—24 E. 37th Street*

"Only $3,000 of fire insurance is carried on the contents in the building at 24 E. 37th Street. This amount was arrived at prior to the time when this building was used for the Stewardship mailing operations. Considerable printed matter is stored in this building during the time of the Stewardship 'Every Member Visit' program.

"The Finance Committee, therefore, RECOMMENDS that insurance coverage to the extent of $10,000 be placed on the contents stored at 24 E. 37th Street, with the arrangement that this may be increased to $20,000 during the period of a heavy Stewardship program."

The Executive Board adopted the recommendation of the Finance Committee.

### ADJUSTMENT OF FIRE INSURANCE ON LUTHERAN CHURCH HOUSE AFTER APPRAISAL

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report:

"The Executive Board at its October 1949 meeting, (Minutes, p. 444, item 13,) empowered the officers to adjust the amount of fire insurance coverage now carried on the Lutheran Church House ($637,500) to an amount not less that $500,000, the new figure to be arrived at after due consideration of an appraisal made by a representative of John C. Paige & Co., insurance brokers.

"Two appraisals have been made. They are exhibited in item 9 of the report of the Finance Committee to this meeting. However, the officers have not exercised the power granted them in the action referred to above. The Finance Committee will present this matter anew to the Executive Board at this meeting."

This item was received as information.

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee presented the following report and recommendation:

"A study of the adequacy of the fire insurance coverage on the building at 231 Madison Avenue was reported by the Finance Committee at the October 1949 Executive Board meeting. The matter was referred to the Comptroller for further study, and the officers of the Church were empowered to adjust the amount of coverage now carried to an amount not less than $500,000 arrived at after due consideration of an appraisal made by a representative of the insurance company.

"The comptroller has received the following two communications relative to an estimate of the insurable value of the building:

"'JOHN C. PAIGE & CO., INC.
Insurance
111 Broadway
New York 6, N. Y.

January 12, 1950

"'Fred D. Schnebbe
Vice President

"'Mr. Carl Warden, Comptroller
United Lutheran Church in America
231 Madison Avenue
New York City

"'Dear Mr. Warden:

"'In accordance with your request, we have asked the McAuliffe Agency, agents for the Newark Fire in New York City, which company carries the insurance on your building at the above address, to have an appraisal made, and we enclose their report herewith which would place the present-day sound value of this building at $600,000. You are now carrying a total of $637,500 of insurance on this building. You also know that it is insured with the 80 per cent Co-insurance clause, which makes it obligatory for you to carry insurance in an amount equal to at least 80 per cent of its replacement value to avoid becoming a co-insurer.

"'We have also discussed this matter with our own engineer, who is very familiar with the type and construction of your premises, and we have asked him if you would be warranted in reducing this insurance coverage to $500,000. In answer to this question, he pointed to the standard form of policy which states that in the event of loss the Company must replace the damaged portion of the building with material of like kind and quality which, in your case, in many instances, would be well-nigh impossible. But he added that if you would be willing to have the Company replace any damaged portion with standard materials such as are commonly used in well-constructed and commercial establishments that the Company would be compelled, in adjusting a loss, to base their replacement value on the price of such standard materials; and, naturally, it follows, to apply the co-insurance clause on the same basis. Of course, you appreciate the fact that in the event of a total loss (which is highly improbable) that the Company's liability would be limited to the amount of insurance carried. With this one qualification, he felt fully justified in recommending that this insurance be reduced to $500,000.

"'If, after discussion of this matter with your committee, they are all in agreement that in the event of a serious loss they would only expect to have the damaged portion replaced with good, standard materials such as are commonly used in well-constructed commercial establishments, it would be the writer's recommendation that the insurance be reduced as indicated above to $500,000.

"'Trusting the above gives you the information desired, and awaiting your further instructions,

"'Very truly yours,
/s/ Fred D. Schnebbe'"

"'December 22, 1949

"'We have inspected this building and find that it is a fine structure. It was formerly a mansion-type of home which has since been renovated to a considerable extent for office purposes. All of the basic materials in this building are sound, and we would say that it is a good building for its present purposes.

"'We estimate that the present-day sound value of this building is $600,000 and would require insurance in the amount of $480,000 to comply with the 80 per cent co-insurance clause.

"'Only a qualified appraisal company can go into the reconstructive detail necessary to give you a certified valuation and, if this is desired, we recommend that the services of such an organization be employed. Our estimates have been carefully prepared, based on current and authoritative data, but are approximate only as of this date and cannot be considered

> equivalent to a detailed appraisal. Therefore, they are not binding on either you, the assured, or ourselves as to the actual value of the property.
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> " 'This estimated sound value, which has been considered for insurance purposes, in accordance with the amount submitted above, excludes the usual insurance exclusions, but includes a reasonable percentage for architect's and supervisory fees.
>
> /s/ " 'J. A. Corwin
> Sup't. Engineering Dept.
> Royal Insurance Co., Ltd.'

"The Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that in accordance with the reports received from the insurance broker, John C. Paige & Co., Inc., that the Executive Board instruct the treasurer to have the fire insurance policies covering the Church House at 231 Madison Ave., New York 16, N. Y. amended to an amount of $500,000 which will also include extended coverage."

The Executive Board adopted the recommendation.

### 7. Extraordinary Repairs

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the Finance Committee reported as follows:

"An unexpended appropriation of $12,350 is provided in the 1949 budget for this contingency. At the budget hearings in January 1949, the Church House Management stated that it was necessary to consider the replacement of the elevator and also that it was expected that a major expense would be incurred in the relocation of the Church House offices when the fourth floor is vacated.

"It is not probable that these extensive Church House repairs will be undertaken this year, and, therefore, the Finance Committee RECOMMENDS that this amount be transferred from U.L.C.A. Commissions, Committees, and Appropriations Fund—Executive Board Treasury—to Building Account—General Church Treasury—to be held there for the purposes intended."

The Executive Board adopted the recommendation of the Finance Committee.

### 8. Proposed Building Operation, 26-32 East 37th Street

At the April 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary reported as follows:

"Through the courtesy of the Union League Club, 37th Street and Park Avenue, New York City, the Church House management has been notified of the proposed erection of a building to the east of the Church House property line, and extending to the property line of the Union League Club. That club is retaining the services of Moran, Procter, Freeman and Muerer, Consulting Engineers, 420 Lexington Avenue, New York City, to guard its interests during the excavation and building operations. Developments in this project will be carefully watched by the Church House management. Should it be found necessary to secure engineering counsel to guard our street structures, etc. that will be promptly done. It is likely that the erection of this new building will enhance the value of our Church House property."

The Executive Board took the following action:

"MOVED and CARRIED, That the officers be authorized to act for the Executive Board in case of any necessity."

At the August 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the officers presented the following report:

"A report to the Executive Board at its April 1949 meeting apprised the Board of the fact that an apartment house is to be erected on the south side of 37th street immediately to the east of the Church House property.

"The Executive Board authorized the officers 'to act for the Executive Board in case of any necessity.'

"All but one of the apartment houses to be razed in preparation for the necessary excavations have now been vacated. In view of the possibility of operations starting soon the officers have entered into contact with Henry L. Shadd, Construction Engineers, 60 E. 42nd St., New York 17, N. Y. The services of these engineers are retained for the sum of $350. The contract bears the date of May 2, 1949.

"On June 21, 1949, Henry L. Shadd rendered his first inspection report. It includes seven confidence-inspiring drawings of our building."

The report was received as information.

In this same connection the secretary reported, at the April 1950 meeting of the Executive Board, as follows concerning the inspection of the U.L.C.A. buildings:

"Henry L. Shadd, Consulting Engineer, whose services are presently retained by the U.L.C.A., through Mr. S. Klein, submitted the following report on February 14, 1950, to the Church House Management concerning the progress of the excavation immediately to the east of the Church House property, on 37th Street.

"'*Conditions on Building Site 26-32 East 37th Street*
"'Demolition of former buildings complete. Excavation activities progressing. Blasting, drilling and digging in progress.

"'Powder magazines at western end of site. Blasting intermittant since Thursday, February 9, 1950.

"'Average depth of excavation now about 10 feet below street level.

"'*Owner and Builder:* 89-37 Realty Corp.
400 Madison Avenue
Francis J. Kleban, President

"'*Architect:* Emery Roth and Sons
18 East 48th Street

"'*Excavation & Foundations:* Godwin Const. Co.
370 Lexington Ave.'

"After the completion of the foundations for the new building being erected to the east of the Church House we will request Mr. Shadd to make a complete inspection of the Church House proper and of our building in 24 East 37th Street."

The Executive Board received this report as information.

At the next meeting of the Executive Board the secretary continued his report on this matter as follows:

"After the completion of the foundations of the new apartment being erected to the east of the Church House buildings Henry L. Shadd, Consulting Engineer, retained by the U.L.C.A. was asked to make an inspection of the Church House proper and the premises at 24 East 37th Street. A few minor plaster cracks were found to be the result of the blasting done in connection with the excavation. Negotiations for their repair by the building contractor are in process."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 9. Fourth Floor to be Vacated by the National Lutheran Council

At the January 1949 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary as manager of the Lutheran Church House reported as follows concerning the proposed purchase of a new headquarters building by the National Lutheran Council and its consequent vacating of its offices in the Lutheran Church House:

"It has been reported informally to the Executive Board that there is great likelihood that the National Lutheran Council will vacate its headquarters on the fourth floor of the Church House near the beginning of April. The latest word from Director Paul C. Empie is that the Council has no definite prospect of purchasing a property at this date. Even if a building were to become available soon it would likely not be possible for the National Lutheran Council to occupy it 'before next fall.' Active search for a new headquarters building is being continued."

The Executive Board received this item as information.

(See VII, A, 26, p. 357 of this report for action on purchase of new National Lutheran Council headquarters building.)

A series of delays over which the National Lutheran Council had no control has caused that agency to postpone repeatedly the date of its vacating the fourth floor of the Lutheran Church House. At the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board Rev. Paul C. Empie, Executive Director of the National Lutheran Council, reported that the Council would not be able to move out of the Lutheran Church House "much before November 1, 1950."

Most of the U.L.C.A. boards and agencies whose offices are in the Lutheran Church House have outgrown the space assigned them. Since the announcement that the National Lutheran Council would vacate the fourth floor, requests have come to the management from practically every office unit asking for additional and/or regrouped offices. Adding to the pressure in the situation is the fact that the new U.L.C.A. Department of Church Architecture will require much of the floor space now occupied by the National Lutheran Council.

Requests for office space adjustments have been reported to the Executive Board by the secretary as follows:

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|---|---|---|
| January | 1950 | Stewardship Department |
| April | 1950 | Board of Social Missions |
| April | 1950 | Board of American Missions |
| April | 1950 | United Lutheran Synod of New York |
| June | 1950 | Comptroller |
| June | 1950 | Board of Foreign Missions |

At the January 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary reported as follows:

"Because of certain special lighting and ventilating requirements which will be had by the new U.L.C.A. Department of Church Architecture, that agency will of necessity be given certain priorities in allocation of office space on the fourth floor."

The Minutes of the May 18, 1950 meeting of the Consulting Committee of the Department on Church Architecture report the following recommendation as having been adopted by the Committee for submission to the U.L.C.A. Executive Board:

"Upon motion of Dr. Walker, seconded by Dr. Bowman, it was recommended to the Executive Board that 650 sq. ft. of floor space on the fourth floor (of the Lutheran Church House), southeast corner, at a per sq. ft. cost of $3.12½, or a total annual rental (maintenance contribution) of $2,031.25 would be acceptable."

### 10. Appreciation Expressed by National Lutheran Council's 1950 Meeting to the United Lutheran Church for Courtesies in Lutheran Church House

(See VII, A, 37, p. 366 of this report.)

### 11. Repair of Exterior Vertical Drainage System

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary presented the following report:

Following the receipt of competitive bids, the contract for repair and replacement of units of the Church House exterior vertical drainage system was awarded to the M. Barry Roofing Company, New York, New York. The contract price is $1,900. This repair is now in process.

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

### 12. The Call for Additional Working Space Continues

At the September 1950 meeting of the Executive Board the secretary presented the following report:

"By the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board it became apparent to all concerned that the shifting of offices following the National Lutheran Council's vacating the fourth floor of the Church House will not provide the floor space needed by the occupants of the building. The Church House management is consulting with Mr. Norman Mansel, architect, on the possibility of providing something more than temporary relief of the crowding by remodeling our building to the east of the Church House."

This item was received as information by the Executive Board.

## CONCLUSION OF EXECUTIVE BOARD'S REPORT

Respectfully submitted,
Franklin Clark Fry, President
F. Eppling Reinartz, Secretary
Henry Beisler, Treasurer

The president announced that the consideration of items from the report of the Executive Board would begin with the presentation of certain items which the Executive Board desires to report to the convention, but on which items no recommendation is to be made. The secretary was called upon to present these items.

Secretary Reinartz read the action of the Executive Board, taken at its October 3, 1950, meeting, concerning the *"Proposed study of editorial principles to be followed in the preparation of the report of the Executive Board to future conventions of the Church."* (I, 10, p. 84)

The secretary presented the action of the Executive Board concerning the request of the 1948 convention that the Board consider the possibility of providing an Endowment Fund "of at least $100,000" the income from which is to be used for the permanent maintenance of the Knubel-Miller Lectures. It was pointed out that negotiations are in process with the Board of Education looking forward to the possible assignment of the management and promotion of the Knubel-Miller Lectures to that Board. In the event that such an assignment is made, the Board of Education will be encouraged to make annual provision in its budget for this lectureship, thus assuring the regular and uninterrupted presentation of the lectures. No fundamental change in the plans and procedures concerning the lectureship is contemplated in the possible assignment of this responsibility to the Board of Education.

The president declared the session adjourned.

The chaplain lead the convention in prayer.

## FIRST MEETING

### Second Session

KRNT Radio Theater, Des Moines, Iowa
Wednesday, October 4, 1950, 7:45 P.M.

Devotions were conducted by the convention chaplain.

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Dr. James C. Kinard, chairman, presented the first report of the Committee of Reference and Counsel.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AND COUNSEL

1. To the convention has come through President Fry a telegram from Dr. W. H. Greever, beloved former Secretary of the Church:

> "Greetings and prayers—I Corinthians 15:58 ('Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord')."

We recommend that the convention request Secretary Reinartz to send Dr. Greever a telegram to express appreciation of his greeting and to wish him every blessing.

2. We recommend that immediately following this report, President Boldt of the Synod of Iowa be given opportunity to make a brief presentation.

Recommendation 1. was unanimously adopted. The following telegram to Dr. Greever at 9:00 P.M., October 4, 1950:

> "The Seventeenth Biennial Convention of the ULCA sends you its appreciation for your endearing greeting and assures you of the Church's continuing love and mounting gratitude."

Recommendation 2. was adopted.

The president recognized the Rev. F. D. Boldt to make the presentation of a gavel. Dr. Boldt pointed out that the gavel had been secured by the Rev. J. F. Krueger, and had been used over a period of years by the Iowa Synod. The wood of the gavel was reported to have come from a tree near the grave of Confucius.

The president expressed the appreciation of the convention for this gavel.

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The next order of businss was the election of a treasurer. The president instructed the Committee on Conduct of Elections to distribute blanks for this election. The blanks were distributed.

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The president recognized the Rev. Luther D. Reed, chairman of the Common Service Book Committee, to present the report of that committee and through it the report of the Joint Commission on the Liturgy and the Joint Commission on the Hymnal.

## REPORT OF THE COMMON SERVICE BOOK COMMITTEE

*(For action on this report see pp. 592-593)*

The Committee held one general meeting in Philadelphia, January 19-20, 1950. Dr. Reed was elected chairman, and Dr. Hoover, secretary. Subcommittees were active and considerable work was done by correspondence.

### Prayers and Tracts

In response to requests of the Executive Board, acting on suggestions of the Committee on Faith and Life, the Common Service Book Committee appointed a subcommittee (Drs. Seaman, Steimle, and Clare), which prepared a collection of "Prayers for the Enlistment of Men and Women for Full-time Service in the Church." This includes Collects and Prayers for the ministry, the diaconate, parish workers, organists and choir masters, workers in institutions of mercy, etc.

The same subcommittee was also instructed to prepare a prayer manual for the laity in the form of a small book to be carried in the purse or the pocket, and containing prayers and spiritual exercises.

Also in response to a request of the Executive Board, the Committee appointed Drs. Fischer, Baughman, and Stirewalt to prepare tracts on the Sacraments.

A proposal to issue a brief popular introduction to the Liturgy was considered and a subcommittee was appointed to develop a plan and submit material. Work on this project, however, was discontinued in view of the expected early appearance of the new Common Liturgy and of the announced intention of the Joint Commission on the Liturgy to prepare such a work.

### Review of the Work of the Joint Commissions

Six representatives of the Committee are members of the Joint Commission on the new Common Hymnal and five representatives are members of the Commission on the Liturgy. The continuing work of these Commissions makes heavy demands upon the time, strength, and energy of our representatives—Drs. Fischer, Hoover, Horn, Leupold, Reed, Seaman and Seltzer.

The Committee reviewed and approved the work of the Commission on the Hymnal, the details of which had been fully reported to the Committee (see appended report).

Particular attention was given to the report of the Commission on the Liturgy (see appended report), as this contains important items requiring action by the co-operating churches. Chief among these are the revised texts of the Prayer of the Church and of the Prayer of Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer); the proposed plan for musical settings of the Liturgy; and the text of a large number of Occasional Services.

The Committee approved the revised text of the Prayer of Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer) and the recommendation of an alternate form. It offered several suggestions concerning the introductory statement in the Commission's report, which suggestions the Commission later accepted.

The Committee reviewed every portion of the texts of the Occasional Services. It made a dozen or more minor suggestions, which for the most part were later adopted by the Commission. The Committee regards the agreement reached on the Occasional Services as a major achievement and it unanimously approved the proposed texts. It also recommends the approval of all other items in the appended report of the Commission.

In concluding its report, the Committee

desires to express its high appreciation of the work of the Joint Commission which succeeded in the face of almost insurmountable difficulties in reaching full agreement in a work of large proportions and great significance. The Committee believes that its representatives on the Commission made an important contribution to this co-operative endeavor.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee presents the following recommendations:

1. That the United Lutheran Church record its appreciation of the procedures and progress of the Commission on the Hymnal as set forth in the appended report. (Adopted, see p. 592)

2. That the United Lutheran Church approve the revised text of the Prayer of the Church, the revised text of the Prayer of Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer), and the provision for the alternate use of the Words of Institution and the Lord's Prayer as contained in the appended Report. (Adopted, see p. 592)

3. That the United Lutheran Church approve the text of the Occasional Services as contained in the appended report and exhibit of the Commission on the Liturgy. (Adopted, see p. 592)

4. That the United Lutheran Church approve all other items in the appended report of the Commission on the Liturgy, including the changes in the Commission's report to the churches in 1948. (Adopted, see p. 592)

5. That the United Lutheran Church authorize the publication of the complete body of liturgical and musical material proposed by the Joint Commission in its reports and exhibits to the co-operating churches in 1948 and 1950. (Adopted, see p. 593)

6. Inasmuch as the United Lutheran Church has delegated to the Common Service Book Committee authority for the content, editing, and format of the *Common Service Book,* the Committee requests the approval of the Church to vest in its representatives on the Joint Commission on the Liturgy, the authority requested in the following resolution of that Commission:

*Resolved,* That, while it is the intention of this Commission to seek advice and counsel of the publication houses of all the bodies concerned in the publication of the Common Lutheran Liturgy, it is the recommendation of this Commission to the repective churches (to wit, the American Lutheran Church, the Augustana Lutheran Church, the Evangelical Lutheran Church, the Suomi Synod, the United Evangelical Lutheran Church and the United Lutheran Church in America), that the ultimate responsibility for the content, editing, and format of the Common Lutheran Liturgy be vested in the Commission; and further, that no edition of this Liturgy be published without the imprint of this Commission or its successor.

Enactment of this resolution will be in agreement with identical action on the Common Lutheran Hymnal as taken by the United Lutheran Church and other co-operating churches in 1946 (ULCA Minutes, pp. 392, 596). (Adopted, see p. 593)

(For further recommendations of this report, see p. 593.)

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# REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMISSION ON THE LITURGY

*(Presented by Common Service Book Committee)*

The Commission is pleased to report that complete agreement has been reached on all matters referred to it by the co-operating Churches. Three general meetings of the Commission were held in Chicago, each lasting three full days (April 19-21 and November 16-18, 1949, and April 11-13, 1950). Sub-committees met frequently and individuals and small groups worked steadily on special assignments. At the final meeting of the Commission, printed galley proofs of texts previously adopted were revised, and reports of committees studied in connection with instructions from the Churches and requests and suggestions from many pastors and laymen throughout the Church.

The Commission has ever been conscious of the importance of the matters committed to its care. The worship of God and the ministration of the Sacraments and rites of the Church cover all the ages of man from the cradle to the grave, and enshrine many of the deepest and the most exalted experiences of the human soul. Forms approved at this time will not be of temporary importance, but may endure for generations. Though encouraged by the successful work of the National Lutheran Council and other co-operative endeavors, the Commission knew that in the area of public worship there was such variety and complexity of usage and such attachment to custom that it might not be possible to attain common agreement.

In view of these facts, every decision of the Commission was made in a mood of reverence and deep sincerity. The extended report which the Commission now presents will provide, if the Churches approve, and for the first time in our history, a single and complete Service Book, with Hymnal, for the use of all our congregations in the United States and Canada.

### THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH AND OTHER GENERAL PRAYERS

The Commission proposes a revised text of the Prayer of the Church reported two years ago. It recommends the adoption of a slightly modified text of the ancient Bidding Prayer traditionally associated with the services of Good Friday. It also proposes the adoption of four additional General Prayers, any one of which may be used instead of the regular Prayer of the Church on Festival Days and whenever the Holy Communion is celebrated. All of the above-mentioned texts will be found in the printed Exhibit of "Liturgical Texts" which accompanies, and is a part of, this Report.

### THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Commission recommends that the Eucharistic Prayer be entitled "The Prayer of Thanksgiving." It submits the following statement and revised text. It also recommends that the alternate use of The Words of Institution and The Lord's Prayer be permitted.

To no subject on its Agenda has the Commission devoted more time or study than to the Communion Office. It has recognized that the Canon was the crucial point of Luther's reformation of the Mass, and against every notion of introducing an element of human merit into the Sacrament, the Commission has stood as one.

Yet we have recognized, as Lutheran liturgists have done from Luther's time, that in the cleansing of the Mass one very important element was sacrificed. The ancient name of the Sacrament, the Eucharist, meant an act of thanksgiving. If "we should at all times and in all places give thanks," nowhere in the experience of the Christian are gratitude and prayer more fitting as a response to the gift of grace than in this unique gift of God to His Church. Luther found the elements of thanksgiving, remembrance and prayer so intertwined with abuses of saint-worship and human works that he chose to make a clean sweep of the Canon.

The result was the isolation of the Words of Institution and the Lord's Prayer as the substance of the Rite. Ever since, various

Lutheran Orders, from the Strasburg Order of 1524 to the modern Swedish Order of 1942, have wrestled with the problem, trying to regain for the Church what the earliest Christian Orders had preserved, but what Rome had corrupted.

The Commission feels that it has stood in the tradition of the best Lutheran forms and of forms of the Ecumenical Church, in providing a fitting introduction to the Verba, and an expression of the adoration, praise and thanksgiving of the Church as it receives, in obedience to His command, this Sacrament, which unites the Communion of Saints with Him, Who unites us with Himself.

Every precious moment preserved in the New Testament and in the earliest liturgies now has a place in the sublime Order of Holy Communion, from the *Sursum Corda* to the life-giving word "This is my Body," "This is my Blood." No mortal may adequately thank God for this gift. But we pray that the Spirit may be given us as we borrow His language to utter our adoration, our praise, our thanks, and our petitions.

Every word, every punctuation mark of the proposed text has been the object of prolonged discussion. Prayerfully we recommend this Prayer of Thanksgiving to the Church, still permitting, in accordance with Lutheran liturgical principles, an alternate form for those who prefer to use it. The governing aim of the Commission has been to afford a prayer of humble access for the Church as it approaches this which He has commanded us to do in remembrance of Him. The Commission has tried to meet every suggestion which has been put before it, and now submits this form, hoping for the favorable response of the Church.

*The Revised Text*

HOLY art Thou, Almighty and Merciful God.

Holy art Thou, and great is the Majesty of Thy glory.

Thou didst so love the world as to give Thine Only-begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him might not perish, but have everlasting life; Who, having come into the world to fulfil for us Thy holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation, IN THE NIGHT IN WHICH HE WAS BETRAYED, [a]TOOK BREAD: AND WHEN HE HAD GIVEN THANKS, HE BRAKE IT AND GAVE IT TO HIS DISCIPLES, SAYING, TAKE, EAT: THIS IS MY BODY WHICH IS GIVEN FOR YOU: THIS DO IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME.

*(a) Here he shall take the BREAD in his hand.*

AFTER THE SAME MANNER ALSO, HE [b]TOOK THE CUP, WHEN HE HAD SUPPED, AND WHEN HE HAD GIVEN THANKS, HE GAVE IT TO THEM, SAYING, DRINK YE ALL OF IT: THIS CUP IS THE NEW TESTAMENT IN MY BLOOD, WHICH IS SHED FOR YOU, AND FOR MANY, FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS: THIS DO, AS OFT AS YE DRINK IT, IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME.

*(b) Here he shall take the CUP in his hand.*

Remembering, therefore, His salutary precept, His life-giving Passion and Death, His glorious Resurrection and Ascension and the promise of His coming again, we give thanks to Thee, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought, but as we are able; and we beseech Thee mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving, and with Thy Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, Thy servants, and these Thine own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who partake thereof may be filled with heavenly benediction and grace, and, receiving the remission of sins, be sanctified in soul and body and have our portion with all Thy saints.

And unto Thee, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in Thy Holy Church, world without end. Amen.

OUR Father, Who art in heaven; Hallowed be Thy Name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven; Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temtpation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

*The Congregation shall sing or say:*

Amen.

*Or, instead of the above* Prayer of Thanksgiving, "Holy art Thou, Almighty and Merciful God." *the Minister may say the* Words of Institution, *followed by the* Lord's Prayer.

### THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

OUR Lord Jesus Christ, in the night in which He was betrayed, [a]took bread; and when He had given thanks, He brake it and gave it to His disciples, saying, Take eat; this is My Body, which is given for you; this do in remembrance of me.

*(a) Here he shall take the BREAD in his hand.*

After the same manner also He [b]took the cup, when He had supped, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it; this cup is the New Testament in My Blood, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins; this do, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of Me.

*(b) Here he shall take the CUP in his hand.*

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, Who art in heaven . . . . . . . . . . *Amen.*

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### The Music of the Liturgy

The Commission approves the following recommendations of its sub-committee on Music:

1. Print the complete text of the Liturgy without music at the beginning of the book.
2. Provide three musical settings for the Liturgy, preferably at the end of the liturgical section of the book. Give continuing texts in small type.
    - A. A setting based upon the English Church use and similar to the present setting of the Common Service.
    - B. A setting representative of the Continental Church tradition and similar to the setting in the Augustana Service Book.
    - C. A Plain Song setting.
3. Provide ministerial intonations for settings B and C and possibly for setting A.
4. Endeavor to use as many common forms as possible in the different settings, e.g. the Swedish Kyrie in the Common Service setting (for Lent); the Gloria in Excelsis from the Common Service setting in the Swedish setting; the historic Preface melodies in all settings, etc.
5. Give a single setting for Matins and Vespers, possibly with alternate forms for the Gloria Patri, Nunc Dimittis, etc.
6. Give a single setting for the Litany, if any musical setting be deemed necessary or desirable.
7. Provide a single setting for the Burial Service, similar to the setting in the Common Service Book.

### The Occasional Services

Agreement in the text of the Occasional Services was difficult to attain because of very great variety in the forms and customs of the different Churches. The problem had been simpler in the case of The Service, and in Matins and Vespers. The Service represents repeated revisions of the medieval Missal. Matins and Vespers are revisions of Offices in the medieval Breviary. The texts of these Latin Service Books were relatively uniform in all European lands before the Reformation and the Lutheran reform proceeded along parallel lines in all countries. Our Churches in America, therefore, notwithstanding their different backgrounds, had a common order and a great body of common liturgical material in the principal public services of the Church.

The Orders of Baptism, Confirmation, Confession, Marriage, Burial, Ordination, Church Dedication, and other Occasional Services, for the most part, represent extensive revisions of the ancient Manual or Ritual, the service book for parish priests, and the Pontifical, the service book for bishops. These differed greatly in different areas in medieval times. Many diocesan, provincial or national peculiarities persisted in the different European countries after the Reformation and were preserved in translation in the service books of our various Lutheran Churches in America.

Other differences are explained by the

fact that when the confessional and liturgical revival of the middle of the nineteenth century swept across Europe, some Lutheran countries made quite full recoveries of lost or neglected materials, while other countries made partial recoveries. Much new material, also, largely hortatory in character, was improvised. As a result of these factors, a perplexing variety of forms and traditions developed in the co-operating Churches, some of their Orders being simple, even rudimentary in form, while others were fully developed.

The solution proposed by the Commission is a series of texts which are inclusive in character. The fundamental pattern of each Service, generally identical, or nearly so, in all Churches, has been filled out with Scripture passages, collects and prayers, ceremonies and other detailed material drawn from one or another Lutheran use or, very occasionally, from some other proper source. This provides a complete and often rich body of liturgical material for most of the Occasional Services. Permissive rubrics provide flexibility and make possible a simpler, briefer service when this is desired. Essential material has a *shall* rubric; optional material is introduced by a *may* rubric.

The Commissioners believe that God's gracious Spirit guided their deliberations and made agreement in this difficult area possible. They believe that the Church may welcome the proposed Services, not only as an achievement in co-operative endeavor, but as possessing high qualities in themselves and providing satisfactorily for special needs.

Three of the Orders proposed are entirely new, not having appeared in any of the service-books of the co-operating Churches. These are the Brief Order for Public Confession for use when the Confessional Service immediately precedes The Service; a combined Order for Adult Baptism and Confirmation at the Same Service; and an Order for the Induction of Office-Bearers (parish visitors, organists and choirmasters, officers of auxiliaries, schools and organizations, and other unordained persons).

The complete texts of the twenty-five Occasional Services which the Commission proposes for adoption are printed in the Exhibit "Liturgical Texts" which accompanies, and is a part of, this Report. Following is the list.

Baptism of Infants
Baptism of Adults
Confirmation
Adult Baptism and Confirmation at the Same Service
Brief Order for Public Confession
Public Confession
Private Confession and Absolution
Burial of the Dead
Marriage
Visitation of the Sick
Communion of the Sick
Commendation of the Dying
Ordination
Setting Apart of a Deaconess
Laying the Corner Stone of a Church
Dedication of a Church
Blessing of a Cemetery
Installation of a Pastor
Sending Forth of a Missionary
Induction of a President
Installation of a Church Council
Opening of Synods
Closing of Synods
Induction of Office-Bearers

### OTHER DECISIONS

The Commission approved and recommends the following:

Authorization of the simple threefold Kyrie as an alternate use for the expanded Kyrie at the beginning of The Service, previously adopted.

The retention of the words "Or, Catholic" following the clause "the holy Christian Church" as a footnote in The Service, as previously adopted, but the insertion of these words in parenthesis in the text in all other places in the book, as in many Occasional Services, etc.—"the holy Christian (*or*, Catholic) Church."

A revised and somewhat shortened form of the Passion of our Lord.

A table of proper Psalms for Sundays and Festivals.

A Preface to the new Book.

A body of General Rubrics giving necessary technical directions for pastors, organists and choirmasters, altar guilds, etc. under the following heads: The Service; Matins and Vespers; Paraments; the Church Year; the Calendar; Precedence of Festivals and Days; the Easter Table and Movable Festivals Table. This material is important as indicating proper liturgical procedure and as an attempt to secure uniformity in practice throughout the Church.

### MISCELLANEOUS

In co-operation with the Commission on the Hymnal, a Joint Editorial Committee was set up to carry out the decisions of the two Commissions; to prepare copy for the Common Book, harmonizing details of rubrics, capitalization, punctuation, etc.; to read proof; and to determine format, style and other details in conferences with publishers and printers. All these items are subject to final review and authorization by the respective Commissions. The Editorial Committee consists of the officers of the two Commissions, the officers of all sub-committees and three other commissioners. Following are the members: Drs. Seltzer, *chairman;* Seaman, *secretary,* Bergendoff, Field, Hansen, Horn, Jagnow, Leupold, Reed and Ryden.

The Commission authorized the preparation and publication of five articles designed to acquaint the Church with the scope and significance of its work, the results achieved and the spirit manifest in all its deliberations. Drs. Bergendoff, Horn, Reed and Seltzer were asked to prepare these articles which, with the cordial co-operation of the editors, appeared in the church press early this year.

The Commission decided that a carefully prepared Commentary on the Liturgy and a Hand Book to the Hymnal should be published as soon as possible after the appearance of the new Book from the press; and that the Commissions, or their successor The Joint Commission on the Liturgy and the Hymnal, if such a Joint Commission be established, should prepare these volumes.

### RESOLUTIONS

The Commission recommends:

1. That the co-operating Churches (to wit: The American Lutheran Church, the Augustana Lutheran Church, the Evangelical Lutheran Church, the Suomi Synod, the United Evangelical Lutheran Church, and the United Lutheran Church in America) approve the revised text of the Prayer of the Church, the additional General Prayers, the revised text of the Prayer of Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer), and the provision for alternate use of the Words of Institution and the Lord's Prayer as contained in the body of this Report and in the accompanying Exhibit.
2. That the above mentioned co-operating Churches approve the text of the Occasional Services as contained in the body of this Report and in the accompanying Exhibit.
3. That the co-operating Churches approve all other items in the body of this Report and the accompanying Exhibit ("Liturgical Texts"), including changes in the Commission's report to the Churches in 1948.
4. That the co-operating Churches authorize the publication of the complete body of liturgical and musical material proposed in this report and exhibits, as well as the report and exhibits presented by the Commission to the Churches in 1948, including the collection of Collects and Prayers. This authorization includes permission to make necessary minor editorial changes to harmonize texts, unify rubrics, etc.
5. That the co-operating Churches approve the following Resolution:

   *Whereas,* past experience has indicated the necessity of determining in advance of publication the responsibility for the content, editing and format of service books of a co-operative nature.

   *Resolved:* That, while it is the intention of this Commission to seek advice and counsel of the Publication Houses of all the Bodies concerned in the publication of the Common Lutheran Liturgy, it is the recommendation of this Commission to the respective Churches that the ultimate responsibility for the content, editing and format of the Common Lutheran Liturgy be vested in the Commission; and further, that no edition of this Liturgy be published without the imprint of this Commission or its successor.

Enactment of this Resolution will be in agreement with identical action on the

Common Lutheran Hymnal as taken by the respective co-operating Churches in 1946.

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## REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMISSION ON THE HYMNAL

(*Presented by the Common Service Book Committee*)

The Joint Commission on the Common Hymnal met in Chicago, December 28-29, 1948 and September 28-30, 1949. Another meeting of the full Commission is scheduled for September 27-29, 1950.

Ill health compelled the resignation of Dr. C. J. Sodergren. The Augustana Church appointed the Rev. Clifford A. Nelson, D.D., in Dr. Sodergren's place, and he was received as a Commissioner. There have been no other changes in membership.

### A Declaration of Policy

The representatives of the Evangelical Lutheran Church have cordially and helpfully co-operated with the Commission during the biennium. The Evangelical Lutheran Church at its 1948 Convention took the following action:

> "The Church recommends that the inter-synodical Lutheran Hymn and Service Book soon to be completed, be accepted for use as an official hymnbook of our Church."

This Church also instructed its own Hymn Commission to prepare a supplement to be bound with the Common Book, the supplement to contain hymns and other material not accepted in the Common Book but which its own Commission deemed "so valuable and precious to us as a Church and people as to be worthy of preservation."

In considering the above action the Joint Commission drafted and unanimously adopted the following statement:

The Commission on a Common Hymnal, having received reports of favorable action on the project from representatives of all the co-operating Churches, expressed its thanks to God for His blessing upon this united effort towards a common devotional life among our people, and in gratitude resolves:

1) To reaffirm its faith in the ideal of one Common Hymnal, which, less than four years ago, seemed impossible of attainment, but which is now rapidly approaching realization;

2) That, should any co-operating Church or Churches find it absolutely necessary to supplement the material that will ultimately bear the imprint of this Commission, (including the hymns and such indexes as the Commission has already authorized, or may hereafter authorize), they shall

a) Give due notice to the Commission that they deem such a supplement imperative;

b) Recognize that the Commission retains its right to review any and all material already approved or which may hereafter be approved for inclusion in the corpus of the Common Hymnal;

c) Maintain the integrity of the corpus of the Common Hymnal (as defined in 2 above), and in harmony with the resolutions of this Commission of March 1, 1946, approved by the conventions of the co-operating Churches at their respective meetings in 1946;

d) Attempt to keep such a supplement as small as possible, and recognize that the cost of such supplement shall be borne entirely by the Church or Churches desiring it;

e) Place such supplement after the

corpus of the Common Hymnal (and such indexes as may be part of it), and, while the pagination of such supplement may be consecutive with the Common Hymnal, it shall be separately indexed with such indexes as the supplementors shall deem necessary.

3) That, should the complete realization of the ideal of a Common Hymnal be impossible at this time, the use of a Common Hymnal shall remain the goal towards which all of the co-operating Churches shall bend their efforts, severally and in concert.

### Miscellaneous Items

The Commission considered many requests and suggestions submitted by individuals, conferences, ministerial associations, etc. It also studied the balance of material under the various rubrics. As a result, twenty-three hymns have been dropped from the collection and twenty-one have been added since the last report. The present number of hymns is 599.

The work of the Commission is of large proportions and very time consuming, particularly in the determination of texts, authorship of hymns and tunes, dates, etc. Much of the detail has to be prepared by sub-committees and small groups, though all actions are finally reviewed by the entire Commission.

The Text Committee, Dr. George R. Seltzer, chairman, has critically determined the final texts of more than two-thirds of the hymns in the collection. It will have many more texts ready for consideration by the full Commission at its next meeting, September 27-29, 1950.

The Music Committee, Dr. Edward T. Horn, III, chairman, has assigned tunes to nearly all the hymns and these assignments have been revised and approved by the Commission. A number of new tunes, particularly from Finnish sources have been accepted. The Committee has published in the Church press a list of hymns for which it would be pleased to secure original tunes by composers in any part of the Church. It is hoped that this invitation may lead to the submission of original material of value.

The Commission appointed Drs. Horn, Jagnow, Reed, Ryden, Seaman and Seltzer as its representatives on the Joint Editorial Committee to serve with appointees from the Commission on the Liturgy.

The work of the Commission is continuing in a fine spirit of mutual interest and co-operation. The commissioners pledge their best efforts to bring it to a successful conclusion as promptly as is consistent with thorough workmanship.

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Chairman Luther D. Reed remarked his and the committee's joy and satisfaction in the prospect of our Lutheran Church in America having a Common Service Book and Hymnal for the first time in 200 years. He found this project breaking down barriers between Lutheran bodies in this land, and imparting to American Lutheranism a new sense of churchliness. Dr. Reed expressed his hope that the proposed liturgy and hymnal would serve our Church for many decades. This study, he said, has awakened interest in fellow-Lutherans in Europe, Australia and New Zealand. In framing the broad principles which governed the preparations thus far, agreement was achieved by strong majorities. The watchwords of the committee have been durability and quality. This hymnal promises "something new" in our Church life in America, namely a service book and hymnal which is pan-Lutheran, indicates ecumenical awareness and has a contemporary American flavor. Of the Liturgy Dr. Reed stated that "in its genus it is Christian, in its species it is Lutheran, and in its variety it is American."

The new book is not expected off the press before the beginning of 1954.

Dr. Reed presented the Rev. Harvey D. Hoover, secretary of the Common Service Book Committee, who in turn presented to the convention its distinguished guests, all of whom are members of the Joint Commissions.

Dr. Hoover introduced Dr. Samuel Salzmann of the Wartburg Theological Seminary of Dubuque, Iowa, a representative of the American Lutheran Church on the Joint Commission. Professor Salzmann said: "I rejoice that I can join you of The United Lutheran Church in America in your thanksgiving to God over the prospect of our new Lutheran Liturgy and Hymnal."

The second guest presented was the Rev. Gabriel Tweet of Montevideo, Minnesota, a pastor of the Evangelical Lutheran Church. Pastor Tweet stated that our Common Liturgy and Hymnal will give a feeling of at-homeness to all Lutherans as they worship in the churches of the several American Lutheran groups.

The Rev. Conrad Bergendoff, president of Augustana College, a college of the Augustana Lutheran Church, Rock Island, Illinois, was introduced by Dr. Hoover. Dr. Bergendoff reminded the convention that the Lutherans of the Swedish tradition in America were about to prepare a new revision of their time-honored Liturgy when the opportunity arrived for merging the efforts of the Augustana Lutheran Church with other Lutheran bodies in the preparation of a common liturgy and hymnal. Said he: "We asked ourselves, can the tradition of the several American Lutheran Church bodies be brought together? The answer is before us in the report of the Joint Commission. It gives evidence of our Lutheran churches in America having united in the deepest spiritual sense."

Dr. Reed introduced the Rev. Edward T. Horn, III, to present the recommendations of the Committee (p. 584).

Recommendation 1. Adopted.

Recommendation 2. Adopted.

Recommendation 3. Adopted.

Recommendation 4. Adopted.

Recommendation 5. Adopted.

Recommendation 6. Adopted.

Following the adoption of the recommendations several motions requesting certain changes in the Occasional Services were considered. The motion prevailed to postpone adjournment to 10:20 P.M., or until discussion and action on this report were completed.

The Rev. Harold S. Miller presented the following recommendation:

> That this convention of the Church request the Common Service Book Committee to ask the Commission on the Liturgy to prepare and print in the new Common Service Book a service entitled, "The Blessing of a Home."

The recommendation was adopted.

The Rev. William C. Berkemeyer presented the following recommendation:

> That this convention of the ULCA request the Common Service Book Committee to ask the Commission on the Liturgy to consider the advisability of amending the Order for Baptism of Adults by striking the phrase on page 34, line two, of the Liturgical Texts beginning "and having received Holy Baptism" and substituting therefor, "having been received into the Church by the Sacrament of Holy Baptism."

The recommendation was adopted.

The Hon. James F. Henninger presented the following recommendation:

> That it is the judgment of the convention that no further recommendations concerning minor changes in the Occasional Services should be considered at this time.

The recommendation was adopted.

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Mr. Virgil W. Daub, chairman of the Committee on Conduct of Elections, reported that Dr. Henry Beisler having received 470 votes out of 484 cast for treasurer, had received the required number for election.

The president declared that Dr. Henry Beisler, having received more than the necessary majority of the votes, was elected treasurer of The United Lutheran Church in America for the biennium 1951-1952.

Treasurer Beisler gave enthusiastic expression to his gratitude to God for the blessings showered upon him by the Lord through his Church.

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The president declared the session adjourned at 10:30 P.M.

The chaplain lead the convention in prayer.

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## SECOND MEETING

### First Session

KRNT Radio Theater, Des Moines, Iowa
Thursday, October 5, 1950, 8:45 P.M.

The Memorial Service was conducted by the chaplain. Mrs. Kenneth Gfeller edified the convention with her rendition of the soprano solo, "Open the Gates of the Temple." The secretary read the necrological roll. Chaplain Roth preached on the text: I Corinthians 15:26, "The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death."

# NECROLOGY REPORT

July 1, 1948 to August 23, 1950

| NAME | BORN |  | Ordained | Synod at Death | DIED |  | WHERE BURIED | Years of Service |
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| **MINISTERS** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bannen, Hugh M., D.D. | Oct. 27, 1859 | Lewisburg, Pa. | 1890 | Il | Dec. 1, 1948 | Rockford, Ill. | Rockford, Ill. | 53 |
| Bartsch, Carl H., D.D. | Oct. 25, 1888 | Warren, Pa. | 1916 | Pg | Apr. 10, 1950 | Minneapolis, Minn. |  | 31 |
| Bavendam, Frederick, D.D. | June 24, 1876 | Brooklyn, N.Y. | 1898 | NY | Feb. 14, 1950 | Jersey City, N.J. | Brooklyn, N.Y. | 52 |
| Beck, Charles Gurney, D.D. | Sept. 21, 1877 | Maxatawny, Pa. | 1901 | PM | Aug. 31, 1948 | Reading, Pa. | Reading, Pa. | 43 |
| Behler, Preston A. | May 2, 1872 | New Tripoli, Pa. | 1898 | PM | July 31, 1950 |  |  | .. |
| Beistel, Franklin, D.D. | July 22, 1869 | Mt. Pleasant, Pa. | 1898 | Pf | Sept. 1, 1949 | Eugene, Ore. |  | 43 |
| Benner, Allen Luther, D.D. | June 26, 1880 | Shoenersville, Pa. | 1904 | PM | Mar. 12, 1950 | Lancaster, Pa. | Shoenersville, Pa. | 43 |
| Benze, Leopold Otto | Mar. 26, 1869 | Warren, Pa. | 1896 | Pg | June 4, 1949 | Cleveland, Ohio | Erie, Cemetery | 46 |
| Bickel, Harvey | Nov. 29, 1877 | Bucks Co., Pa. | 1908 | CP | May 27, 1949 | Chambersburg, Pa. | Chambersburg, Pa. | 40 |
| Bieber, Milton J., D.D. | Dec. 13, 1862 | Kutztown, Pa. | 1894 | PM | Mar. 29, 1949 | Philadelphia, Pa. | Mt. Joy, Pa. | 52 |
| Blancke, William H. | Jan. 22, 1855 | Germany | .... | Ia | July 7, 1950 |  |  | .. |
| Boecele, Charles Louis | May 12, 1869 | Ulm, Germany | 1890 | Pg | Aug. 1, 1948 |  | Ligonier Valley Cem. | 30 |
| Boger, Wm. Jennings | July 13, 1869 | Cabarrus Co., N.C. | 1897 | NC | Jan. 29, 1949 | Mt. Pleasant, N.C. | Mt. Pleasant Cem. | 39 |
| Booth, John Richard | Jan. 14, 1897 | Emsworth, Pa. | 1923 | Pg | Aug. 21, 1948 | Beaver Falls, Pa. | Beaver Falls, Pa. | 25 |
| Bosserman, Homer L. | Nov. 22, 1883 | Superior, Neb. | 1910 | Cf | Aug. 9, 1949 | Tucson, Ariz. |  | 25 |
| Bowers, Geo. S., D.D. | Aug. 3, 1858 | Jefferson, Md. | 1883 | Md | Oct. 7, 1949 | Norfolk, Va. | Norfolk, Va. | .. |
| Brandes, Wm. H. | Aug. 25, 1857 | Germany | 1885 | Cf | June 19, 1950 | Mt. Eden, Calif. |  | 45 |
| Brennecke, Ernest, Ph.D., D.D. | June 23, 1869 | Hanover, Germany | 1889 | NY | Apr. 4, 1950 | Manorville, L.I. |  | .. |
| Brosy, J. Daniel | Oct. 9, 1867 | Edon, Ohio | 1892 | Id | Dec. 12, 1949 | Kensico, N.Y. | Bristol, Id. | 48 |
| Brown, William Herschel | Nov. 8, 1874 | Gainsboro, Va. | 1913 | Pg | July 9, 1948 | Elderton, Ohio | South Bend, Pa. | 12 |
| Burgdorf, Paul C., Ph.D. | 1884 | Berlin, Germany | .... | Md | May 26, 1948 | Baltimore, Md. |  | .. |
| Bush, L. A., D.D. |  |  | .... | CP | Nov. 15, 1949 | Boiling Springs, Pa. | Gettysburg, Pa. | .. |
| Bussard, Franklin W. | May 25, 1876 | Germantown, Ohio | 1906 | Pf | Apr. 15, 1950 | Seattle, Wash. |  | .. |
| Butler, Clarence Edwin | Apr. 7, 1880 | Ursina, Pa. | 1907 | Pg | Jan. 29, 1950 | Rural Valley | Woodmere Cem. | 48 |
| Carney, Wm. Harrison Bruce, Ph.D., D.D. | May 5, 1870 | Belleville, N.Y. | 1904 | NY | June 11, 1948 | New York, N.Y. | Belleville, Pa. | .. |
| Chang, H. S. |  | China | .... | NC |  | China |  | .. |
| Clarke, Geo. Dalbey | May 8, 1873 | Williamsport, Pa. | 1908 | CP | June 17, 1949 | Lititz, Pa. | Stewartstown, Pa. | 35 |
| Croll, Philip Columbus, D.D. | Oct. 2, 1852 |  | 1879 | CP | Mar. 14, 1949 | Philadelphia, Pa. | Womelsdorf, Pa. | 58 |
| Delo, F. S. | 1866 |  | 1892 | Nb | Aug. 30, 1948 | Lincoln, Nebr. | Manhattan, Kan. | 50 |
| Derrick, John Perry | July 3, 1890 | Chapin, S.C. | 1920 | Va | Dec. 14, 1949 | Charlottesville, Va. | Woodstock, Va. | 29 |
| Deutschlander, Johannes | June 17, 1881 | Schellenberg, Germany | 1911 | Pg | Sept. 1, 1949 | Cleveland, Ohio | Cleveland, Ohio | 37 |
| Diehl, William F. |  |  | .... | WC |  |  |  | .. |
| Dingman, Edwin | Nov. 17, 1866 | Minden, N.Y. | 1892 | CP | Sept. 8, 1949 | High Point, N.C. | Leesville, N.Y. | .. |
| Dittmar, Geo. F., S.T.M. | Oct. 10, 1875 | Massbach, Ill. | 1901 | O | Mar. 6, 1950 | Bolivar, Ohio | Springfield, Ohio | 49 |
| Dozer, Charles Edward | July 9, 1867 | Gaysport, Ohio | 1899 | Pg | July 11, 1949 |  | Ingomar, Pa. | 43 |
| Eickman, Walther, Ph.D., S.T.D. | Feb. 24, 1872 | Altena, Germany | .... | NY | July 24, 1948 | West N.Y., N.J. | North Bergen, N.J. | .. |
| Empie, C. G., D.D. | Mar. 10, 1874 | Sharon, N.Y. | 1899 | Md | Nov. 11, 1949 | Sharon Hill, N.Y. | Sharon, N.Y. | .. |
| English, John Super | July 14, 1871 | St. Clair, Pa. | 1898 | CP | Oct. 17, 1948 | Saxton, Pa. | Saxton, Pa. | 40 |
| Erdmann, Theo. John Traugott | Feb. 24, 1905 | Johnstown, Pa. | 1930 | NY | Aug. 5, 1948 | Sherrill, N.Y. | Niagara Falls, N.Y. | 18 |
| Erler, John | Jan. 22, 1877 | Germany | 1902 | Id | May 27, 1949 | Gary, Ind. | Gary, Ind. | 47 |
| Fetterolf, James H. | June 25, 1868 | Troxelville, Pa. | 1895 | Il | Mar. 25, 1949 | Mt. Carroll, Ill. | New Springfield, Ohio | 43 |
| Fisher, Frank Palmer | Aug. 15, 1880 | Bellefonte, Pa. | 1911 | Pg | Sept. 29, 1948 | Altoona, Pa. | Altoona, Pa. | 36 |
| Friday, Frederic Whipp | Sept. 10, 1874 | Harper's Ferry, W. Va. | 1900 | PM | Aug. 7, 1950 |  | Jefferson, Md. | 50 |
| Frost, Samuel Rise | June 27, 1898 | Lebanon, Pa. | 1929 | PM | July 23, 1948 |  | Newport Cemetery | 19 |
| Geesey, Malvin Dale | Apr. 24, 1884 | York, Pa. | 1909 | CP | Sept. 4, 1948 | Aaronsburg, Pa. | Spring Grove, Pa. | 32 |
| Grahn, Ernest Muhlenberg | Feb. 24, 1869 | Philadelphia, Pa. | 1892 | PM | July 8, 1949 | Manasquan, N.J. |  | 57 |

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| Greiss, George Albert, D.D. | Oct. 22, 1874 | Alburtis, Pa. | 1899 | CP | Mar. 20, 1950 | Allentown, Pa. | Macungie, Pa. | 50 |
| Grove, Elwood Martin, D.D. | Dec. 6, 1894 | York Co., Pa. | 1921 | CP | Aug. 2, 1949 | Harrisburg, Pa. | Red Lion, Pa. | 28 |
| Gruber, Charles | Oct. 14, 1883 | Philadelphia, Pa. | 1917 | CP | Jan. 16, 1950 | Carlisle, Pa. | Gettysburg, Pa. | 6 |
| Guss, W. I., D.D. | 1871 | Mifflintown, Pa. | 1899 | Nb | Nov. 3, 1948 | Omaha, Nebr. | Mifflintown, Pa. | 47 |
| Harder, Marx John | May 15, 1896 | Lennox, S.D. | 1925 | Pg | 1949 | Johnsonburg, Pa. | Dubois, Pa. | 24 |
| Hart, Elmer R. | Jan. 14, 1892 | Adamstown, Pa. | 1914 | NY | Mar. 27, 1950 | New York, N.Y. | Port Washington, L.I. | 36 |
| Hefelbower, Samuel Gring, D.D., Ph.D., LL.D. | Nov. 11, 1871 | Newville, Pa. | 1894 | NY | Sept. 12, 1950 | Chautauqua, N.Y. |  | 53 |
| Hernandez, Salustiano | June 8, 1888 | Puerto Rico | 1926 | CP | June 12, 1949 | Catano, P.R. |  | 23 |
| Hjalmsson, Petur |  |  |  | Ic |  |  |  |  |
| Hunzinger, Herman A. | Feb. 16, 1881 | Westlin, Germany | 1904 | NY | Mar. 16, 1950 | New York |  |  |
| Huthman, Walter J. | Mar. 28, 1915 | Buffalo, N.Y. | 1932 | NY | Jan. 24, 1949 | Buffalo, N.Y. | Buffalo, N.Y. | 15 |
| Ihlenfeld, Fred Wm. | Sept. 8, 1907 | Milwaukee, Wis. | 1935 | Nw | Nov. 28, 1948 | Fargo, N.D. |  | 13 |
| Jatho, Adolf | Aug. 24, 1863 | Germany |  | Cf | Mar. 22, 1949 | Oakland, Calif. |  | 62 |
| Kahl, Elmer, M.A., D.D. | Dec. 25, 1868 | Ashland Co., Ohio | 1899 | Id | Apr. 23, 1948 |  | Springfield, Ohio | 49 |
| Kaitschuk, Walter Edwin, S.T.D. | May 30, 1907 | Chicago, Ill. | 1931 | Wg | Apr. 28, 1950 | Red Bud, Ill. | Steeleville, Ill. | 19 |
| Keever, Edwin F., D.D. | May 18, 1864 | Reading, Pa. | 1889 | NC | Dec. 19, 1949 |  |  |  |
| Killian, Jacob M. | Feb. 13, 1872 | Waynesboro, Va. | 1897 | Va | Mar. 18, 1949 | Salem, Va. | McGaheysville, Va. | 14 |
| Kling, George Henry | Mar. 9, 1879 | Breakabeen, N.Y. | 1913 | NY | May 29, 1950 |  |  | 29 |
| Knerr, Wallace R. | Aug. 8, 1887 | Frederick, Pa. | 1916 | PM | Jan. 26, 1950 | Denver, Pa. |  | 24 |
| Knittle, John Freeze, D.D. | Feb. 8, 1878 | Catawissa, Pa. | 1903 | CP | May 30, 1949 | Catawissa, Pa. | Catawissa, Pa. | 45 |
| Koch, Allen A., S.T.M. | Aug. 15, 1889 | Weissport, Pa. | 1917 | PM | Aug. 11, 1949 | Lancaster, Pa. | Prospectville, Pa. | 32 |
| Krauch, Rudolph Frederick | Dec. 18, 1892 | Syracuse, N.Y. | 1917 | PM | June 27, 1950 |  |  | 33 |
| Kretschmann, Theo. William, Ph.D. | May 13, 1868 | Philadelphia, Pa. | 1891 | CP | July 10, 1949 | Lynbrook, N.Y. | Hempstead, N.Y. | 53 |
| Krout, Joseph D., D.D. | Mar. 1, 1879 | Jefferson, Pa. | 1904 | CP | Sept. 28, 1949 | Harrisburg, Pa. |  | 45 |
| Kuhlmann, Ernst John Emil | July 11, 1871 | Hanover, Germany | 1896 | O | June 6, 1948 | Yondota, Ohio | Willistown, Ohio | 53 |
| Lamack, Hans J. | July 11, 1872 | Holstein, Germany | 1906 | Cn | Nov. 23, 1949 | New Hamburg, Ont. |  | 32 |
| Lambert, James Franklin, D.D. | Sept. 15, 1863 | Friedensville, Pa. | 1891 | PM | Mar. 12, 1950 | Allentown, Pa. | Hellertown, Pa. | 53 |
| Langholz, John | Apr. 29, 1857 | Neustadt, Germany |  | Cn | Mar. 19, 1950 | Columbus, Ohio |  |  |
| Lantz, Benjamin R., D.D. | Mar. 8, 1874 | Hagerstown, Md. | 1898 | Ks | May, 1948 | Salina, Kan. |  | 50 |
| Laughbaum, Wm. Curtis, D.D. | June 10, 1877 | Galion, Ohio | 1904 | O | Dec. 22, 1948 | Youngstown, Ohio | Springfield, Ohio | 43 |
| Lawrence, Harvey Sylvester | Nov. 15, 1867 | Columbia City, Ind. | 1896 | Id | Oct. 20, 1949 | Ft. Wayne, Ind. | Denver, Colo. | 53 |
| Leamer, J. S., D.D. | Mar. 1, 1866 | Hollidaysburg, Pa. | 1895 | Nb | Apr. 8, 1948 |  |  |  |
| Leamer, Fremont E., D.D. | May 14, 1863 | Blair Co., Pa. | 1890 | O | Aug. 2, 1950 | Springfield, Ohio |  |  |
| Leitzell, Charles Wilson, D.D., LL.D. | Feb. 12, 1870 | Churchville, Pa. | 1895 | NY | Apr. 25, 1950 | Oneonto, N.Y. | Albany, N.Y. |  |
| Lichner, Samuel, M.D. | 1875 |  |  | SZ | Feb. 5, 1950 | St. Petersburg, Fla. |  |  |
| Lingle, Floyd Bost | Aug. 13, 1890 | Salisbury, N.C. |  | Va | July 23, 1949 | Strasburg, Va. | Salisbury, N.C. |  |
| Linn, Charles A., Ph.D., S.T.M., D.D. | Oct. 27, 1890 | Mt. Pleasant, N.C. | 1918 | GA | Sept. 11, 1950 | Atlanta, Ga. | Salisbury, N.C. | 32 |
| Longaker, Frank C., D.D. | Dec. 10, 1872 | Linfield, Pa. |  | Va | Apr. 24, 1948 |  |  |  |
| Mack, George | Feb. 22, 1915 | Coaldale, Pa. | 1940 | PM | Jan. 18, 1948 | Hershey, Pa. | Maxatawny Cem.,<br>Berks Co., Pa. | 8 |
| Manifold, John Cowhick | July 19, 1862 |  | 1891 | CP | July 26, 1949 | Palmyra, Pa. | Mechanicsburg, Pa. | 48 |
| McClanahan, George Walker, D.D. | Mar. 6, 1863 | Beeville, Texas | 1892 | NC | Oct. 12, 1949 | Concord, N.C. | Salem, Va. | 57 |
| Mekler, Richard Jacob Woldemar, Ph.D. | July 1, 1860 | Lemsal, Livland, Livonia | 1893 | NY | Dec. 19, 1948 | Southbury, Conn. | Southbury, Conn. | 55 |
| Miller, David Leander | Dec. 30, 1875 | Hickory, N.C. | 1907 | SC | May 29, 1949 | Luray, Va. | Luray, Va. | 42 |
| Miller, Lawrence Renninger | Dec. 4, 1873 | Niantic, Pa. | 1907 | PM | Sept. 6, 1949 | Bernville, Pa. | Belleman's Cem. | 40 |
| Miller, Richard Henry | May 31, 1919 | York, Pa. | 1946 | Md | Oct. 18, 1948 | Baltimore, Md. | York, Pa. | 2 |
| Minnick, William Gardner | June 21, 1866 | Middletown, Md. | 1893 | Md | Nov. 9, 1949 | Baltimore, Md. | Middletown, Md. | 55 |

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| Morgan, C. I. | Sept. 8, 1873 | Lexington Co., S.C. | 1902 | SC | Jan. 27, 1948 |  | Leesville, S.C. | .. |
| Morgan, Edward Morris, D.D. | Dec. 18, 1881 | Lock Haven, Pa. | 1906 | CP | Sept. 22, 1948 | Allentown, Pa. | Shamokin Dam, Pa. | 38 |
| Morgan, Francis Grover | Nov. 19, 1889 | Lexington Co., S.C. | 1913 | NC | June 17, 1948 | Hickory, N.C. |  | .. |
| Mumper, J. Harold, D.D. | June 4, 1899 | Gettysburg, Pa. | 1925 | Md | Oct. 3, 1949 | Harrisonburg, Va. | Evergreen Cem.<br>Gettysburg, Pa. | .. |
| Mykland, G. K. | 1882 | Norway | 1910 | Ks | Sept. 22, 1948 | Des Moines, Ia. |  | 38 |
| Newcomer, Harry D., D.D. | July 18, 1870 | York, Pa. | 1898 | NY | Mar. 25, 1950 | St. Petersburg, Fla. | York, Pa. | 52 |
| Obenschain, A. B., D.D. | 1883 | Vinton, Va. | 1910 | SC | Jan. 29, 1949 | Lexington, S.C. | Lexington, S.C. | .. |
| Ott, John William, D.D. | Oct. 20, 1870 | Rocky Ridge, Md. | 1900 | Md | May 14, 1948 | Hagerstown, Md. | Littletown, Pa. | 48 |
| Pence, Linden Phillip | Nov. 2, 1874 | Quicksburg, Va. | 1903 | O | Apr. 26, 1950 | Hillsboro, Ohio | Lynchburg, Ohio | 46 |
| Planz, Addison Clarence | Sept. 11, 1901 | Hanover, Ont., Canada | 1929 | PM | Dec. 4, 1948 | Philadelphia, Pa. | Grimsville, Pa. | 19 |
| Posselt, Franz A. | Nov. 22, 1891 | Cohocton, N.Y. | 1914 | PM | Apr. 4, 1950 |  | Allentown | 36 |
| Posselt, Theodore O., D.D. | Oct. 21, 1881 | Transvaal, South Africa | 1902 | NY | July 17, 1950 | Greenport, N.Y. | West Albany, N.Y. | 48 |
| Rahn, Charles Snell | May 1, 1875 | Schwenksville, Pa. | 1899 | PM | Mar. 5, 1950 | Easton, Pa. | Easton, Pa. | 51 |
| Rangeler, Wm. Francis, D.D. | Aug. 8, 1869 | Woods Co. | 1898 | O | June 29, 1949 | Fremont, Nebr. | Findley, Ohio | 45 |
| Redcay, William Irvin, D.D. | Jan. 26, 1869 | McEwensville, Pa. | 1897 | CP | June 7, 1949 | Hanover, Pa. | Hanover, Pa. | 36 |
| Rees, Gomer C., D.D. | Oct. 5, 1872 | Youngstown, Ohio | 1898 | PM | May 13, 1949 | Lansdale, Pa. | Kutztown, Pa. | 41 |
| Riebesell, J. F. Karl | Jan. 27, 1879 | Lauenbreck, Germany | 1901 | NY | Feb. 17, 1950 | Little Falls, N.Y. | Little Falls, N.Y. | 49 |
| Reiser, Walter Allen, D.D. | May 23, 1889 | Clyo, Ga. | 1917 | GA | Aug. 5, 1948 |  |  | 31 |
| Richard, James Henry | Aug. 7, 1875 | Frederick Co., Md. | 1902 | Fl | Nov. 30, 1949 | West Palm Beach, Fla. |  | .. |
| Richter, M. |  |  | 1909 | WC | Apr. 25, 1948 |  |  | 34 |
| Rupp, Louis Wm. | Nov. 9, 1888 | Zelienople, Pa. | 1915 | Pg | Sept. 25, 1949 | Prospect, Pa. | Sewickley, Pa. | 34 |
| Russell, Charles Deitzler, D.D. | Sept. 16, 1873 | Ashland, Pa. | 1896 | Pg | Aug. 11, 1948 | East Pittsburgh | Everett, Pa. | 53 |
| Sand, Benjamin A. | Aug. 17, 1865 | Norway | 1895 | Pf | Apr. 26, 1950 | San Francisco, Calif. |  | 45 |
| Schlick, Emil R. W. | Sept. 16, 1887 | Allmendingen, Germany | 1913 | Pg | May 1, 1950 |  |  | 37 |
| Scholz, Theodore, R. O. J. | May 18, 1880 | Silesia, Germany |  |  | Feb. 25, 1950 | Lankenau Hospital | Fenwood Cem. | 46 |
| Schmidt, Nelson F. | Dec. 11, 1866 | Trevorton, Pa. | 1889 | PM | Sept. 24, 1948 | Limerick, Pa. | Schwenksville, Pa. | 59 |
| Schott, Kenneth Neal | Jan. 31, 1917 | Johnsonburg, Pa. | 1944 | CP | Feb. 14, 1949 | Danville, Pa. | Johnsonburg, Pa. | 5 |
| Schultz, Wm. Henry | Apr. 24, 1885 | Neustadt, Ont., Can. | 1926 | Cn | Apr. 20, 1949 |  |  |  |
| Schumann, Giles V. B., D.D. | Dec. 15, 1873 | Albany, N.Y. | 1900 | NY | Sept. 26, 1949 | White Plains, N.Y. | Albany, N.Y. | 43 |
| Seebach, Julius F., D.D. | 1869 | Philadelphia, Pa. | 1897 | CP | Sept. 10, 1950 | Coatesville, Pa. |  | 43 |
| Siebert, William L. | Dec. 7, 1876 | Hessen, Germany | 1903 | NY | Aug. 30, 1949 | Upper Montclair, N.J. |  | .. |
| Simon, Emor W., D.D. | Nov. 18, 1860 | Columbiana Co. | 1887 | O | Sept. 10, 1949 | Akron, Ohio | Washingtonville, Ohio | 42 |
| Slavik, Paul J. | Jan. 13, 1903 | New York, N.Y. | 1926 | NY | Jan. 14, 1950 | Aberdeen Prvg. Grds., Md. | Astoria, N.Y. | 24 |
| Smith, Luther J. | Feb. 10, 1868 | Ligonier, Pa. | 1895 | O | Sept. 7, 1949 | Cleveland, Ohio | Cleveland, Ohio | 52 |
| Snyder, Simon | Aug. 9, 1884 | Clear Spring, Md. | 1912 | WV | Feb. 11, 1949 | Wheeling, W. Va. | Clear Spring, Md. | 37 |
| Spangler, Luther Stoy | Apr. 23, 1889 | Middlebury, Pa. | 1913 | CP |  |  |  |  |
| Spielman, Walter Loy, D.D. | Sept. 5, 1874 | Canal Winchester | 1896 | O | Nov. 2, 1949 | Marietta, Ohio | Cincinnati, Ohio | 51 |
| Spiggle, Charles K. | Oct. 25, 1883 | Newport, Va. | 1911 | WV | July 5, 1949 | Keiper, W. Va. | Greenwood Cem. | 38 |
| Stabley, John F. | Nov. 3, 1870 | Felton, Pa. | 1900 | CP | Sept. 24, 1949 | Dallastown, Pa. |  | .. |
| St. Clair, John A. | Oct. 31, 1859 | Edinburg, Scotland |  | Il |  |  |  | .. |
| Stettler, Marvin Harold | Nov. 17, 1875 | Allentown, Pa. | 1899 | PM | Mar. 12, 1949 | Shillington, Pa. | Gouglersville Cem. | 47 |
| Stoudemayer, George A. | May 31, 1879 | Ward, S. C. | 1917 | SC | Nov. 20, 1949 |  | Ward, S. C. | 23 |
| Stover, Jacob Monroe | Dec. 16, 1855 | Aaronsburg, Pa. | 1887 | CP | Nov. 19, 1948 | Selinsgrove, Pa. | Selinsgrove, Pa. | 34 |
| Strauss, S. K. | June 1, 1877 | Defiance Co., Ohio | 1899 | O | May 19, 1950 |  |  | 47 |
| Stroh, Charles August | Apr. 30, 1905 | Baltimore, Md. | 1932 | Va | Apr. 14, 1949 | Moorefield, W. Va. | Curtis Bay, Baltimore, Md. | 17 |
| Szebik, Charles | July 6, 1904 | Hungary |  | Cn | Apr. 24, 1950 |  |  | .. |

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| Tappert, Carl Reinhold, D.D. | Dec. 13, 1866 | Hamelin, Germany | 1887 | NY | Apr. 3, 1950 | Philadelphia, Pa. | Philadelphia, Pa. | .. |
| Tranberg, Christen P. | Feb. 22, 1885 | Bornholm, Denmark | 1913 | Il | Oct. 29, 1949 | Chicago, Ill. |  | 37 |
| Trexler, Samuel, D.D., LL.D., S.T.D. | Oct. 19, 1877 | Bernville, Pa. | 1899 | NY | May 30, 1949 | New York, N.Y. | Bernville, Pa. | 50 |
| Trump, Lewis Smith | Jan. 3, 1875 | Mohrsville, Pa. | 1903 | PM | July 11, 1949 | Norristown, Pa. | Shartlesville, Pa. | 45 |
| Twietmeyer, Herman | Dec. 4, 1864 | Hanover, Germany | 1889 | Cn | Aug. 12, 1948 | Ayton, Ont, Can. |  | 41 |
| Twietmeyer, Herman G. | Feb. 19, 1899 | Hanover, Ont., Can. | 1935 | Il | Aug. 25, 1948 |  |  | 13 |
| Tyson, Hobart William | Mar. 5, 1897 | Catawissa, Pa. | 1923 | PM | Jan. 3, 1950 | Oley, Pa. | Catawissa, Pa. | 27 |
| Van Deusen, Robert J. | Jan. 18, 1873 | Fort Plain, N.Y. | 1902 | NY | May 25, 1948 | Center Brunswick, N.Y. | St. Johnsville, N.Y. | 44 |
| Wagner, William J. | Mar. 16, 1864 | Tusseyville, Pa. | 1893 | CP | June 13, 1950 | State College, Pa. | Pine Hall Cem. | 44 |
| Warstler, Charles Lee | Dec. 9, 1869 | Plain Township, Ohio | 1899 | O | July 16, 1948 | Canton, Ohio |  | 50 |
| Weicksel, Frederick Arndt | Jan. 6, 1861 | Wilmington, Del. | 1893 | PM | Aug. 21, 1948 | Lititz, Pa. | Lititz, Pa. | 44 |
| Weng, Roland, H. G. | Oct. 11, 1904 | Oshkosh, Wis. | 1938 | O | Mar. 9, 1950 | Canton, Ohio | Red Wing | 12 |
| Wheeler, W. E. | Oct. 14, 1872 | Baltimore, Md. | 1900 | Fl | Dec. 28, 1948 | Lakeland, Fla. |  | .. |
| Williams, Walter Lloyd | May 13, 1909 | St. John's, Pa. | 1932 | PM | Dec. 27, 1949 | Allentown, Pa. | Greenwood Cem. | 17 |
| Wilson, Luther Hess | Aug. 20, 1925 | Zion Hill, Pa. | 1948 | PM | July 7, 1949 | Indian Lake, Adir. Mts. | Leck Hill, Pa. | .. |
| Witt, E. C. | Jan. 19, 1873 | Lake City, Fla. | 1901 | Fl | Nov. 1, 1948 | Lake City, Fla. |  | .. |
| Wolford, Frank, D.D. | Dec. 24, 1866 | East Cobleskill, N. Y. | 1892 | NY | Sept 15, 1949 | Oneonta, N. Y. | Oneonta, N. Y. | .. |
| Wuchter, M. Leroy | Nov. 12, 1896 | Pinedale, Pa. | 1921 | PM | Feb. 26, 1949 | Reading, Pa. | Lebanon, Pa. | 28 |
| Yeiser, Noah Emanuel, D.D. | Mar. 12, 1864 | Union Mills, Md. | 1892 | Pg | Jan. 9, 1950 | Erie, Pa. | Erie Cemetery | .. |
| Yerian, Sylvanus Homer, D.D. | 1872 | Roann, Ind. | 1899 | Cf | Aug. 7, 1949 | Los Angeles, Calif. | Roann, Ind. | 43 |
| Zeigler, John A. M., D.D. | 1855 | Pennsylvania | 1874 | Cf | Oct. 25, 1948 | Huntington Park, Calif. | Whittier, Calif. | .. |
| Zundel, William Arter | Mar. 22, 1878 | Hempfield, Pa. | 1908 | Pg | Mar. 2, 1949 | Greensburg, Pa. |  | 31 |
| **DEACONESSES** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Amos, Sister Havana | Mar. 21, 1906 | Wilmot | .... | O | Nov. 24, 1948 |  |  | .. |
| Hartman, Sister Mamie M. | Sept. 12, 1886 | Star View, Pa. | .... | .... | June 7, 1949 |  | Manchester, Pa. | .. |
| Schmidt, Sister Theodora | Oct. 4, 1897 | Rotterdam, Holland | .... | Md | Jan. 3, 1949 | Alexandria, Va. |  | .. |
| Tappert, Sister Emma | 1886 | Hannover, Germany | .... | NY | Mar. 24, 1949 |  | Fernwood Cemetery, N. Y. | .. |
| **LAY LEADERS** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Alden, L. Russell | 1880 |  | .... | Md | June 28, 1949 |  |  | .. |
| Altman, Mrs. Frank D. | 1862 | Selma, Ohio | .... | .... | May 11, 1950 | Ocean Grove, N. J. |  | .. |
| Anstadt, Mrs. Emma Jones | Apr. 26, 1869 |  | .... | .... | Dec. 21, 1948 | Philadelphia, Pa. | York, Pa. | .. |
| Badger, Mrs. R. M. |  |  | .... | .... | Apr. 5, 1950 |  |  | .. |
| Ball, Mrs. Jesse W. | 1873 | Ohio | .... | .... | Jan. 2, 1950 | Arcadia, Calif. | Glendale, Calif. | .. |
| Banck, Mrs. Meta Haedeler |  |  | .... | .... | Aug. 29, 1948 |  | Waterburg, Conn. | .. |
| Bard, Mrs. Andreas | 1874 | Freeport, Ill. | .... | Ks | Dec. 8, 1949 |  |  | .. |
| Bell, Mrs. Albert |  |  | .... | .... | July 31, 1948 | Frederick, Md. | Gettysburg, Pa. | .. |
| Berk, Mrs. William H. | Jan. 16, 1888 |  | .... | .... | Jan. 13, 1950 | Lehighton, Pa. | Mem. Cem., E. M. Ch., Pa. | .. |
| Bosch, Mrs. Edmund A. |  |  | .... | NY | May 14, 1949 |  | Staten Island, N. Y. | .. |
| Brown, Frank L. | 1870 |  | .... | PM | Aug. 12, 1948 | Pottsville, Pa. | Norristown, Pa. | .. |
| Bulwinkle, Alfred Lee | 1883 | Charleston, S.C. | .... | .... | Aug. 31, 1950 | Gastonia, S.C. |  | .. |
| Counts, Rufus C. | 1875 |  | .... | SC | Sept. 21, 1948 | Columbia, S. C. | Elmw'd C., Columbia, S.C. | .. |
| Crickenberger, Mrs. D. P. T. | Jan. 31, 1869 | Giles Co., Va. | .... | .... | May 23, 1950 | Wheeling, W. Va. | Grafton, W. Va. | .. |
| Daugherty, Mrs. Bertha Reider |  | Lancaster Co., Pa. | .... | CP | Oct. 21, 1948 | State College, Pa. |  | .. |
| Davy, Mrs. David A. |  |  | .... | .... | Sept. 6, 1949 | St. Johnsville, N. Y. |  | .. |
| Derrick, Sidney Jacob, LL.D. | Nov. 10, 1867 | Dutch Fork, S. C. | .... | .... | June 13, 1948 |  | Rosemont, Newberry, S. C. | .. |

| NAME | BORN | | Ordained | Synod at Death | DIED | | WHERE BURIED | Years of Service |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | When | Where | | | When | Where | | |
| Dunkelberger, Mrs. Amy Aberly | 1890 | Guntur, India | | | Oct. 10, 1948 | Gettysburg, Pa. | Gettysburg, Pa. | |
| Dunlap, Mrs. William C. | May 21, 1866 | Center Hall, Pa. | | | Nov. 29, 1949 | Altoona, Pa. | Center Hall, Pa. | |
| Dysinger, Mrs. Holmes | 1860 | | | Ia | Apr. 20, 1949 | Craig, Nebr. | | |
| Elbert, William | 1884 | | | NY | Apr. 20, 1950 | Brooklyn, N. Y. | | |
| Ettinger, George T., Ph.D., LL.D. | 1861 | | | PM | Apr. 20, 1949 | Allentown, Pa. | | |
| Fennig, Mrs. Bertha S. | Oct. 6, 1887 | Indiana | | | Oct. 12, 1948 | | Battle Creek, Mich. | |
| Fischer, Herbert | | | | | Dec. 16, 1948 | | | |
| Freed, Mrs. Charles A. | | | | | Feb. 4, 1949 | Waynesboro, Va. | | |
| French, Mrs. Gretchen Schilke | 1911 | Middletown, Conn. | | NY | Oct. 25, 1948 | Buffalo, N.Y. | Rocky Hill, Conn. | |
| Francis, Mrs. J. M. | 1868 | Pittsburgh, Pa. | | Cf | Feb. 26, 1949 | Inglewood, Calif. | | |
| Gilbert, Mrs. Perry E. | 1862 | | | | Mar. 12, 1950 | | | |
| Gray, Mrs. L. G. | Sept. 24, 1885 | Columbia, S. C. | | | | Madison, Ind. | | |
| Greiner, George F. | 1864 | | | | Dec. 13, 1949 | | | |
| Grossman, Mrs. Rosa H. | | | | | Aug. 7, 1948 | Easton, Pa. | Un. Cem., Conyngham, Pa. | |
| Gruver, Mrs. O. H. | 1877 | | | Cf | Apr. 1, 1950 | Oakland, Calif. | San Francisco, Calif. | |
| Heckert, Mrs. J. F. | Mar. 5, 1866 | Greenville, Pa. | | | Apr. 25, 1950 | Warren, Pa. | Shenago Val. Cem., Pa. | |
| Heidenreich, Mrs. W. C. | | | | | | | | |
| Hewitt, Albert C. | 1880 | Catawba Co., N. C. | | | Oct. 25, 1948 | | | |
| Himes, Mrs. Martha White | | | | | | | | |
| Hoover, E. G. | | | | CP | June 4, 1900 | Harrisburg, Pa. | | |
| Keller, Mrs. Ezra | | Florence, Ky. | | | Oct. 24, 1949 | Hillsboro, Ill. | | |
| Klingensmith, Mrs. Ellen A. | Jan. 25, 1873 | Wilkes-Barre, Pa. | | | Mar. 1, 1950 | Livingston, Mont. | | |
| Knubel, Mrs. F. H. | July 10, 1872 | Peabody, Kans. | | NY | Mar. 20, 1950 | New Rochelle, N. Y. | Brooklyn, N.Y. | |
| Koolen, Mrs. Martin | Apr. 5, 1879 | Germany | | Mw | May 17, 1949 | | | |
| Kuder, Mrs. H. J. | May 6, 1868 | Youngstown, Pa. | | | July 21, 1950 | | | |
| Langholz, Mrs. John | Mar. 13, 1864 | Germany | | | Jan. 5, 1950 | Columbus, Ohio | | |
| Laudenslager, Paul E., M.D. | | Harrisburg, Pa. | | | Dec. 7, 1948 | Camden, N. J. | Harrisburg, Pa. | |
| Leas, Mrs. J. Allen | | | | Il | Apr. 28, 1949 | | | |
| Lehmann, Mrs. Elizabeth H. | 1875 | Dansville, N. Y. | | | Feb. 10, 1949 | Gardenville, Pa. | | |
| Lohmann, Albert | 1901 | | | | Feb. 1, 1949 | | Middle Village, L. I., N. Y. | |
| Maggart, Mrs. Mary E. | Aug. 26, 1865 | Dayton, Ohio | | | Jan. 27, 1948 | | Forest Lawn M. P. Gl., Cal. | |
| Markward, Mrs. J. B. | | Pittsburgh, Pa. | | O | Apr. 30, 1950 | West Hartford, Conn. | | |
| Mau, Albert C. | 1892 | | | NY | June 1, 1949 | Teaneck, N. J. | | |
| McSherry, G. W. | June 21, 1860 | Fleming, Pa. | | | Feb. 21, 1950 | Norge, Va. | | |
| Miley, Mrs. Martha R. | 1862 | | | Id | Mar. 21, 1950 | Wabash, Ind. | | |
| Miller, Mrs. Courtland | Sept. 20, 1882 | Benzie County, Mich. | | | June 12, 1950 | | | |
| Moll, Mrs. Edwin | | Oshkosh, Wis. | | Nw | Apr. 6, 1949 | Madison, Wis. | | |
| Mowrer, Mrs. B. K. | 1867 | | | | May 7, 1949 | | | |
| Moyer, Mrs. Amanda E. | 1866 | Sassamansville, Pa. | | | Aug. 1, 1949 | Palmerton, Pa. | | |
| Naumann, Mrs. Ester A. | Oct. 19, 1890 | | | | Jan. 3, 1949 | | | |
| Nitzchke, Mrs. Wm. | 1878 | | | | Nov. 9, 1948 | | | |
| Nolte, Mrs. F. W. | July 16, 1894 | Schribner, Nebr. | | Mw | Nov. 9, 1949 | | | |
| Oberly, Mrs. Frank C. | 1873 | Milford, Pa. | | Pg | Feb. 24, 1949 | | Schoenersville, Pa. | |
| Read, Miss Edith L. | Aug. 28, 1878 | Philadelphia, Pa. | | | Mar. 1, 1950 | | Monaca, Pa. | |
| Redcay, Mrs. William I. | 1872 | | | | July 17, 1948 | Hanover, Pa. | | |
| Reissig, Mrs. E. F. | 1862 | | | NY | Oct. 7, 1949 | Buffalo, N. Y. | | |
| Rembe, Mrs. Henry | 1858 | | | Cn | July 4, 1949 | Hamilton, Ont., Can. | | |

## NECROLOGY REPORT—Continued

| NAME | BORN |  | Ordained | Synod at Death | DIED |  | WHERE BURIED | Years of Service |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|  | When | Where |  |  | When | Where |  |  |
| Rex, Mrs. Willoughby F. | 1881 | Allentown, Pa. |  |  | Mar. 14, 1949 | Gettysburg, Pa. | Gettysburg, Pa. |  |
| Rieck, Mrs. E. H. | July 25, 1880 | New Hamburg, Ont. |  | NY | May 23, 1950 | Medina, N. Y. | Kitchener, Ont. |  |
| Ritter, Mrs. Anna Boyer | 1874 |  |  |  | Sept. 11, 1948 | Confluence, Pa. | Addison Cemetery, Pa. |  |
| Ritter, Mrs. Charles L. |  |  |  |  | Aug. 31, 1949 | Frederick, Md. | Woodsboro, Md. |  |
| Ruff, Mrs. M. Ella | 1868 | Roseville, Ohio |  | Pg | June 27, 1950 |  | Greensburg, Pa. |  |
| Sandholzer, R. Lloyd | 1909 |  |  |  | Sept. 24, 1948 | Hornell, N. Y. | Irondequoit |  |
| Satre, Mrs. W. Carl |  | Polo, Ill. |  | O | Sept. 19, 1948 | Toledo, Ohio | Polo, Ill. |  |
| Scheer, Mrs. John | Mar. 5, 1870 | Germany |  | NY | Dec. 16, 1949 | Bristol, Conn. | Terryville, Conn. |  |
| Scherer, Mrs. W. J. D. |  | Green Mount, Pa. |  |  | Mar. 28, 1949 | Troy, N. Y. |  |  |
| Schilling, Mrs. A. F. | 1861 | Pomeroy, Ohio |  | Pg | May 8, 1950 |  |  |  |
| Schirmer, E. Harry |  | Charleston, S. C. |  | SC |  | Columbia, S. C. | Elmwood Cemetery |  |
| Schmidt, Mrs. Martha | Dec. 10, 1878 | Hannover, Germany |  |  | Dec. 25, 1948 | Los Angeles, Calif. | Forest L'n, Glendale, Calif. |  |
| Schmitthenner, Mrs. Marion | 1895 | Chambersburg, Pa. |  |  | Sept. 22, 1948 | India |  |  |
| Seebach, Mrs. Margaret Himes | 1875 | Gettysburg, Pa. |  | CP | Oct. 20, 1948 | Philadelphia, Pa. |  |  |
| Sheeder, Mrs. Nettie E. | 1865 | Silver Lake, Ind. |  |  | Nov. 28, 1948 | Altoona, Pa. | Altoona, Pa. |  |
| Seidenberg, Mrs. Curt | June 13, 1881 | Bielefeld, Germany |  | Wg | May 2, 1950 | Baroda, Mich. | Apelton, Wis. |  |
| Snyder, Norman C. | 1910 | Wilkes-Barre, Pa. |  |  | Dec. 28, 1948 | Burlington, N. J. | Wilkes-Barre, Pa. |  |
| Streamer, Dr. C. Hayden | 1891 |  |  |  | May 20, 1949 |  |  |  |
| Tozer, Mrs. Erma F. |  | Marysville, Pa. |  | CP | Aug. 15, 1949 | Yeadon, Pa. | E. Harrisburg Cem., Pa. |  |
| Wackernagle, Mrs. Emily | Sept. 21, 1883 | Nottingham, Pa. |  |  | May 29, 1948 | Lancaster, Pa. | Mem. Park, Lancaster, Pa. |  |
| Waldschmidt, Mrs. Martha | Jan. 10, 1885 | Westpfalen, Germany |  |  | June 13, 1949 |  |  |  |
| Warnes, Mrs. John M. |  |  |  |  | July 31, 1950 |  |  |  |
| Weissling, Mrs. George F. | 1896 | Galion, Ohio |  | O | Feb. 20, 1950 |  | Galion, Ohio |  |
| Wendell, Hugo C. M., Ph.D. | 1884 | Philadelphia, Pa. | 1907 | PM | Jan. 16, 1949 | Radburn, N.J. |  |  |
| Wenrich, Mrs. John M. | Aug. 4, 1866 | Stoutsville, Ohio |  |  | Feb. 15, 1949 | Stoutsville, Ohio | Stoutsville, Ohio |  |
| Werhahn, Mrs. Bertha Kolter | Mar. 10, 1872 | Wausau, Wis. |  |  | June 7, 1949 | Pasadena, Calif. | Chicago, Ill. |  |
| Werner, Mrs. Oscar V. | Oct. 19, 1891 | Denver, Colo. |  | NY | Dec. 29, 1950 | Rajahmundry, India | Rajahmundry, India |  |
| White, Mrs. R. A. | Sept. 11, 1867 | Waldeck, Germany |  | Nb | July 21, 1949 | TabithaHome,Lincoln,Nebr. | Benedict, Nebr. |  |
| Wilker, Mrs. Conrad |  |  |  | PM | Mar. 22, 1949 | Northampton, Pa. |  |  |

The chair called the convention to order and recognized Dr. James C. Kinard, chairman of the Committee of Reference and Council, who presented the following report and recommendation:

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AND COUNSEL

We recommend that President Bersell's gracious greetings (quoted below) be received with cordial acknowledgment and that the secretary be requested to reply in kind.

"Dr. Franklin Clark Fry, President
United Lutheran Church in America
c/o St. John's Lutheran Church
Des Moines, Iowa

"Dear President Fry:

"As the Seventeenth Biennial Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America is held in Des Moines this week there are many outside of your own Church who not only think about you and are interested in your proceedings but also pray earnestly for God's guidance and blessing upon you. Among these there is a host of Augustana folks and I make bold to send you this brief greeting to assure you of our intense interest in the work of your Church.

"We recognize not only that we have the fundamentals of the faith in common with other Lutheran groups but also that you are joined with us in an earnest and unconditional desire and resolve that the Lutherans of America may become one. We assure you that we shall continue to strive for the consummation of this which we firmly believe is in the will of God."

"Sincerely yours,

"P. O. Bersell, President
"Augustana Lutheran Church"

The recommendation was adopted.

The reply of the secretary was as follows:

The Rev. P. O. Bersell, D.D., President
2445 Park Avenue
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Dr. Bersell:

Your highhearted letter of greeting to the Seventeenth Biennial Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America was received by the delegates and visitors with deepest appreciation and its reading was greeted with resounding and prolonged applause.

You, and the great Church God the Holy Spirit has called you to lead, have the high regard and deep affection of our membership.

God's choicest blessing be the portion of the Augustana Lutheran Church's leaders and all its congregations.

Most sincerely yours,
F. Eppling Reinartz, Secretary
The United Lutheran Church in
America

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Consideration of the report of the Executive Board was resumed at this time.

IX, 2, (c), Report of the 1949-1950 Faith and Life Committee (p. 528).

President Fry made preliminary remarks concerning the manner in which the 1949-1950 Faith and Life Committee's report was to be presented to the convention, indicating that it was the judgment of the Executive Board that the report should be made to the convention directly by the chairman of the Faith and Life Committee or by his appointee. The Rev. Cyrus M. Wallick, member of the Fanth and Life Committee and the appointee of its chairman, the Rev. Henry E. Horn, presented the report and recommendations.

Dr. Wallick moved the adoption of the report's "Basic Recommendation" (p. 532).

After extensive discussion of the meaning and purpose of the "Basic Recommendation" and the presentation of several amendments to it which were lost, the Rev. Frederick R. Knubel presented the following amendment which was adopted.

Moved and seconded to strike out the words "adopt as its primary emphasis for the next decade" and insert the words "renew its emphasis upon."

A motion supported by a majority of the convention accomplished the reconsideration of the amendment immediately above.

The president declared that the amendment of Dr. Knubel was again before the convention.

Secretary Reinartz moved that the amendment be amended by the striking of the word "renew" and the substitution therefor of the word "intensify." The motion was carried.

The president put the amendment to the convention for its vote. The motion was carried.

Mr. William H. Stackel moved that the word "intensive" in the original "Basic Recommendation" be stricken. The motion was adopted.

The "Basic Recommendation" as amended was put to the convention for its vote and adopted.

The "Basic Recommendation" as finally adopted reads as follows:

> That The United Lutheran Church in America intensify its emphasis upon the cultivation of the faith and life of the local congregation.

Chairman Wallick presented the report's "Implementing Recommendations" (p. 532).

1. Adopted
2. Adopted
3. Adopted
4. Adopted

Chairman Wallick presented the report's "Supplementary Recommendations" (p. 532).

1. Adopted

2. Adopted

3. Adopted

In the course of the discussion of recommendation No. 3, the Rev. William R. Seaman informed the convention that the Common Service Book Committee is planning guide books to the proposed new liturgy and hymnal. These guide books are to be prepared for the use of clergymen and laymen.

4. Adopted

5. Adopted

6. Adopted

7. The Rev. Dwight F. Putman presented a motion referring recommendation 7 to the Board of Social Missions for consideration and report to the 1952 convention of the Church. The motion was seconded and carried.

8. Adopted

9. The Hon. James F. Henninger presented a motion referring recommendation 9 to the Board of Publication for consideration and report to the 1952 convention of the Church. The motion was seconded and carried.

10. The Rev. Reno R. Frobenius presented a motion referring recommendation 10 to the Board of Publication for consideration and report to the 1952 convention of the Church.

The motion was seconded and carried.

The Rev. Theodore Althof presented the following recommendation:

> "Moved that the Executive Board be instructed to implement the adopted recommendations of the Committee on Faith and Life during the ensuing biennium."

The Rev. Henry B. Luffberry made the following motion:

> "Moved that the words 'during the ensuing biennium' be struck."

The motion was seconded and carried.

The president put the motion as amended to the convention for its vote. The recommendation as amended was adopted.

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The secretary was called upon to continue his presentation of the items from the report of the Executive Board which are presented to the convention without recommendation.

Secretary Reinartz declared that the amendments to the constitution of The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Liberia requested by the 1948 convention of the Church had been made. V, B, 43, (a), page 208.

The secretary pointed out that because of the state of flux in which the plans and operations of the Common Service Book Committee now are, the

Executive Board reports that no By-law could be drawn up at this time upon which the 1950 convention could act to any advantage. VI, C, v, 1, page 275.

The president recognized Executive Board member, Mr. Otto K. Jensen, for the presentation of the item from the Executive Board's report having to do with the proportion of Part II of future ULCA budgets. III, 33, (c), page 163.

Mr. Jensen pointed out the necessity for keeping a degree of flexibility in the budget of the Church in order that emergency calls and unpredictable demands of the general causes might be met.

Treasurer Henry Beisler presented the following recommendation of the Executive Board:

> "That the proportion of Part II of future budgets of The United Lutheran Church in America to the total budget in each year not exceed 20 per cent."

Mr. Ernest P. Scott offered the following substitute for the recommendation immediately above:

> "That an item totaling 10 per cent of Part I of the budget be included in Part I for emergencies and that the additional sums requested by the various boards and agencies over and above the core budget be listed in Part II."

The Rev. Harold H. Lentz presented the following amendment to the above substitute:

> "To strike the words 'the additional sums requested by the various boards and agencies over and above the' and inserting 'additional sums approved by the convention upon request from the various boards and agencies over and above their.' "

The amendment to the substitute was adopted.

The substitute as amended was lost.

The Rev. Harry F. Baughman presented the following amendment to the original recommendation of the Executive Board:

> "To strike the figure '20 per cent' and to substitute therefor the figure '15 per cent.' " (For further action, see p. 610)

In the course of the discussion of this amendment the hour for the adjournment arrived and the president declared the session adjourned. The chaplain led the convention in a closing prayer.

## SECOND MEETING

### Second Session

KRNT Radio Theater, Des Moines, Iowa
Thursday, October 5, 1950, 2:00 P.M.

The chaplain conducted devotions.

The Rev. Earl S. Erb, chairman of the Committee on Minutes, presented the following report:

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINUTES

1. The minutes of the First Meeting, Afternoon and Evening sessions, have been mimeographed and distributed to the delegates.

We Recommend that the minutes of those sessions, as distributed, be approved by the convention.

2. The Committee also Recommends that the secretary be given the privilege, throughout the convention, of correcting the typographical or grammatical errors and such infelicities of expression as can be corrected without modifying the action to which they are related.

The recommendations 1 and 2 of the Committee on Minutes were adopted.

In connection with the presentation of the report of the Committee on Minutes, the convention gave enthusiastic expression to its appreciation of the special efforts of Mrs. Frank Wilwol in the preparation of the minutes of the first meeting.

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Consideration of the report of the Executive Board was resumed at this time.

The president called upon the Rev. F. R. Knubel for the presentation of the special item from the report of the Executive Board, namely, The United Lutheran Church in America and the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America. VIII, D, 7, pp. 446-486.

Dr. Knubel began his presentation by reading the fundamental resolution of the Executive Board's report proposing that The United Lutheran Church in America become a full member of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America.

In the course of his presentation Dr. Knubel referred to the fact that the action of the 1948 convention of the Church calling upon the Executive Board to seek a conference of the executive leadership of the churches considering participation in NCCCUSA had produced an important sequence of actions leading to the Executive Board's recommendation.

The speaker also mentioned the significant influence of the 1920 "Washington Declaration" of the ULCA in the guidance and development of our Church's interdenominational relationships. He also pointed out that the recommendations following the first one were all dependent upon it and served to implement it.

Dr. Knubel read the first four Articles of the proposed constitution of the NCCCUSA, edition of September 21, 1950.

In concluding his presentation, the speaker mentioned certain dangers by which our Church is confronted in taking affirmative action on the Executive Board's recommendation, but concerning which he felt confident that fidelity to our convictions and courage in their expression could turn the dangers into true opportunities for expanding our Christian witness.

The following delegates offered comments supporting the recommendation: the Rev. Henry H. Bagger, Mrs. Walter H. Hanning, the Rev. Reno R. Frobenius, Mr. William H. Stackel, the Rev. John H. Sardeson, the Rev. Lorin John Wolff, the Rev. Clarence B. Daniels, the Rev. Jacob L. Morgan, the Rev. G. H. Bechtolt and the Rev. George W. Schillinger.

The Rev. George W. Miley mentioned certain dangers in addition to those spoken of by Dr. Knubel and stated his conviction that these were sufficient to warrant the Church's taking a negative action on the Executive Board's recommendation.

The Rev. Robert R. Belter presented the following motion as a substitute for the recommendation of the Executive Board concerning the NCCCUSA:

> "Moved that action on this motion be deferred for two years and that during the course of the next biennium this issue be referred for study to the constituent synods of The United Lutheran Church in America."

The motion was seconded, discussed briefly and lost.

After offering full opportunity for further discussion of the Executive Board's recommendation, the president put the question on the motion to adopt the same.

The Rev. George W. Schillinger requested a rising vote. The request was granted.

Motion 1 a. was adopted by an almost unanimous vote. (VIII, D, page 479. On p. 479 the recommendation is numbered VII, 1, a.

President Fry, with the general consent of the convention, then commented on the decision of the convention. He mentioned his having felt the scruples and having shared the difficulties which were mentioned in the course of the discussion. Had not others accepted the principles for which the ULCA stands, said the president, he himself would have been bound in conscience to oppose the recommendation. He gave the convention his promise that the officers would be diligent to preserve the principles for which the Church has thus far stood.

Dr. Knubel continued with the presentation of the recommendations of the Executive Board. Modification of terminology in the following recommendations is found on p. 482.

1 b. (p. 479). Adopted.

2 a. The Rev. Harold H. Lentz proposed the following amendment:

> "Moved that Recommendation 2, dealing with the election of representatives, paragraph a., be amended as follows by adding after the word 'empowered' the phrase 'for the next biennium ending in 1952.' "

Dr. Lentz proposed further that the following sentence be added at the conclusion of recommendation 2, a.:

"After the present biennium ending in 1952 the Executive Board shall elect only one-third of the representatives of the ULCA in the National Council of Churches aside from representatives nominated by the boards and agencies of the United Lutheran Church, the remainder of the ULCA representatives to be elected by the biennial conventions of the church."

The first and second amendments to item 2 a. were adopted.

Recommendation 2 a. was adopted as amended.

Recommendation 2 b. was adopted.

Recommendation 3 was adopted.

Recommendation 4 was adopted.

Recommendation 5 was adopted.

Recommendation 6 was adopted.

Recommendation 7 was adopted.

The Rev. Abdel Ross Wentz moved that in recommendation 8 b. the words "counsel with or" be deleted. This recommendation was adopted.

Recommendation 8 as amended was adopted.

Recommendation 9 was adopted.

Recommendation 10 was adopted.

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The president recognized Secretary Reinartz for the presentation of the report of the ULCA Commission to the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America.

Secretary Reinartz reviewed briefly the work of the Commission since 1942. He mentioned several instances of the contribution which had been made to the life of Protestantism through the ULCA Commission and non-commission representatives in the Federal Council. He also commented on the unfair nature of attacks which have been launched against that agency in recent years. He expressed the commission's sense of privilege in serving the Church in some of its interdenominational relationships and remarked his pleasure in the prospect that some of the strong leadership of the Federal Council of Churches would move into significant positions in the proposed National Council of Churches.

## REPORT OF U.L.C.A. COMMISSION TO THE FEDERAL COUNCIL OF THE CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN AMERICA

### 1. Actions and Reports

Inasmuch as all significant actions of this Commission have been fully reported to the Executive Board throughout this biennium, and inasmuch as these actions and the reports of special interdenominational conferences sponsored by the Federal Council of Churches are exhibited in detail in Section VIII, A, items 1 to 13, of the Executive Board's report to this convention, it will suffice merely to list these actions and reports at this place:

Item 1. presents the report of this Committee on the December, 1948, 40th Anniversary biennial convention of the Federal Council.

Item 2. presents the list of commissioners nominated to and elected by the U.L.C.A. Executive Board for the term on the Commission ending 1955.

Items 3. and 4. record the resignation of Commissioner Paul E. Scherer and the election of Commissioner Robert V. Stackel respectively.

Item 5. records the resignation of Commissioner Voigt R. Cromer and the election of Commissioner Walter Bitner Freed.

Item 6. gives the roster of commissioners and noncommissioners assigned to Federal Council Departments, Commissions and Committees, 1949 and 1950.

Item 7. presents the recommendation of the Executive Board that the contribution of the U.L.C.A. for 1949 be $10,000.

Item 8. reports the Executive Board's authorization of participation by U.L.C.A. representatives in the National Study Conference on the Churches and World Order, 1949; the list of authorized representatives; the report on the conference by the representatives.

Item 9. reports the U.L.C.A. delegation to the second National Study Conference on the Church and Economic Life, 1950, Detroit, Michigan; the changes in the original delegation; and the report of the U.L.C.A. delegation.

Item 10. records the Executive Board's giving approval to the membership of Rev. F. R. Knubel on the Federal Council Committee on Religious Tolerance.

Item 11. reports the Executive Board's giving approval to the addition of Rev. C. Franklin Koch and Mr. Asley Totten to the U.L.C.A. representation on the Federal Council Department of the Church and Economic Life.

Item 12. reports the Executive Board's decision, on recommendation of this Commission, to participate in the Federal Council Committee on Interchange of Speakers and Preachers; and the approval of President Franklin Clark Fry as the U.L.C.A. representative on the committee.

Item 13. is a cross reference to Section VIII, E, 4, of the Executive Board's Report where the discontinuance of the Federal Council's Department of Religious Radio is recorded, as well as the establishment of the Protestant Radio Commission.

### 2. The Federal Council of Churches and the National Council of Churches

The full account of the development of the relationship of the Federal Council of Churches to the proposed National Council of Churches, and the part played in this development by The United Lutheran Church in America also is given in the Report of the Executive Board to this convention. Reference is to Section VIII, D, Items 1 through 6.

The initiatives which were taken a decade ago toward the formation of the National Council of Churches came in large part from the executive and staff leadership of the Federal Council of Churches. This agency, even though success of the negotiations would require the fullest loss of its identity, pressed the negotiators firmly toward decisions issuing in plans for the Constituting Convention of the National Council. The steadily increasing confidence in which the leadership policies and procedures of the Federal Council of Churches has been held by the member churches in general, and the United Lutheran Church in particular, has encouraged the Executive Board and this Commission to view favorably the more inclusive interdenominational services which the National Council of Churches proposes rendering the participating churches. This encouragement has stemmed also from the mutually cordial personal relationships which have existed between Federal Council personnel and the representatives of the U.L.C.A. We have tried to stay well within the bounds of our consultative relationship. Only the Church's mandate and our willing obedience to it have required of us restraint in participation in Federal Council decisions. All the privileges of unqualified membership have been spontaneously offered to our church's representatives in the various departments of the Council.

### 3. Surveys of Interdenominational Relationships

The 1942 convention of the Church asked the newly formed Commission to the Federal Council of Churches and a "Committee of Three" from the Executive Board (the duties of the "Conference of Three" were later taken over by the Executive Board's Committee on Interdenominational Relationships) to make a study of the interdenominational relationships of: U.L.C.A. constituent synods; congregations and ministers; boards and agencies. In making these surveys, the Commission, numbering 14 members, and three members of the Executive Board's Committee on Interdenominational Relationships, were associated in the socalled "Committee of Seventeen."

The first survey of the interdenominational relationships of synods was completed in 1944 (Minutes, U.L.C.A., 1944, p. 118). The first survey of the interdenominational relationships of U.L.C.A. boards and agencies was completed in 1945, and the report was circulated with the Executive Board minutes of the January 1946 meeting. The survey of the interdenominational relationships of congregations and ministers was completed in 1949. In the interest of presenting a unified report on these studies to the Church, and in the interest of bringing up to date the 1944 and 1945 studies referred to above, the Executive Board at its October 1949 meeting, asked the "Committee of Seventeen" to *resurvey* the interdenominational relationships of constituent synods, and of boards and agencies. This was done. The unified report was presented to the June 1950 meeting of the Executive Board, and is reported in full in its report, Section VIII, E, 1, (a) through (i). The special attention of the convention is drawn to subsections (d), (f) and (h) in which the joint observations of the Executive Board and the Commission on these surveys are set forth.

The continuation of these studies over four biennia has had the advantage of keeping our Church's interdenominational activities under more or less active surveillance, and in the forefront of our concern during the very years in which those activities were increasing usefully.

### 4. Attacks on the Federal Council

During the past two years attacks on the Federal Council of Churches have increased in number and vehemence. They have emanated from a variety of sources including, for example, highly emotional biblical literalists, non-Protestants, those who resent any direct application of the social implications of the Gospel, those who misunderstand or wilfully misrepresent the program and policies of the Federal Council, "fronts" of diametrically opposite purposes whose angry thrusts against the Federal Council cancel each other out.

The executive and staff leadership of the Council has studied these attacks patiently and creatively. Where, as in a few instances, they have recognized the discovery of a fault they have confessed it. Where, as frequently, they have found the attacks reveal nothing so clearly as the pathological state of the assailants, they have covered the piles of venom-filled paper with the mantle of Christian forbearance. Where, as increasingly, they have discerned subtle or open attacks on our holy faith itself, resisting replies in words and actions have been bravely and promptly made. Such replies have frequently made clear that attacks on the Federal Council, which has its truest life in the member churches, are in reality attacks on the member churches themselves. There is little doubt that the controversialists will soon turn their fire against the new National Council of Churches. Because of its great size and complexity it will furnish a vast target, and its power to resist attacks will take time to build up. In the meanwhile all friends of the new agency will stoutly resist all uninformed, unfair and malicious attacks.

### 5. Conclusion

With the formation of the National Council of Churches, the Federal Council as such will cease to exist except as a legal entity. Your Commission filed a letter of appreciation with the elected and staff leadership of the agency which for over four decades has helped to consolidate, energize and make articulate the Protestant forces of this land: The Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America.

Respectfully submitted,

THE COMMISSION

F. EPPLING REINARTZ, *Chairman*
AMOS JOHN TRAVER, *Secretary*
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EDNA SARDESON
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G. MORRIS SMITH
ROBERT W. STACKEL
C. C. STOUGHTON
S. FREDERICK TELLEEN

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The president called for the continuation of the discussion of the item from the Executive Board's report having to do with the proportion of the ULCA budget to be placed in Part II. III, 33, (c), page 163.

After further discussion of the amendment which proposed the substitution of 15 per cent for 20 per cent in the recommendation of the Executive Board, the amendment was voted upon and lost.

This action placed before the convention the original recommendation of the Executive Board.

The recommendation was put to the vote of the convention and adopted.

The president declared the session adjourned, and called upon the chaplain to lead in prayer.

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The biennial dinner of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship was held at the Hotel Fort Des Moines on Thursday evening, October 5. Stewardship Secretary, Mr. Henry Endress, was toastmaster. Brief greetings were spoken by President Franklin Clark Fry and former ULCA Stewardship Secretary, Dr. Clarence C. Stoughton. Dr. Peter P. Hagan read the Movement's necrological roll. The address of the evening was presented by Mr. Frank Egner, President of Funk and Wagnalls Publishing Company, New York, New York. Mr. Egner's theme was "Writing Your Biography."

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## THIRD MEETING

### First Session

KRNT Radio Theater, Des Moines, Iowa
Friday, October 6, 1950, 8:45 A.M.

Devotions were conducted by the chaplain.

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The president recognized Mr. Henry Endress, stewardship secretary of The United Lutheran Church in America, who took charge of presenting the report of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship.

Secretary Endress stressed firmly that the Laymen's Movement is a Christ-centered endeavor of consecrated churchmen.

Mr. Endress interviewed briefly the following persons: Mr. Zeb B. Trexler, associate stewardship secretary; Mr. Harold U. Landis, treasurer of the Laymen's Movement for Stewardship; Mr. Alvin Metzger, a member of the Laymen's Movement from Canada; the Rev. Eduardo Roig, from Puerto Rico; and the Rev. Lyle C. Burns, of Denver, Colorado. These brethren commented on: the fine reception given the literature published by the Laymen's Movement, the increase of its membership to 831 (membership in 1948, 534), the influence of home and church on the individual in giving him stewardship insights, the value of stewardship institutes, the 50-50 budget program and the preaching of the "simple gospel simply" in promoting the stewardship endeavors of the congregation.

## REPORT OF THE LUTHERAN LAYMEN'S MOVEMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP

The Stewardship Office and Laymen's Movement are a united operation. To read this report alone, would give you only half the story. We suggest, therefore, that you also read the stewardship office report included with the U.L.C.A. executive board statement printed elsewhere in this book.

### The Total Job

A "Venture in Faith" is before the Lutheran Laymen's Movement in this next biennium. For six years LLM has worked for the day when it could come to the United Lutheran Church and say, "We will underwrite the total cost of stewardship promotion."

Last June the Laymen's Movement and the U.L.C.A. stewardship office representatives appeared before the U.L.C.A. finance committee and executive board and announced:

> ". . . The stewardship office ask for *no funds* from the Church for stewardship promotion beginning with the biennium 1952-53.
>
> ". . . The Lutheran Laymen's Movement will underwrite the total cost."

A stewardship department for the first time in any church, pulls out of the regular benevolence budget, prepared to finance itself! $175,000, usually allocated for stewardship promotion, will be released to be used by other benevolence causes!

The U.L.C.A. Executive Board responded with this unanimous resolution (Minutes, June 26, 27, 1950):

> "In recognition of the report of the Stewardship Office that, because of an arrangement with the Lutheran Laymen's Movement, it, the Stewardship Office, will request no funds from the United Lutheran Church apportionment income for the years 1952 and 1953 or thereafter, the Executive Board expresses its joy and satisfaction over this good news and its appreciation to the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for its generous action."

To underscore its determination to carry the full cost, the Laymen's Movement, through its executive committee, passed this resolution, to be countersigned by all LLM members:

"A VENTURE IN FAITH"

"The Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship pledges to underwrite the total cost of stewardship promotion in The United Lutheran Church in America beginning with the biennium of 1952-53 and thereafter. We believe this can be done with a membership of no less than 1,000 by October 5, 1950; at least 1,200 in 1951; 1,400 in 1952; and through progressively higher totals thereafter. The minimum income required will be from $130,000 to $150,000 each year.

"1. The Lutheran Laymen's Movement, as it urges the whole church to 'VEN-

TURE IN FAITH,' hereby gives evidence of its own faith.

"2. We believe it is urgent that benevolence funds now used for stewardship promotion be devoted to evangelism, education, and the missionary causes of the Church.

"3. We wish to prove again that goals, considered impossible by men, are made possible by God when men have enough faith to do God's will without fear or reservation. We believe that this is a time for courageous leadership in Christian stewardship. We have the responsibility and we are determined, with God's help, to give such leadership.

"4. We believe that the most practical and realistic way to increase man's faith in God is to challenge man to do big and seemingly impossible tasks for God.

"We, the members of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement believe that the pastors and laity of the Church will be inspired by this venture in faith. The full support of the officers and Executive Board of the Church, synodical officers and stewardship secretaries, the pastors and councilmen and other lay leaders, and, more than all else, the total membership of the Laymen's Movement will be needed, under God, to carry through this venture in faith we here project.

(Signed:)
Charles H. Esser, *President*, and
(Signed:)
Henry Endress, *Executive Director*
*Lutheran Laymen's Movement*
*for Stewardship*"

### Membership Progress and Goals

As LLM ventures, as it challenges its members to give the church an increasingly effective promotional program, the army of members grows. In five years here is what happened:

| *Year* | *Members* | *LLM Income for Stewardship Promotion* |
|---|---|---|
| 1945 Total Sept. 1 | 88 | |
| 1945 Total Dec. 31 | 145 | $16,902.70 |
| 1946 " " " | 304 | 30,058.42 |
| 1947 " " " | 405 | 40,791.43 |
| 1948 " " " | 534 | 51,436.25 |
| 1949 " " " | 671 | 58,821.24 |

We believe that membership totals will continue to rise rapidly to meet the full challenge. The membership goals are:

| *Year* | *Membership Goal* | *Estimated Income* |
|---|---|---|
| 1950 | 1,000 | $ 80,000.00 |
| 1951 | 1,200 | 120,000.00 |
| 1952 | 1,400 | 140,000.00 |
| 1953 | 1,600 | 160,000.00 |

Not only will the total membership increase, but many veteran members, challenged by this venture in faith, are already increasing their annual contributions. Many members now give more than the minimum, some as much as $500 and $1,000 each year.

### It Can Be Done!

The largest single item in the current stewardship budget is the production and distribution of the annual motion picture. The cost is $75,000 to $80,000 for each production. By 1952, this item can be eliminated from our budget because the income from other denominations, who are renting and leasing our films so extensively, will bring us enough money to produce and distribute a film each year *without cost to the U.L.C.A.!* (See the stewardship office report for fuller details.)

LLM already gives substantial support to the stewardship office. It now pays the salary of the secretary for stewardship and half the salaries of the two associates. It contributes $15,000 toward the motion picture production, carries U.L.C.A. membership in the United Stewardship Council, and handles other special projects. At least $30,000 a year is involved in these items.

LLM also pays the total cost of production and free distribution of all Every Member Visit materials. This project costs another $25,000 to $30,000 every year.

The remainder of the stewardship budget—$95,000—until now financed by the Church, can be carried by LLM when our membership goals are reached.

### The EMV Record

The Laymen's Movement consistently tries to give the pastors and lay leaders of the church only the finest quality in stewardship helps. Heading the list of materials in the last biennium was the postcard folder, *Do* for fall 1948; in 1949 it was the *Jesus of Nazareth* folder, our full-color painting of Christ with the statement on stewardship; and this fall it is the Church Envelope Booklet and the EMV Worker's Turnover Chart. Many folders have been copied and reprinted by other denominations.

Most popular and effective of all was the *Jesus of Nazareth* folder. Usually only 650,000 copies are needed of the main booklet for the year, but requests piled up for the *Jesus of Nazareth* folder and LLM ended 1949 by printing 1,400,000 copies. 800,000 of these were used in the U.L.C.A. 600,000 were purchased by other church bodies.

Wherever one goes he sees this picture in homes, in parish halls, and in institutions of our Church. Pastors have also used quantities for pastoral work in prisons, camps, military bases, hospitals, and even as a gift for radio listeners!

The new materials for fall, 1950, are equally Christ-centered in their emphasis on stewardship. They are both visual as well as informational and will help our lay workers do a far better job in visiting.

Evidence that the whole Church is responding to the program of LLM and is using the materials is found in these totals—

| *Fall of* | *Congregations Ordering Supplies* | *Number of Items Shipped* |
|---|---|---|
| 1946 | 1,864 | 1,630,138 |
| 1947 | 2,457 | 4,348,118 |
| 1948 | 2,212 | 4,042,276 |
| 1949 | 2,688 | 5,891,017 |

### LLM Leadership

Leadership for the stewardship program and the development of the Laymen's Movement is provided by the officers, Charles H. Esser, Kutztown, Pennsylvania, president; Dr. Peter P. Hagan, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, vice-president; and Harold U. Landis, Lebanon, Pennsylvania, treasurer. The other members of the executive committee are B. T. Bodie, Columbia, South Carolina; Luther Boliek, Hickory, North Carolina; Charles Bruning, New Rochelle, New York; Frederick G. Erb, Elverson, Pennsylvania; Paul I. Folkemer, Baltimore, Maryland; Earl Freese, Rochester, New York; Harvey J. Graber, Kitchener, Ontario, Canada; Walter O. Helwig, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Thomas P. Hickman, Washington, D. C.; Harry Hodges, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Edward J. Hoffman, Kenmore, New York; Erwin List, Chicago, Illinois; Eugene Rights, Denver, Colorado; Clarence Schust, Fort Wayne, Indiana; William H. Stackel, Rochester, New York; Clarence C. Stoughton, Springfield, Ohio; and S. Frederick Telleen, Ridgewood, New Jersey.

The staff includes Henry Endress, New York City, executive director; John R. Weaver, Toledo, Ohio, and Zeb B. Trexler, Concord, North Carolina, associate directors; and Mrs. Doris Clayton, Ridgefield Park, New Jersey, office manager.

Most credit for the rapid increase in LLM membership goes to the 79 area chairmen who serve both as enlistment directors and also as leaders and consultants in stewardship activities. The entire Church has been mapped out in areas and the chairmen enlisted to date are:

California: Los Angeles, Robert B. Cummings and Eugene A. Hoeftman; San Francisco, Frank A. Jensen. Canada: Hamilton, Walker A. Anderson; Hanover, Alvin J. Metzger; Kitchener, Harvey J. Graber; Waterloo, Harvey W. Ziegler; Manitoba, Alexander Graf; Nova Scotia, Ervin E. Young. Colorado: Denver, Eugene H. Rights.

Connecticut: Meriden, Charles Dossin. Delaware: Wilmington, Virgil B. Sease. District of Columbia: Albert A. Grorud and Thomas P. Hickman. Florida: Jacksonville, John Schwarz. Georgia: Atlanta, Gerard E. Kohn; Savannah, Peter G. Schafer. Illinois: Erwin H. List.

Indiana: Fort Wayne, Clarence L. Schust; Evansville, Clarence B. Noelting; Indianapolis, Otto K. Jensen. Iowa: Cedar Rapids, John L. Berger; Council Bluffs, Einer P. Juel; Davenport, Alfred O. Lothringer; Des Moines, Alex M. Miller. Kansas: Salina, Paul N. Darby. Kentucky and Tennessee: Judge L. F. Speckman. Maryland: Paul I. Folkemer and Merwyn C. Fuss.

MICHIGAN: Detroit, Albert Moellmann. MINNESOTA: Minneapolis, Clarence E. Roe. MISSOURI: St. Louis, F. A. Rick. MONTANA: John George Feiden. NEBRASKA: Lincoln, Dell Tyrrell. NEW JERSEY: Bergen County, John C. Korn; Hudson County, Ralph Underwood.

NEW YORK: Albany and Schenectady, Henry G. Pfeil and Bertram Kohinke; Buffalo, Clarence Neun; Cobleskill and Richmondville, Kenneth H. Fake; Metropolitan New York, Fred G. Kraft; Westchester County, Ira F. Angstadt; Rochester, Earl Freese; Syracuse, Arthur W. Kimman; Utica, John S. Friedel.

NORTH CAROLINA: Charlotte, Avery R. Rhyne; Hickory, Luther Boliek; Salisbury, Glenn E. Ketner; Concord, Guy M. Beaver; Kings Mountain Area, W. K. Mauney; Greensboro and Winston-Salem, Harold Krauss. OHIO: Cleveland, Clarence P. Petersen; Dayton, Carl D. Eberhart; Mansfield, C. K. Dye; Shelby, Roy E. Stroup; Toledo, Dan Schmidlin and Earl Ensing, Jr.

PENNSYLVANIA: Central Penn, Harold U. Landis; Easton, Carl E. Schaad; Harrisburg, E. S. Gerberich; Lancaster, C. R. Wissler; Philadelphia, H. Torrey Walker; Pittsburgh, Raymond E. Goehring; Reading and Kutztown, Charles H. Esser and W. F. Drehs; York, W. K. S. Hershey.

SOUTH CAROLINA: Charleston, J. W. A. Bischoff and Julius E. Schroeder; Columbia, Deems Haltiwanger; Greenville, John Smeak. TEXAS: Austin, Carl H. Warner; Victoria, W. A. Miller. VIRGINIA: Eastern Areas, Eugene B. Luck; Shenandoah Area, E. E. Keister. WASHINGTON: Seattle, Fred Moody. WEST VIRGINIA: Clarksburg, Franklin R. Browne. WISCONSIN: Milwaukee, W. O. Helwig.

LLM suffered severe losses in its leadership and membership during the last biennium. E. G. Hoover, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, vice-president and last of the original members of LLM, died in June, and William Elbert, Brooklyn, N. Y., who served almost full time as assistant treasurer for four years, in April. Other members who died during the biennium are: Rudolf Miehe, Santa Cruz, California; Louis Greeno, Savannah, Georgia; Elmer Stuber, Geneva, Indiana; Charles Gristede, New York, New York; Frank S. Houck and Frank A. Patten, Gloversville, New York; Grover A. Cliquennoi, Rochester, New York; George W. Vosburgh, Schenectady, New York; A. C. Hewitt, Marion, North Carolina; William F. Pfeiffer, Akron, Ohio; Frank L. Brown, Auburn, Pennsylvania; Owen D. Clauss, Allentown, Pennsylvania; J. A. Grass, York, Pennsylvania; N. A. Slonaker, Leechburg, Pennsylvania; Raymond M. Rau, Havertown, Pennsylvania; Sgt. Gerber D. Schafer, Reading, Pennsylvania; R. G. Mauch, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania; Charles A. Hunsberger, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Karl J. Leseman, Charleston, South Carolina; W. F. Kleckley, Columbia, South Carolina; and Theodore E. Fajen, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

At this writing, (July 2, 1950) our total membership is 731. These men come form many vocations — from truck driver to bank president, and many of them are able to give $100 or more to LLM because they are tithers. All are united in the challenge for big vision, big giving, big action. They are convinced there is an urgency for the "practice of the Christian faith." They are determined that LLM shall underwrite the total cost of the program for the United Lutheran Church.

As LLM members move forward toward their goal, they thank all pastors and laymen, the leaders of the Church everywhere, for co-operation and support. They pray that their own special effort now will be only one phase of an all-out "venture in faith" on the part of the entire United Lutheran Church.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. ESSER, *President*
HENRY ENDRESS, *Executive Director*

Mr. Thomas P. Hickman, former president of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement, presented the report of the auditors (p. 616) and moved its adoption.

The motion was adopted.

# LUTHERAN LAYMEN'S MOVEMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP

## Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Receipts:* | | | | |
| Membership fees: | | | | |
| Regular | | $ 58,215.17 | | $ 52,720.84 |
| Junior | | 731.25 | | 631.25 |
| Membership fund contributions | $ 375.00 | | $ 600.00 | |
| Deduct: Transfers to membership fees | 555.00 | (180.00) | 660.00 | (60.00) |
| Contributions: | | | | |
| Synods | $ 470.45 | | $ 27.00 | |
| Postage and literature | 3,171.86 | | 2,586.03 | |
| Miscellaneous | 15.00 | 3,657.31 | 39.50 | 2,652.53 |
| Convention dinner tickets | | .... | | 3,463.50 |
| Total receipts | | $ 62,423.73 | | $ 59,408.12 |
| *Disbursements:* | | | | |
| Appropriations: | | | | |
| The United Lutheran Church in America, Executive Board, Stewardship fund: | | | | |
| Salary and pension, executive and associate directors | | $ 9,966.66 | | $ 8,500.00 |
| 1947 Motion picture | | .... | | 5,000.00 |
| 1948 Motion picture | | .... | | 10,000.00 |
| 1949 Motion picture | | 15,000.00 | | .... |
| United Stewardship Council | | 440.00 | | 440.00 |
| Printing and literature: | | | | |
| Every Member Visitation: | | | | |
| Leaflets | $ 17,552.33 | | $ 9,684.57 | |
| Pledge cards | 740.00 | | 1,623.75 | |
| Mailing and postage | 8,855.54 | | 5,207.74 | |
| Miscellaneous printing, charts, etc. | 4,976.38 | 82,124.25 | 804.79 | 17,320.85 |
| Stationery | | 299.50 | | 279.81 |
| Book distribution | | 111.05 | | 662.60 |
| Fidelity bond | | .... | | 46.93 |
| Membership promotion | | 1,729.14 | | 683.01 |
| Membership dinners including convention dinner | | .... | | 2,857.25 |
| Committee meetings | | 388.66 | | 718.41 |
| Miscellaneous | | 425.00 | | 711.51 |
| Advance for Stewardship Conferences expenses | | 2,000.00 | | .... |
| Total disbursements | | $ 62,484.26 | | $ 47,220.37 |
| *Summary:* | | | | |
| Balance, beginning of year | | $ 28,827.39 | | $ 16,639.64 |
| Receipts | $ 62,423.73 | (60.53) | $ 59,408.12 | |
| Disbursements | 62,484.26 | | 47,220.37 | 12,187.75 |
| Balance, end of year | | $ 28,766.86 | | $ 28,827.39 |

**Brackets ( ) denote red figures**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Distributed to: | | | | |
| General fund | $ 27,866.86 | | $ 27,747.39 | |
| Membership fund | 900.00 | | 1,080.00 | |
| Deposited with—The Chase National Bank of the City of New York | | $ 28,766.86 | | $ 28,827.39 |
| Advance for Stewardship Conference (General fund) | | $ 2,000.00 | | .... |

**Accountant's Certificate**

Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship
New York, New York

We have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship of The United Lutheran Church in America for the biennium July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying statement of cash receipts and disbursements presents fairly the results of the operations of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for the biennium July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950 in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding biennium.

TAIT, WELLER & BAKER
*Certified Public Accountants*

New York, New York
July 11, 1950

Mr. Hickman in a few well-chosen words presented to the Church through its president, the Laymen's Movement "Venture in Faith"—the name given to the Movement's newly inaugurated plan to bear fully the cost of all stewardship promotion in the ULCA. In testimony to this purpose of the Movement, Mr. Hickman handed President Fry a bound copy of the resolution inaugurating this venture and signed by the members.

In President Fry's reply he expressed his, and his colleagues' joy that a venture which was thought of as early as 1945, and which then seemed so impossible, could now be entered into.

Secretary Endress announced that the official premiere of the new Stewardship film, "For Good or Evil," was about to be had. Before the actual showing of the picture Secretary Endress presented the Rev. Robert C. Schiebel of Arendtsville, Pennsylvania, the community in which the picture was filmed, and paid glowing tribute to Pastor Schiebel, his congregation and fellow-townsmen for the wholehearted and generous help and hospitality which they gave to those engaged in the production of the film in Arendtsville. Mr. Endress then proceeded with showing the film.

Following the projection of "For Good or Evil" the convention registered its hearty approval of the film through a spirited round of applause.

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The president recognized the Rev. Harold S. Miller, president of the Board of Social Missions, for the presentation of that Board's report.

# REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SOCIAL MISSIONS

(*For action see pp. 627, 979, 980 of these Minutes*)

It is the function of the Board of Social Missions, serving through the congregations, to help Christians to live more dynamically—to make their Christian witness in both word and deed more appealing to men in this world in which all must live. Opportunities for practicing and maintaining a living faith in Jesus Christ are presented to Christians as they face the trials, perplexities, and discords, both national and international, of this distracting age. Through the exercise of Christian citizenship—evangelism, works of merciful service, and social action—Christianity can be practiced daily. But that means keeping one's face Christward and one's fellowship with his Church vital. As always, Christ is the answer to our every need.

### Officers

President: the Rev. Harold S. Miller, D.D., 5313 Fourth Avenue, Brooklyn 20, New York.

Vice-President: the Rev. Herbert T. Weiskotten, Ph.D., 468 East 22nd St., Brooklyn 26, New York.

Secretary: the Rev. Herman S. Keiter, Ph.D., 170 West St., Oneonta, New York.

Treasurer: Mr. Carl H. Lammers, 160 Arlington Avenue, Brooklyn 7, New York.

### Staff

Executive Secretary: the Rev. C. Franklin Koch, D.D., 231 Madison Avenue, New York 16, New York.

Director of Evangelism: the Rev. Royal E. Lesher, 231 Madison Avenue, New York 16, New York.

Associate Director of Evangelism: the Rev. Peter J. Dexnis, 231 Madison Avenue, New York 16, New York.

Associate Director of Evangelism: the Rev. Clifton M. Weihe, 231 Madison Avenue, New York 16, New York.

Secretary for Inner Missions: the Rev. Francis A. Shearer, 231 Madison Avenue, New York 16, New York.

Secretary for Social Action: the Rev. Harold C. Letts, 231 Madison Avenue, New York 16, New York.

Immigrant and Social Workers: Miss Isolde Eland, Social Service Room, Ellis Island, New York 4, New York; Mrs. Adelaide Harkna, Social Service Room, Ellis Island, New York 4, New York.

The Rev. Clifton M. Weihe joined the staff September 1, 1949, for the duration of the program of the Lutheran Commission on Evangelism. By action of the Executive Board, June 27, 1950, the Board's request for the continuation of a third worker in evangelism was approved. His services, therefore, will be continued.

### Board Members

#### TERMS EXPIRE IN 1950

The Rev. Wynne C. Boliek, D.D., 2821 River Drive, Columbia 2, South Carolina.

Dr. Alfred P. Haake, 426 North Prospect Avenue, Park Ridge, Illinois.

The Rev. Harold S. Miller, D.D., 5313 Fourth Avenue, Brooklyn 20, New York.

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## Department of Inner Missions

The ministry to people *in our midst* must be done by those who are geographically near at hand. This has been the policy adopted and followed by the United Lutheran Church since its organization. The basic inner mission practice must be within the congregation. Inner mission efforts beyond the strength of a single congregation should be the responsibility of the synod, and should be an official activity of the synod. In a number of areas inner mission work is co-ordinated with that of other Lutheran bodies in a Lutheran Welfare Society. Through organized inner mission efforts outside the congregation, people are ministered to who cannot be reached readily by any one congregation. People are thus brought into Christian fellowship through this type of evangelism and assisted in the process of sanctification.

### SYNODS

Staff time has been given in consultation with, and field work for, sixteen of the synodical social mission or inner mission committees. A definite structural procedure, resulting in improved correlation of the inner mission work on its territory, has been worked out with the Illinois Synod Committee during the past year.

Joint meetings of representatives of the committees of the synods of the South and representatives of the two institutions on their territory has started a movement toward a greater service in this area. In the South Carolina Synod the Rev. Curtis Wise has succeeded the Rev. Carl B. Caughman, D.D., as Social Missions Pastor. Here, as elsewhere, the resettlement of displaced persons has had a prominent part in the activities during the biennium. Sister Miriam Shirey has continued with the work in Columbia.

### GRANTS-IN-AID

Grants-in-Aid during the biennium are itemized in the Treasurer's Report. The Synod of Western Canada, where the Rev. G. A. Heimann is the missionary with headquarters in Winnipeg, has begun to accept greater financial responsibility for its program. Financial support of the Immigrant Pastor sponsored by the Canada Synod has been shared by that synod with the National Committee in Canada for the Lutheran World, Federation, relieving this Board of the grants-in-aid which was revived in 1948. The Nova Scotia Synod has developed its ministry to immigrants in a similar manner.

### ELLIS ISLAND

Designation of Miss Isolde Eland as a missionary supported by the Women's Missionary Society has brought this work, with new emphasis, before our Church. A second worker, Mrs. Adelaide Harkna, was added in January, 1950. Persons served: 1948—820; 1949—1,200.

### LUTHERAN INTERRACIAL SERVICE OF GREATER NEW YORK

Mrs. Lenchen Coleman DeVane is designated as one of the missionaries supported through the Women's Missionary Society. This work, previously supervised by a committee, is now under the direction of a separate board which is related to the Lutheran Welfare Council of Metropolitan New York.

Miss Bernice Samuels, a graduate of the School of Social Work, Fordham University, June 1949, was added to the staff in July 1949. She was one of the recipients of scholarship aid provided by the Women's Missionary Society. A member of Transfiguration's congregation, New York City, she is devoting a major portion of her time to service in and through that congregation.

### BLIND

*A Message for the Day* in Braille has been distributed monthly to 145 persons. Co-operation of the *Pastor's Desk Book* enabled us to double our previous list of blind members of our churches. Congregations and pastors giving special attention to blind people have been encouraged through the interest of your Board.

### CHAPLAINS

Six of our pastors serving as institutional chaplains have been visited at their places of service. Two U.L.C.A. pastors serve as full-time chaplains in Federal Correctional Institutions, three in state mental hospitals, six in state correctional institutions, and eight in Veterans' Administration hospitals. Nineteen of our pastors serve as chaplains of public institutions. Ten of our pastors serve as chaplains of inner mission organizations.

### CHILDREN

Foster care of children has become a highly specialized field of service, testing the skill and resources of our church institutions and agencies. It is an expensive service, but it is a service precious in the sight of him who said, " . . . let the little ones come unto me." Some implementation of the resolution of the 1948 convention (Minutes, page 715) has taken on a special nature: a meeting of executives of child-care institutions and agencies in October 1949, led to plans for regular annual meetings of these executives. The second meeting was held September 11, 1950. Nineteen institutions and agencies have been visited, staff services have been made available, and long-range planning with synodical social mission committees has been continued.

In December 1950, the Mid-Century White House Conference on Children and Youth will be held. Throughout the United States a great volume of study will take place in preparation for this conference. The findings of this conference will be published, and the department will aid in interpreting these findings to our Church and its congregations.

Four previous White House Conferences on Children have been held in the decade years of the century. Their findings have proved of real value to all child-caring agencies and workers with children. They have become basic standards for study and programs with children. In light of the preliminary studies being made, there is every reason to believe that the findings of this Mid-Century Conference will be of greater value than those of previous conferences, especially since youth have been added to the study. Consequently, these findings should command the studious attention of not only social workers with children, but also of members of congregations interested in improving the wholesome opportunities for all children. (*See Recommendation No. 1.*)

### DEAF

Seventy seminarians at Gettysburg, Hamma, Northwestern, Philadelphia, and Southern have been given basic instructions in methods of ministering to the deaf who use signs. We believe that offering seminarians a basic orientation in this technique is a worth-while service to the Church and to the deaf. We are presently serving the deaf in Harrisburg and York, Pennsylvania. The Board of Inner Missions of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania continues its work at five preaching points.

### DIVISION OF WELFARE, NATIONAL LUTHERAN COUNCIL

The close and harmonious relationships reported to the 1948 convention (Minutes 1948, page 371) continue. Service of the Secretary for Inner Missions as the representative of the Division of Welfare in a survey of Lutheran work and opportunities in Indiana, is one example of good working relationships. Study of ministry to seamen has been continued. While the ministry to seamen must be organized internationally, our immediate responsibility is to seamen in North American ports. Implementation of this ministry will require both money and personnel.

### OLDER PEOPLE

*The Congregation Serves Older People,* a leaflet prepared by the Board, was distributed through the *Pastor's Desk Book* and through the program packet of the Women's Missionary Society for the spring of 1950.

Two services for older people of an individualized type, not based on a home, were begun during the biennium: Lutheran Service for Older People, Lancaster, Pennsylvania, and the Service to Older People of the Illinois Social Mission Society.

Staff time and energy has gone into the formation of the National Committee for the Aging of the National Social Welfare Assembly.

Although the Canada Synod has discontinued its Home for Older People, new homes in other areas are planned and existing homes have been improved, enlarged, or replaced. The California Home has added two cottages; Tabitha Home has replaced its building with a fine modern building of larger capacity; Zelienople Home has added a new building for workers and is adding to its main building; Erie Home has added a new wing; Topton Home has purchased a cottage and adapted it to shelter 22 persons; Germantown Home has added more infirmary room and transformed one of its children's cottages for use as a home for 12 older people; Moorestown Home has purchased an additional building and is renovating another building; National Home has dedicated its Maryland Synod building and its renovated chapel and has begun construction of its Central Pennsylvania Synod building; Lowman Home has begun construction of a new building. The appeal for $300,000 for an Allegheny Conference Home at Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania, has been successful. As rapidly as more provisions are made for care of older people in congregate homes, they are filled and waiting lists grow longer. The real challenge, opportunity, and responsibility for a ministry to older people as individuals and as groups, are occurring in our congregations. Awareness of the problems presented and imagination in using every opportunity, will do much to make the added years of an increased lifespan vital with spiritual growth.

A meeting of executives of U.L.C.A. homes and agencies for older people was held in connection with the second Protestant Conference of Homes for Aged in March, 1950. Plans were made for a regular annual meeting of executives and representatives of our U.L.C.A. homes and agencies for older people.

### ORGANIZED INNER MISSION EFFORTS

A condensed statistical tabulation of inner mission work is presented in the *Year Book* of the U.L.C.A., 1950, pages 92-98. The total annual expenditures of these agencies, as reported, reaches the sum of almost ten million dollars. Individuals ministered to in some degree through these services number about half a million.

### OPPORTUNITIES

Inner mission work in the congregation and beyond the congregations is a very varied activity. It is the application of loving service to every life situation that confronts our society so that souls may be won for and retained in God's kingdom. This challenging service of God and his Church claims the utmost stewardship of our lives.

## Department of Social Action

The Department of Social Action is charged "to study the moral and social welfare of humanity in the light of Christian principles and to counsel the Church in the Christian solution of the problems of society." This charge requires constant study of the meaning and message of the Christian faith for community life and social welfare. Thus we are eager to accept the assignment under the Faith and Life report to make a study of Christian Social Responsibility in the light of the full teachings of Scripture, the witness of the Confessions thereto, and including all the pertinent pronouncements of the U.L.C.A. A group of eight theologians, two members of the Board of Social Missions, and two of our staff have been at work on this assignment for over a year. When their report is completed, a church-wide series of conferences should be held to consider their findings.

This Board co-operated with the Executive Board in developing the statement, "The United Lutheran Church in America Speaks on World Order." A School on World Order, jointly sponsored by the Board of Social Missions and Hartwick College, was held at Oneonta, June 27 to July 1, 1949. Sixty-two delegates, officially appointed by 13 synods, and 18 volunteers, participated in the sessions concerned with four major topics: "Soviet-American Relations," "The United Nations," "The European Recovery Program," and, "The Church's Program for Peace." Worship and Bible study made this school a powerful spiritual force. For this Board it represented a new type of co-operative venture with the synods of the Church in developing leadership and programs for social action.

The unanimous request for a similar school came from those in attendance at Oneonta. The subject requested by the majority was some phase of Christian marriage and family life. Plans for such a school (or institute) are being considered by the department.

### Cleveland Message Workshops

Following the second Cleveland study conference on "The Churches and World Order" in March 1949, the "Message and Findings" of this conference were sent to all pastors. The Board of Social Missions participated in the planning and conduct of eight interdenominational Workshops on American Foreign Policy held later that year in major cities from Fargo, North Dakota to Albany, New York.

### Schools of Community Relations

In an effort to implement the statement, "The Church Speaks on Labor," the Board of Social Missions has co-operated with local synodical or conference groups in the field of economic life and industrial relations. Topics in the field of Christian teaching such as: "The Meaning of Christian Faith," "Christian Teaching on Money and Property," and "The Christian in the Church," have been joined with such topics as: "Wages, Prices and Profits," "Problems of Collective Bargaining," "Ideals and Realities in the Labor Movement," and "How to Participate in a Meeting." These Schools of Community Relations, as they sometimes have been called, are important both as lay leadership training projects and also as a means by which the Church can minister in the field of economic life. Given active leadership and promotion, they can be organized in any urban area. The Board of Social Missions stands ready to assist local groups in similar projects.

### Detroit Message

Following the Detroit Conference on the Church and Economic Life, February 16 to 19, 1950, its report, "The Responsibility of Christians in an Interdependent Economic World," was sent to all pastors with recommendation that it be considered for study by congregational groups.

### Race Relations

During this biennium the Board of Social Missions has been continuously concerned with the problem of race relations. A "Study Packet on Race" was developed for use in congregations and auxiliaries. This packet was designed to help local groups understand the Christian significance of this problem. It contained 11 pamphlets setting forth the spiritual and sociological issues involved. It also contained a Bible Study and Report Form. The Report Form was used to communicate to this Board the findings of the local study. At least 57 congregations made use of this packet in some form or other, and their findings, when reported, have aided in the development of a statement on human relations. When this statement is completed it will be reported to the Church. The "Study Packet on Race" is available from the United Lutheran Publication House. Its use will assist congregations to face the problems of race relations in their own communities.

Members of the Board of Social Missions, as individuals, have engaged in study of this problem, using documents in the "Study Packet on Race," the statement, “The Churches and Human Rights,” and other documents. The Secretary for Social Action has engaged in special research on this problem. His findings on Fair Employment Practice laws were reported in *The Lutheran,* October 19, 1949, in an article, “A Study in Black and White.” A study of the cultural background of our U.L.C.A. membership, as reported by 538 congregations replying to our questionnaire, resulted in the following data:

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| Number of U.L.C.A. congregations: | | 4,129 |
| Number of congregations all Caucasian | | 471 |
| Total number of mixed congregations | | 67 |
| Number less than 10% non-Caucasian | 65 | |
| Number between 11% and 25% non-Caucasian | 1 | |
| Number between 26% and 50% non-Caucasian: | 0 | |
| Number between 51% and 75% non-Caucasian: | 1 | |
| Number between 76% and 99% non-Caucasian: | 0 | |
| Number of congregations all Negro: | | 0 |

| | *Church Members* | *Sunday School Members* |
|---|---|---|
| Puerto Rican | 34 | 17 |
| Korean | 2 | 0 |
| Japanese-American | 19 | 13 |
| Chinese-American | 14 | 12 |
| Mexican | 10 | 18 |
| American Indians | 25 | 22 |
| Negro | 300 | 224 |
| Other | 7 | 4 |

We believe that this indicates a lack of balance in the development of a Lutheran ministry to all sections of the American people. We see in it the revelation of an opportunity for evangelism among people of varied cultural backgrounds. We must become more deeply concerned with the great command of our Lord to teach and baptize all nations. If we as a Church are to do this faithfully we shall need to know, and be concerned about, the serious conditions of human rights and human relations in America today.

Programs dealing with various phases of social action have been part of several synodical conventions. These are of great value in stimulating leadership for social action. The Board of Social Missions has further co-operated in developing such leadership by enabling pastors and lay people to participate in a variety of seminars, schools, and conferences in different sections of the Church.

### THE HYDROGEN BOMB

A memorandum on the Hydrogen Bomb, calling for study of this issue, was directed to all our congregations and reported to the Federal Congress and officials of government, together with a reminder of the serious responsibility to God they had in this matter. The memorandum is as follows:

*Memorandum on the Hydrogen Bomb*

*“The revelation of the possibility of developing a weapon of war, the so-called hydrogen bomb, based on thermonuclear fusion, incomparably greater in power than the atom bomb, and the decision of the government of the United States to proceed with the effort to construct such a bomb confronts every citizen, and especially every Christian, with an awesome moral issue. We note that with utter seriousness it has been stated by twelve leading atomic scientists that the ‘hydrogen bomb, if it can be made, would be capable of developing a power one thousand times greater than the present atom bomb. New York, or any other of the greatest cities of the world, could be destroyed by a single hydrogen bomb.’ They conclude that ‘no nation has the right to use such a bomb, no matter how righteous its cause. This bomb is no longer a weapon of war, but a means of extermination of whole populations. Its use would be a betrayal of all standards of morality and of Christian civilization itself. There can only be one justification for our development of the hydrogen bomb, and that is to prevent its use.’*

*“These scientists have further stated that ‘to create such an ever-present peril for all nations in the world is against*

*the vital interests of both Russia and the United States,' and that renewed efforts to eliminate this weapon and other weapons of mass destruction from the arsenals of all nations should be made. Pending the achievement of international agreement to eliminate such weapons of mass destruction, they urge the United States to solemnly declare that we shall never use this bomb first.*

*"Also it has been proposed by Senator Brien McMahon (January, 1950), Chairman of the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy in Congress, that fresh proposals for the control of atomic energy be made as a means of igniting a moral crusade for peace. This would involve the appointment of a board to re-examine the United Nations' plan for control of atomic energy. It should be accomplished by a larger, more intensive effort to present the American point of view and program to the Russian people. He also urged that upon international agreement sizable reductions in our defense appropriations be made and the savings be used internationally for constructive purposes.*

*"A group of churchmen have banded together to declare that:*

> *"'The very least that can be done in these circumstances is for our government to make a serious effort to resolve outstanding differences with the Soviet Union and to seek an agreement for international control of weapons of mass destruction, and speedy general disarmament. We plead that this effort be undertaken without delay.*
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> *"'It becomes increasingly clear, however, that the stalemate in which the negotiations between the Soviet Union and the United States have long been stalled, the suicidal armaments race, the apathy, the sense of frustration and helplessness, and even cynicism about any possibility of a radical improvement in the situation, which hold multitudes in its grip, will not yield to ordinary measures.'*

*"These proposals, which are in harmony with many suggestions from Christian sources, deserve to be considered seriously by Christian people as they make their own response to the need for an aroused and vocal public opinion. Christians should immediately communicate their views to their Representatives and Senators in Congress and to the President. Christians ought also to initiate and share in public discussion of this issue in order that it may be clarified for all, and all help to formulate our national policy.*

*"Christians must also guard against permitting despair to dominate their minds and the world's mind, thus cutting the will to constructive action. We are confronted by a fateful and awesome problem, but the Sovereign God is the Loving Father of all men and of all nations. He maketh wars to cease. There can be no assurance that our efforts will bring peace in our time. Nevertheless, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. Our hope is in Christ. With Him is the victory and in Him we trust."*

## Department of Evangelism

### THE LUTHERAN COMMISSION ON EVANGELISM

The Philadelphia convention, two years ago, gave unanimous approval to the program of the Lutheran Commission on Evangelism for 1949 and 1950. There was hopeful anticipation, supported by prayer and determination, that the Church would be about her chief business during these months. President Fry pleaded that, for the love of man and in testimony to our faith in the gospel, the members of the congregations of The United Lutheran Church in America always be Christ's eager and earnest witnesses, and especially in the forthcoming years of emphasis on evangelism. With such encouragement, added to the Lord's charge, "to witness to the whole world," those responsible for the program began preparations for the church-wide effort with great vigor.

The program is now in its closing months. Only about one thousand congregations remain to be reached. These will all be completed by Advent, 1950, except for a few communities, which for special reasons have been postponed until 1951. At this convention we, therefore, look back over the nearly completed task and attempt to inform the Church of what has been accomplished.

### A Church-wide Effort

The program of the Lutheran Commission on Evangelism, adopted by the eight bodies of the National Lutheran Council, has been truly churchwide in its scope. One-day pastors' conferences have been held within 25 miles of each parish of the National Lutheran Council bodies with but few exceptions. Eighty per cent of the pastors attended these conferences. Lay instruction institutes were held within 12 miles of every parish, again with very few exceptions. Seventy-five per cent of the parishes were represented by laymen. It is doubtful if a church-wide program was ever brought nearer home to every parish than this one.

### Leadership

The program was carried to the parishes by 600 able and consecrated pastors who were carefully selected and trained in two-day seminars. An equal number of pastors were chosen as area chairmen. They were briefed in promoting and organizing the program among small groups of parishes. Many other pastors and laymen served on state boards and special committees. It was only with the help of these willing and capable pastors and laymen that the program could succeed.

### Lay Witnessing

The main emphasis of the program was on lay witnessing. The laymen were instructed by their pastors and guest instructors to talk naturally to their neighbors about their faith in Christ as their personal Saviour, and to invite them to seek a saving relationship with him through the fellowship of his church. An earnest effort was made to have the laymen do more than make social calls and invite people to join the church or to renew their church membership. This was not a membership campaign. It was a program of Christian witnessing. It is estimated that approximately 150,000 laymen received the needed instruction.

### Conditioning the Congregation

Much time and effort was given, especially at the pastors' conferences, to urge pastors to prepare their congregations spiritually and mentally for evangelism. The whole congregation must be on fire with a passion for souls before any program of evangelism can be successful. Strong emphasis was placed on Bible study, congregational prayer practices, family devotions, and preaching missions. Considerable attention was given to better instruction of prospective members and their assimilation into the life of the church after their reception. These matters were regarded as foundations for an enduring evangelism that will bear its greatest fruits in the years to come.

### Tangible Results

The program produced immediate and tangible results even though the major emphasis was on parish preparation for a sound, continuing evangelism effort. The reports of 657 congregations scattered over 27 states and provinces illustrate this.

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| Congregations reporting | 657 |
| Interviews completed | 38,726 |
| Transfers of membership | 3,615 |
| Re-affirmation of faith | 3,144 |
| For the pastor's class | 4,955 |
| Total adults received into full membership | 11,714 |
| Children for baptism | 1,631 |
| Enrollment for church school | 2,685 |
| Average persons per congregation | 24 |

One area served, in which stress was added by synodical officers for better follow-up procedures in all parishes, reported the following stimulating results from 225 congregations:

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| Adults received—January 1 to May 28, 1950 | 6,121 |
| Infant baptisms—January 1 to May 28, 1950 | 1,837 |
| Total additions to baptized membership | 7,958 |
| Total additions to baptized membership—1949 | 3,850 |
| Net gain to May 28, 1950 | 4,108 |

The number of adults received by congregations of this one synod would make 30 plus congregations of 200 members each, or the net gain would be equivalent to 20 plus congregations of 200 baptized members. Another area reported 241 congregations in the state, the addition of 5,115 adults, or the equivalent for 51 congregations of 100 adult members each. Does not evangelism hold the key to the expanding life of the church?

### LITERATURE

Special attention was given by the Commission to the preparation of new, attractive and stimulating tracts and guides to help in promoting the program. This literature has been received most enthusiastically by pastors and laymen. It has had sales far beyond the expectation of any member of the Commission. The Lutheran Student Service has used sizable quantities. Samples have been requested from various countries and translations have been made into several languages. Other denominations have been most generous in their praise of it. The literature will be an asset to each of the bodies of the National Lutheran Council as they continue their own evangelism efforts.

### UNITED EVANGELISTIC ADVANCE

Under the leadership of the Department of Evangelism of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, agreement was reached by the majority of Protestant bodies in North America to make evangelism their main emphasis from October 1, 1949 through December 31, 1950. While each church was to follow its own method and be responsible for the program in its congregations, as far as possible it was to be a UNITED EVANGELISTIC ADVANCE. University Christian Missions, Preaching Missions, National Christian Missions to Teachers were combined with Lay Visitation Evangelism in an effort to make a lasting Christian impact upon America. Thousands of laymen have been active in promoting the program and in bearing witness to their Christian faith. Only God, not man, can measure its value.

Our Director of Evangelism and Executive Secretary were members of the committee directing the United Evangelistic Advance, the latter serving as secretary for the committee.

### AFTER 1950

The Board of Social Missions is certain that the Church has barely begun to realize and to deliver her full evangelistic strength. Every congregation can achieve more than has been done in winning people for Christ. After studying the results of our efforts so far and listening to pastors and laymen over the Church, the Board is preparing to activate a nine-point program beginning with 1951. This will demand the resources of the Board for the next five years. It includes:

1—*Lay Evangelism:* Chief emphasis will be given to the development and promotion of a year-round parish program of evangelism, and to community programs in strategic areas.

2—*Preaching Missions:* Such missions have proven to be effective in enriching the spiritual life of congregations, and should be more widely used.

3—*Family Worship:* The total prayer life of our congregations needs strong emphasis.

4—*Membership Transfer:* More care must be taken in our practices with nonresident members if we are to conserve the gains made through other methods of evangelism.

5—*Integrated Social Missions Program:* The Church must be concerned with all the people in the community and the conditions under which they live. This calls for an understanding of the interrelatedness of the varied functions of the Board.

6—*Co-operation with Other Boards and Agencies:* Evangelism should be a part of the whole program of the whole Church.

7—*Seminaries:* Greater evangelistic zeal should be imparted to our seminarians.

8—*Colleges:* Efforts should be made to win and hold more of our college students.

9—*Retreats and Evangelism Conferences:* Much can be accomplished in arousing and encouraging both pastors and laymen to greater activity in evangelism at retreats and conferences.

## Disaster Relief

The Board is devoutly grateful to God that no disaster was suffered by any of our congregations during the biennium.

When reports were received through the press in May of the serious flood in and about Winnipeg, Manitoba, letters were sent immediately to the president and chairman of the Social Missions Committee of the Synod of Western Canada, calling attention to the readiness of the Church, through this Board, to minister to congregations whose buildings and/or parsonages were damaged by flood. (See Minutes 1946, pages 458 and 459.) However, up to July 1 no report of any such damage was received.

### Schools of Social Missions

The plan of conducting Schools of Social Missions, begun in 1945, has proved of such benefit to the Board in increasing an interest in its work that they have been, and doubtless will be, continued. These schools offer an opportunity for the staff, through lectures and seminars, to orientate pastors to the program and services of the Board. In addition, recognized authorities on subjects related to the spheres of the Board's interests are brought in to make their contributions.

During the biennium, schools were held at the following places: 1949—Philadelphia Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Midland College, Fremont, Nebraska; Northwestern Seminary, Minneapolis, Minnesota. 1950—Hamma Divinity School, Springfield, Ohio.

### Scholarship Aid

In May, 1944, recognizing the need for trained social workers in church-related agencies, the Board authorized the inauguration of a Scholarship Aid Fund and appropriated $1,200 thereto. This fund was to be used for assisting persons interested in, and qualified for, graduate studies in the field of social work. Beginning with 1945, the Women's Missionary Society of the U.L.C.A. has made an annual grant of $2,000 to the Board for aid to young women students. For the first several years, until the existence of the fund became known, not too many made application for financial aid, *but*, during the past two years applicants have more than kept pace with the funds, although the Board increased its annual grant to $2,700 and unexpended balances have been used.

In 1949 and 1950 eight recipients of Scholarship Aid have graduated and are now working for Lutheran agencies. They are:

*James J. Raun*, University of Minnesota—with Lutheran Welfare Council of Minnesota.

*Marjorie Faraday*, University of Southern California—with Lutheran Welfare Council of Southern California.

*Bernice Samuels*, Fordham University—Lutheran Interracial Service of New York City.

*Rev. William G. Wise*, University of Nebraska—Resettlement Service, National Lutheran Council, Nebraska.

*Doris Reuel*, University of Michigan—Lutheran Charities, Detroit.

*Rev. David Belgum*, University of Boston—

*Charlotte Lipper*, Carnegie Tech—Social Missions Society of Western Pennsylvania.

*Paul Gesregan*, University of Pennsylvania (September 1950).

Four students have been approved for a second year in an accredited school of social work, and nine for the first year in similar schools. Several additional applications are pending awaiting more complete information. Aid to this increased number of persons is made possible through an action of the Allocation Committee in January 1950, when it appropriated $5,600 from Part II Benevolence for this purpose. This amount will be exhausted by June, 1951, if all approved applicants complete their work for the 1950-51 scholastic year.

### An Integrated Program

The Board and staff have been increasingly conscious of the interrelatedness of the three principal functions of their work. Although these functions are directed by separate departments and individual secretaries are assigned to work primarily in one department, on the congregational level it is more difficult to maintain the separateness. Nor is such division desirable. In reality, evangelism, inner missions, and social action are but facets of one integrated task.

Evangelism, when properly carried out in a community, will reveal to the visitors opportunities in the field of inner missions. And when inner mission tasks are faced, the need for Christian social action is brought to light. Therefore, no congregation rightly can neglect any of these areas of service because in fact they are one.

During the past year the Board has given considerable attention how best to make the congregation conscious of the whole social missions opportunity. Conferences have been held between members of the staff, Board members and the staff, with representative laymen of the Church, and with members of the faculties of our theological seminaries. Pioneer projects are being arranged in congregations serving widely differing types of communities to test out present plans. Within the year the beginning of a series of conferences with synodical social missions committees is planned as the next step in carrying an integrated program to the congregations themselves. It is believed that this will greatly strengthen the work of our synods and congregations.

### Recommendation

We recommend: That congregations, both in the United States and Canada, study the findings of the Mid-Century White House Conference on Children and Youth to be held in December 1950, so that (*a*) they may be informed about continent-wide efforts to provide more wholesome opportunities for all children, and (*b*) may participate constructively in community efforts to achieve this end. (Adopted, see below)

Respectfully submitted,

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Herman S. Keiter, Ph.D., *Secretary*
C. Franklin Koch, D.D., *Exec. Secretary*

Dr. Miller presented the above recommendation of the Board of Social Missions to the convention, and moved its adoption.

The motion was seconded and adopted.

Dr. Miller presented the report of the auditors (p. 636) and recommended its adoption.

The recommendation was adopted.

EXHIBIT "A"

## THE BOARD OF SOCIAL MISSIONS

### Treasurer's Report

### Balance Sheet

*June 30, 1950*

*Assets*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *General Fund:* | | |
| Cash on hand and in banks (Exhibit "C") | $ 14,846.88 | |
| United States Savings Bonds—Series "F"—Schedule I (Redemption value $13,715.80) | 12,358.00 | |
| Furniture and fixtures | 1.00 | |
| Travel advances | 2,200.00 | |
| General fund assets | | $ 29,405.88 |
| *Disaster Relief Fund:* | | |
| Cash in banks (Exhibit "D") | $ 10,169.42 | |
| Disaster Relief Fund assets | | 10,169.42 |
| *Memorial Fund:* | | |
| Cash in bank (Exhibit "D") | $ 1,000.00 | |
| Investments—Schedule I: | | |
| Savings and Loan Association | 4,400.52 | |
| Virginian Railway Company, common stock at cost (Market value $336.00) | 608.68 | |
| Memorial fund assets | | 6,009.20 |
| Total assets | | $ 45,584.50 |

*Liabilities and Funds*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *General Fund:* | | |
| General fund principal (Exhibit "E"): | | |
| Unexpended balances | $ 7,437.69 | |
| Available for general purposes | 21,968.19 | |
| General fund principal | | $ 29,405.88 |
| *Disaster Relief Fund:* | | |
| Disaster Relief Fund principal—Exhibit "F" | $ 10,169.42 | |
| | | 10,169.42 |
| *Memorial Fund:* | | |
| Memorial fund principal—Exhibit "F" | $ 6,009.20 | |
| | | 6,009.20 |
| Total liabilities and funds | | $ 45,584.50 |

Note—In addition to the assets enumerated above the Board has an interest of $51,322.87 in a trust fund held by the Western National Bank of York, York, Pennsylvania.

EXHIBIT "B"

## Balance Sheet

*June 30, 1949*

| *Assets* | | |
|---|---|---|
| *General Fund:* | | |
| Cash in banks—Exhibit "C" | $ 26,264.28 | |
| United States Savings Bonds, Series "F" at cost (Redemption value $13,351.60) | 12,358.00 | |
| Furniture and fixtures | 1.00 | |
| Travel advances | 1,950.00 | |
| Due from Talking Book Fund | 110.00 | |
| General fund assets | | $ 40,683.28 |
| *Disaster Relief Fund:* | | |
| Cash in banks—Exhibit "D" | $ 9,977.41 | |
| Disaster fund assets | | 9,977.41 |
| *Talking Book Fund:* | | |
| Cash in bank—Exhibit "D" | $ 521.28 | |
| Talking book fund assets | | 521.28 |
| *Memorial Fund:* | | |
| Investments: | | |
| Building and Loan Association | $ 2,042.41 | |
| Virginian Railway, common stock at cost (Market value $336.00) | 608.68 | |
| Memorial fund assets | | 2,651.09 |
| Total assets | | $ 53,833.06 |

Note—In addition to the assets enumerated above the Board has an interest of $50,248.07 in a trust fund held by the Western National Bank of York, York, Pennsylvania.

| *Liabilities and Funds* | | |
|---|---|---|
| *General Fund:* | | |
| General fund principal—Exhibit "E": | | |
| Unexpended balances | $ 13,944.00 | |
| Available for general purposes | 26,739.28 | |
| General fund principal | | $ 40,683.28 |
| *Disaster Relief Fund:* | | |
| Disaster Relief fund principal—Exhibit "F" | $ 9,977.41 | |
| | | 9,977.41 |
| *Talking Book Fund:* | | |
| Due to general fund | $ 110.00 | |
| Talking book fund principal—Exhibit "F" | 411.28 | |
| | | 521.28 |
| *Memorial Fund:* | | |
| Memorial fund principal—Exhibit "F" | $ 2,651.09 | |
| | | 2,651.09 |
| Total liabilities and funds | | $ 53,833.06 |

EXHIBIT "C"

## Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

### General Fund

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Operating Receipts:* | | | | |
| The United Lutheran Church in America: | | | | |
| Apportionment Part I | $ 61,399.98 | | $ 40,000.00 | |
| Apportionment Part II: | | | | |
| To balance CORE budget | .... | | 12,813.00 | |
| For Lutheran Commission on Evangelism | 13,692.43 | | 15,000.00 | |
| For Grants in Aid and Scholarships | 5,600.00 | | 3,425.00 | |
| Double Apportionment: | | | | |
| Special Evangelism | 1,800.00 | | 29,518.00 | |
| Trust fund income | 36.19 | | 29.55 | |
| | | $ 82,528.60 | | $100,785.55 |
| The Women's Missionary Society of The United Lutheran Church in America: | | | | |
| General Appropriation | $ 11,250.00 | | $ 3,000.00 | |
| For social worker in Harlem | .... | | 2,500.00 | |
| For scholarships | .... | | 2,000.00 | |
| For immigrant worker's salary | 50.00 | | 2,500.00 | |
| | | 11,300.00 | | 10,000.00 |
| Contributions: | | | | |
| Children of the Church—for designated purposes | $ 1,269.10 | | $ 1,344.62 | |
| German Society of New York | 360.00 | | 360.00 | |
| Miscellaneous | 177.63 | | 253.03 | |
| | | 1,806.73 | | 1,957.65 |
| Sales: | | | | |
| "A Message for the Day" subscriptions | $ 4,786.89 | | $ 5,116.20 | |
| Other literature | 590.95 | | 2,702.98 | |
| | | 5,377.84 | | 7,819.18 |
| Other income: | | | | |
| John A. Hoober Trust Fund | $ 2,107.20 | | $ 2,309.81 | |
| Savings account interest | .... | | 3.31 | |
| | | 2,107.20 | | 2,313.12 |
| Refunds of travel expenses: | | | | |
| Board of Inner Missions | $ 500.00 | | .... | |
| Pennsylvania Ministerium | .... | | $ 517.85 | |
| Central Pennsylvania Synod | .... | | 1,733.71 | |
| Others | 297.69 | | 55.29 | |
| | | 797.69 | | 2,306.85 |
| Refund of surplus—Hartwick School on World Order | | 75.03 | | .... |
| Total operating receipts | | $103,993.09 | | $125,182.35 |
| *Other Receipts:* | | | | |
| Transfer from Memorial Fund | $ 91.26 | | $ 91.26 | |
| Transfer from "A Message for the Day" accrual | .. | | 10.28 | |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| Sale of investments | .... |  | 7,970.00 |  |
| Repayment of advance—Talking Book Fund | 110.00 | 201.26 | .... | 8,071.54 |
| Total receipts |  | $104,194.35 |  | $133,253.89 |
| *Operating Disbursements:* |  |  |  |  |
| Executive Secretary, Rev. C. Franklin Koch, D.D.: |  |  |  |  |
| Salary and house allowance | $ 6,700.04 |  | $ 6,300.00 |  |
| Traveling expenses | 1,217.60 | $ 7,917.64 | 1,029.30 | $ 7,329.30 |
| Department of Evangelism: |  |  |  |  |
| Director of Evangelism, Rev. Royal E. Lesher: |  |  |  |  |
| Salary and house allowance | $ 5,800.04 |  | $ 5,299.92 |  |
| Traveling expenses | 443.83 | 6,243.87 | 983.39 | 6,283.31 |
| Associate Director of Evangelism, Rev. Peter J. Dexnis |  |  |  |  |
| Salary | $ 5,200.04 |  | $ 4,699.92 |  |
| Traveling expenses | 716.56 | 5,916.60 | 752.97 | 5,452.89 |
| Second Associate Director of Evangelism, Rev. Clifton M. Weihe: |  |  |  |  |
| Salary | $ 4,000.00 |  | .... |  |
| Traveling expenses | 415.89 | 4,415.89 | .... | .... |
| Extra worker—Evangelism |  | .... |  | 977.04 |
| Lutheran Commission on Evangelism: |  |  |  |  |
| Appropriation to operational budget | $ 10,991.81 |  | $ 25,000.00 |  |
| Appropriation to administrative budget | 7,218.62 | 18,210.43 | 7,218.62 | 32,218.62 |
| Special Evangelism: |  |  |  |  |
| Travel expenses | $ 2,275.77 |  | $ 1,337.67 |  |
| Display | .... |  | 345.00 |  |
| Promotion expense | 728.09 | 3,003.86 | 113.50 | 1,796.17 |
| Evangelism—Northwest Synod |  | 115.25 |  | .... |
|  |  | $ 37,905.90 |  | $ 46,728.03 |
| Department of Inner Missions: |  |  |  |  |
| Secretary for Inner Missions, Rev. Francis A. Shearer: |  |  |  |  |
| Salary and house allowance | $ 5,600.02 |  | $ 5,100.00 |  |
| Traveling expenses | 1,237.27 | $ 6,837.29 | 1,013.58 | $ 6,113.58 |
| Immigrant work: |  |  |  |  |
| Worker's salary—Ellis Island | $ 2,600.00 |  | $ 2,515.00 |  |
| Assistant worker's salary—Ellis Island | 1,020.00 |  | .... |  |
| Worker's salary—Montreal | .... |  | 2,700.00 |  |
| Travel and incidental expenses | 249.58 | 3,869.58 | 172.44 | 5,387.44 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Lutheran Interracial Service | | 3,965.89 | | .... |
| "In Service" training | | 7.50 | | .... |
| Grants in Aid: | | | | |
| Ellis Island Relief | $ 150.00 | | $ 150.00 | |
| Pacific Synod | 1,850.00 | | 750.00 | |
| Western Canada Synod | 1,630.00 | | 1,560.00 | |
| Williams-Henson Home for Boys | 300.00 | | 312.48 | |
| Lutheran Welfare Society of Oregon | 500.00 | | .... | |
| Lutheran Welfare Council—Negro Work | .... | | 1,300.00 | |
| Lutheran Service Society of Northeast Ohio | .... | | 500.00 | |
| California Synod — Aged Work | .... | | 750.00 | |
| John Milton Society for the Blind | 100.00 | | 100.00 | |
| Student summer services | 11.25 | | 40.00 | |
| Work with Blind | 302.61 | | 12.50 | |
| California Synod | 2,000.00 | | 1,000.00 | |
| Work among Deaf | .... | | 95.47 | |
| South Carolina Synod | 1,150.00 | | .... | |
| Canada Synod | 1,350.00 | | .... | |
| Schools on community relations | 233.43 | 9,577.29 | .... | 6,570.45 |
| | | $ 24,257.55 | | $ 18,071.47 |
| Department of Social Action: | | | | |
| Secretary for Social Action, Rev. Harold C. Letts: | | | | |
| Salary and house allowance | $ 5,400.06 | | $ 4,899.96 | |
| Traveling expenses | 601.91 | | 838.87 | |
| Study of Christian Social Responsibility | 766.02 | 6,767.99 | .... | 5,738.83 |
| Promotion: | | | | |
| "A Message for the Day"—printing and mailing | $ 12,240.64* | | $ 1,623.13 | |
| Literature, printing and stationery | 1,545.05 | | 4,099.89 | |
| "A Message for the Day"—in Braille | 200.00 | | .... | |
| Convention | .... | | 222.33 | |
| Postage | 840.34 | | 601.20 | |
| Office library | 172.85 | | 221.37 | |
| Hartwick School on World Order | 58.04 | | 981.93 | |
| Regional conference and institutes | 456.81 | | 268.79 | |
| Schools for Social Missions and integrated program | 3,484.98 | | 1,396.57 | |
| Miscellaneous | 204.63 | 19,203.34 | 478.52 | 9,893.73 |

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* This amount includes printing costs due for but not paid in 1948-49 fiscal year.

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| Administrative: | | | | |
| Board and Committee travel expense | $ 2,479.99 | | $ 3,193.19 | |
| Clerical salaries | 4,973.87 | | 4,476.65 | |
| Office maintenance | 2,443.92 | | 2,443.92 | |
| Postage | 263.74 | | 334.78 | |
| Telephone and telegraph | 333.25 | | 254.58 | |
| Supplies | 635.56 | | 436.03 | |
| Audit | 325.00 | | 350.00 | |
| Bonding and insurance | 173.03 | | 350.45 | |
| Organization dues | 90.00 | | 67.00 | |
| Repairs | 18.94 | | 35.75 | |
| Office equipment | 289.21 | | 104.97 | |
| Contributory Pension Plan | 1,525.44 | 13,551.95 | 1,209.84 | 13,257.16 |
| Children of the Church—Disbursed for purposes for which received | | 2,407.38 | | .... |
| Department of Church architecture | | 200.00 | | .... |
| Scholarships | | 3,150.00 | | 4,080.00 |
| Post Cleveland Conference Grant | | .... | | 106.90 |
| Refund of prior years contribution received in error | | .... | | 200.00 |
| Lutheran Welfare Council, for work among Negroes from Women's Missionary Society | | .... | | 1,875.00 |
| | | $ 45,280.66 | | $ 35,151.62 |
| Total operating disbursements | | $115,361.75 | | $107,280.42 |
| *Other Disbursements:* | | | | |
| Increase in travel advances | $ 250.00 | | $ 450.00 | |
| Advanced to Talking Book Fund | .... | 250.00 | 110.00 | 560.00 |
| Total disbursements | | $115,611.75 | | $107,840.42 |
| *Summary:* | | | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of fiscal year | | $ 26,264.28 | | $ 850.81 |
| Receipts | | 104,194.35 | | 133,253.89 |
| | | $130,458.63 | | $134,104.70 |
| Disbursements | | 115,611.75 | | 107,840.42 |
| Cash balance, end of fiscal year | | $ 14,846.88 | | $ 26,264.28 |

EXHIBIT "D"

## Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

## Other Funds

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | Disaster Relief Fund | Talking Book Fund | Memorial Fund | "A Message for the Day" Accrual |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Cash balance, July 1, 1948 | $ 9,789.17 | $512.28 | .... | $10.11 |
| *Receipts:* | | | | |
| Interest on Savings Bank Accounts | 188.24 | 9.00 | .... | .17 |
| Dividends | .... | .... | $ 91.26 | .... |
| Advance from general fund | .... | 110.00 | .... | .... |
| Total receipts | $ 188.24 | $119.00 | $ 91.26 | $ .17 |
| | $ 9,977.41 | $631.28 | $ 91.26 | $10.28 |
| *Disbursements:* | | | | |
| Transferred to general fund | .... | .... | $ 91.26 | $10.28 |
| Purchase of equipment | .... | $110.00 | .... | .... |
| Total disbursements | .... | $110.00 | $ 91.26 | $10.28 |
| Cash balance, June 30, 1949 | $ 9,977.41 | $521.28 | .... | .... |
| Cash balance, July 1, 1949 | $ 9,977.41 | $521.28 | .... | .... |
| *Receipts:* | | | | |
| Interest on Savings Bank Accounts | $ 192.01 | .... | .... | .... |
| Bequests received | .... | .... | $3,358.11 | .... |
| Dividends | .... | .... | 91.26 | .... |
| Total receipts | $ 192.01 | .... | $3,449.37 | .... |
| | $10,169.42 | $521.28 | $3,449.37 | .... |
| *Disbursements:* | | | | |
| Transferred or repaid to general fund | .... | $110.00 | $ 91.26 | .... |
| Purchase of equipment and supplies | .... | 411.28 | .... | .... |
| Funds invested | .... | .... | 2,358.11 | .... |
| Total disbursements | .... | $521.28 | $2,449.37 | .... |
| Cash balance, June 30, 1950 | $10,169.42 | .... | $1,000.00 | .... |

EXHIBIT "E"

## General Fund Principal

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Balance, beginning of fiscal year | | $ 40,683.28 | | $ 22,109.81 |
| Add: | | | | |
| Operating receipts (Exhibit "C") | $103,993.09 | | $125,182.35 | |
| Operating disbursements (Exhibit "C") | 115,361.75 | | 107,280.42 | |
| Operating surplus or (deficit) | | (11,368.66) | | 17,901.93 |
| Transfer from memorial fund | | 91.26 | | 91.26 |
| Transfer from "A Message for the Day" accrual | | .... | | 10.28 |
| Gain on sale of investments | | .... | | 570.00 |
| Balance, end of fiscal year | | $ 29,405.88 | | $ 40,683.28 |
| Allocated as follows: | | | | |
| Unexpended balances: | | | | |
| Lutheran commissions on Evangelism and special Evangelism | $ 4,781.35 | | $ 12,299.38 | |
| Grants in Aid: | | | | |
| Industrial relations schools | .... | | 100.00 | |
| "A Message for the Day" in Braille | .... | | 200.00 | |
| Children of the Church—chapel work | 206.34 | | 1,344.62 | |
| Scholarship grants | 2,450.00 | | .... | |
| | $ 7,437.69 | | $ 13,944.00 | |
| General purpose | 21,968.19 | | 26,739.28 | |
| Balance, end of fiscal year | | $ 29,405.88 | | $ 40,683.28 |

EXHIBIT "F"

## Other Fund Principal

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | 7/1/1949 to 6/30/1950 | 7/1/1948 to 6/30/1949 |
|---|---|---|
| *Disaster Relief Fund:* | | |
| Balance, beginning of fiscal year | $ 9,977.41 | $ 9,789.17 |
| Add: Interest on savings accounts | 192.01 | 188.24 |
| Balance, end of fiscal year | $ 10,169.42 | $ 9,977.41 |
| *Talking Book Fund:* | | |
| Balance, beginning of fiscal year | $ 411.28 | $ 512.28 |
| Add: Interest on savings account | .... | 9.00 |
| | $ 411.28 | $ 521.28 |
| Deduct: Purchase of recording equipment and supplies | 411.28 | 110.00 |
| Balance, end of fiscal year | .... | $ 411.28 |

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Brackets (  ) denote red figures.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *Memorial Fund:* | | |
| Balance, beginning of fiscal year | $ 2,651.09 | $ 2,651.09 |
| Add: Income from investments | 91.26 | 91.26 |
| Bequests: | | |
| Rudolph Reichwald Estate | 2,358.11 | .... |
| John Keller Estate | 1,000.00 | .... |
| | $ 6,100.46 | $ 2,742.35 |
| Deduct: Transfer to general fund | 91.26 | 91.26 |
| Balance, end of fiscal year | $ 6,009.20 | $ 2,651.09 |
| *"A Message for the Day" Accrual:* | | |
| Balance, beginning of fiscal year | .... | $ 10.11 |
| Add: Interest on savings account | .... | .17 |
| | .... | $ 10.28 |
| Deduct: Transfer to general fund | .... | 10.28 |
| | .... | .... |

## Investments

*June 30, 1950*

SCHEDULE I

| Par Value | BONDS | Book Value | Market or Redemption Value |
|---|---|---|---|
| $ 6,700 | United States Savings, Series "F," due 4/1/54 | $ 4,958.00 | $ 5,855.80 |
| 10,000 | United States Savings, Series "F," due 7/1/57 | 7,400.00 | 7,860.00 |
| | | $ 12,358.00 | $ 13,715.80 |
| Shares | STOCKS | | |
| 12 | Virginian Railway Company, common | $ 608.68 | $ 336.00 |
| | OTHER INVESTMENTS | | |
| | Citizens Savings and Loan Association of Montgomery County, Inc., Silver Springs, Maryland | $ 4,400.52 | $ 4,400.52 |
| | Total | $ 17,367.20 | $ 18,452.32 |
| | Held for the following funds: | | |
| | General fund | $ 12,358.00 | |
| | Memorial fund | 5,009.20 | |
| | | $ 17,367.20 | |

### Accountant's Certificate

The Board of Social Missions
New York, New York

We have examined the balance sheets of The Board of Social Missions of The United Lutheran Church in America for the years ended June 30, 1950 and June 30, 1949 and the related statements of cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying balance sheets and related statements of cash receipts and disbursements present fairly the financial position of the Board as at June 30, 1950 and June 30, 1949 and the results of its operations for the years then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles, applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding biennium.

Tait, Weller & Baker
*Certified Public Accountants*

New York, New York
July 13, 1950

Dr. Miller introduced, and the president greeted, the Rev. C. Franklin Koch, executive secretary of the Board, who in turn presented the Rev. Royal E. Lesher, the Rev. Harold C. Letts, and the Rev. Francis A. Shearer. With the aid of large visual charts and pictures, each of the members of the staff stressed a department of the Board's work, and invited the convention's continuing study of and participation in the Board's services.

Dr. Miller then introduced to the convention the Rev. O. Frederick Nolde, Dean of the Graduate School of the Lutheran Theological Seminary in Philadelphia and Director of the Commission of the Churches on International Affairs, established by the World Council of Churches and the International Missionary Council.

Dr. Fry, in recognizing Dr. Nolde, styled him "one of the most useful Christian citizens in the world today."

Dr. Nolde addressed the convention centering his remarks around the special statement furnished to the delegates by the Board of Social Missions entitled "A Christian Outlook on a Troubled World." Dr. Nolde is the author of the statement.

The speaker drew attention to the nine numbered propositions included in the statement, and suggested that congregations discuss them and use them as the basis for appropriate action.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the president asked whether the convention desired the extension of the session long enough to complete the report of the Board of Social Missions.

It was moved and carried that a fifteen-minute extension of time be made.

Having gained the common consent of the convention, the president granted the Board of Social Missions its request to insert the statement "A Christian Outlook on a Troubled World" as a part of the Board's report to this convention. (For action, see pp. 639, 979, 980)

## A CHRISTIAN OUTLOOK ON A TROUBLED WORLD

At this moment of history all nations profess the desire for peace but, prompted by different philosophies and different motives, are moving dangerously to the threshold of world catastrophe. We need to recognize penitently our own shortcomings in this situation, and they are many. At the same time, we are forced to the conclusion that Soviet powers, in seeking their goal of material betterment by riding roughshod over the spiritual reality of man and by using processes of coercion, infiltration, and revolution, stand as the major obstacle to peace and to the operation of peaceful methods for the solution of perplexing world problems.

The crucial test of this fateful hour will appear in the extent to which the majority of the world's nations can cleanse themselves from unrighteous practices which invite the spread of Communism, guard against vindictiveness which accelerates open conflict, and in the process of increasing their military might, nevertheless stand ready and eager for reconciliation of differences. The responsibility for meeting this test rests with equal urgency upon *people* and *governments.*

*WE PRAY FOR ALL MEN EVERYWHERE* that their minds may be open to God's truth and their hearts responsive to His will. We are convinced that the rank and file of people throughout the world fervently desire peace and are willing to spend themselves and to be spent for its achievement. To our own members and to all men of good will, we say:

1) While unhesitatingly condemning the evils of others which contribute to the world's distress, *resist* in season and out of season *self-righteousness* and *hatred* which give impulse to the monstrosity of a holy war.

2) While fully recognizing the dangers ahead, *avoid hysteria* which robs action of perspective and plunges mankind headlong into needless agony.

3) While pressing for the most speedy conclusion of our present plight, *be prepared in patience to persevere* in what may continue as a long drawn-out struggle.

4) While momentarily restricted by artificial "curtains," *remember the bonds of humanity and faith* which unite men of different nations and races.

5) While supporting with willing sacrifice human effort to meet the present crisis, *place full reliance upon Almighty God* who is the source of comfort in distress and of inspiration for effective action.

*WE PRAY FOR ALL GOVERNMENTS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD* that they may forsake policies which surely move to destruction and may find such relationships with each other as will permit men to lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty. Upon the Government of the United States, by virtue of its present power and its tradition of freedom, rests an inescapable responsibility to lead the way in reversing the mad trend toward a third world war. While the tasks to be performed are innumerable and far-flung, we believe that at this moment our Government should:

1) Anticipating the possible recurrence elsewhere of what happened in Korea, support in the United Nations every measure which will serve to deter further aggression, as for example, the operation of a network of international observer commissions to be located at every potential danger spot throughout the world.

2) While making clear its reluctant but sufficient readiness to meet military aggression, demonstrate even greater readiness to co-operate in creating a world setting in which conflicting ideologies may compete peacefully; and, meanwhile, to guard against incidents which could precipitate fighting on a world scale.

3) In opposing the enemies of freedom, guard against the use of totalitarian methods which are condemned in others, set an example of true democracy in domestic practice, and speed the completion of an adequate International Covenant on Human Rights.

4) Recognizing that Soviet Communism finds an open door in areas of economic deficiency, press forward with a program for the economic development of those countries where such assistance is needed.

In urging policies of this kind, we sustain our belief in the dignity of man in God's sight and we offer no compromise on the observance of human rights and freedoms in every society. We stress particularly that the goals which we seek must be gained through international action, and that support of the United Nations will at this time provide the best safeguard against the selfish interests of any single nation or group of nations.

The struggle for peace must go forward unremittingly and men must be driven by conviction that the peace can yet be won. In these trying days and always, we pray God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, for the faith which will enable us to stand in face of principalities and the powers of darkness. From Him alone can come strength to make the expression of our faith adequate for the needs of our day.

The Rev. Edmund A. Steimle presented the following recommendation:

> "Moved that the Supplemental Report of the Board of Social Missions entitled, 'A Christian Outlook on a Troubled World,' be adopted by this convention and that our congregations be urged to use this statement as a basis for study and action."

The Rev. Henry B. Luffberry presented the following amendment to the above supplemental report:

> "Moved to strike the words 'Soviet powers, in seeking' in the first paragraph and substituting therefor the words, 'nations that seek.' " (Amendment corrected, see p. 854)

The motion to amend was seconded.

The Rev. G. Elson Ruff presented a motion to table the recommendation and its amendment.

The motion was carried. (For further action, see pp. 979-980)

Mr. Virgil W. Doub, the chairman of the Committee on Conduct of Elections announced the location of the ballot boxes, and indicated that the polls for the first ballot for members of elective boards and agencies, and for the editorship of *The Lutheran* would be closed, at 2:00 P.M. this day.

The president called attention to the fact that the registration of delegates to this convention would be officially closed, as provided in the by-laws, at 12:15 P.M. this day.

The president declared the session adjourned, and the chaplain led the convention in a closing prayer.

## THIRD MEETING

### Second Session

KRNT Radio Theater, Des Moines, Iowa
Friday, October 6, 1950, 2:00 P.M.

Devotions were conducted by the chaplain.

President Fry declared ballot number one for members of ULCA elective boards and agencies, and for the editorship of *The Lutheran* closed.

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Dr. Earl S. Erb, chairman of the Commitee on the Minutes of the convention, offered the following report:

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINUTES

The minutes of the Second Meeting, Morning and Afternoon sessions, have been mimeographed and distributed to the delegates.

WE RECOMMEND that the minutes of those sessions, as distributed, be approved by the convention.

The recommendation of the committee was adopted.

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The president called for the presentation of the report of the Committee of Reference and Counsel. Its chairman, Dr. James C. Kinard, presented the following report:

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REFERENCE AND COUNSEL

1. We recommend that The United Lutheran Church in America send official greetings to the American Lutheran Church now in convention assembled at Columbus, Ohio; and that in the message we include a statement of our action on the reports of the Joint Commissions on the Hymnal and the Liturgy;
2. We recommend that the greetings of our Church in Japan be acknowledged with the hearty good wishes of the convention;
3. We recommend that the convention receive and record with cordial appreciation the message from the president of The United Evangelical Lutheran Church in Australia; and that the nature and method of response be left to the president and the secretary of The United Lutheran Church in America;
4. We recommend that immediately following this report, Mr. Einer P. Juel of the local committee be given the floor, not to exceed five minutes, to outline the plans for the outing planned for tomorrow afternoon.

Recommendations 1, 2, 3 and 4 were adopted.

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Mayor Einer P. Juel, of Council Bluffs, Iowa, in accordance with recommendation No. 4, on behalf of the Host Committee invited the delegates and visitors to attend the outing planned at the Iowa State Fair Grounds for Saturday afternoon, October 7. Mayor Juel described the program plan and told the convention of the transportation facilities available. Later in the session he indicated that a nominal charge would be made for the dinner feature of the afternoon.

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The president called for the report of the Board of American Missions.

# REPORT OF THE BOARD OF AMERICAN MISSIONS

## Its Task

The Board of American Missions considers its primary task the gathering and nurture of new congregations. To that end it considers every inadequately churched community in North America and the island possessions of any North American nation a challenge to its attention.

In the fulfillment of this primary task it is conscious of its dependence upon and subservience to the synods and the Church itself. It fully subscribes to the polity that recognizes that the ultimate power of the Church inheres in the congregation. It therefore recognizes that every organized mission, no matter how young, is a church in itself, in the spirit of our Lord himself who says, "Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

Thus even a newly born mission has certain rights, some of which it may exercise directly, and others of which it delegates to the synod to which it commits itself. The Board therefore is not a superbody in an ecclesiastical sense. Its control over missionaries and fields is radically diminished as soon as a mission congregation is organized and even more so when it exercises its right to call its own pastor. All that then remains of the Board's authority is that which belongs to its good stewardship of the funds which have been entrusted to it and the home mission congregations' and pastors' financial obligations to it.

## Its Stewardship

The complement of this relationship is the commission which the Church has given to the Board to occupy the land. "The Church must be planted" is its marching order. And given the men and the money, the Board can church every part of North America that is unreached by Lutheran Christianity. This it has demonstrated throughout its history and again in the biennium now in review. It has always moved ahead as fast as its resources have permitted it. Its funds are continually all in use. It has never laid up more than is necessary to guarantee its commitments as to missionaries' salaries for one year ahead and to hasten church building operations by advancing construction loans. Its commercial investments in other than short term securities are relatively small and consist chiefly of funds received from legacies.

At the time of this report it has committed for missionaries' salaries practically all the income that it can foresee through the remainder of 1950 and 1951. At every Board meeting through the biennium and to date it has used up all available loan funds for church buildings and parsonages, committing itself only for those for which it can foresee money from repayments or other dependable sources prior to the next succeeding meeting.

It has also largely used up the supply of men available. It could man no additional missions or developing fields without taking men from churches they are now serving and thus creating new vacancies. There is optimism for the future in the increasing number of students enrolled in the theological seminaries. But to use them in home missions will require increased appropriations and allocations to this Board from the benevolences of the Church.

## Its Opportunities

Meanwhile the one activity the Board feels should not be curtailed is the investigation of new fields. The creation of regional home mission committees by the Division of American Missions of the National Lutheran Council, far from restricting U.L.C.A. operations as was feared by some, has revealed such a large number of unchurched areas as to assure openings for many more congregations than the Board has been able to enter and develop. There is little doubt that, again to say "given the men and the money," the Board could do its full share of organizing 5000 new Lutheran churches in the latter half of this century as the Division of American Missions proposes. That would mean one every week for the U.L.C.A., a record which was already maintained the first half of this year.

The Board wishes to let no opportunity that is called to its attention go without investigation. It now has 75 undeveloped fields on its list, not counting the 50 some worked by its surveyors in the summer of 1950.

### Its Record

The report of its fundamental accomplishments through the biennium is set forth in the accompanying "Field Record." This tabulation shows by dates the five primary steps in the development of congregations in which the Board has acted between July 1, 1948 and June 30, 1950. (Prior dates, included for historical value, appear in light face type.) These steps are: (1) the approval of the field for occupancy, (2) the opening of regular worship services (or the entrance of a full-time mission developer upon the field), (3) the organization of a congregation, (4) the beginning of salary aid to a resident missionary called by the congregation, and (5) the appropriation of a church building loan. (Fields approved for occupancy but not yet entered are not indicated on this tabulation.)

The tabulation shows some fields that were assigned to synods for investigation and also some older congregations that were admitted to mission status so that they might be given special aid to foster their continuing life. Of these more will be said below.

### Surveying the Fields

#### New Fields

New communities are springing up from coast to coast and from the northern mining regions to the gulf of Mexico. Population has been growing at a rapid rate and families have been increasingly mobile, especially since the second world war. These are factors that present constantly renewed challenges to the Board. One hundred twenty-one fields were surveyed during the biennium, but even so the number that was opened to it was not by any means exhausted. On the other hand it keeps increasing at an accelerated rate. More than 200,000 individuals were contacted, of whom 150,000 are adults. Thanks to the care of synodical mission authorities the fields on their territories most needful of the gospel have been selected, with the result that of the 100 new fields surveyed 72 showed need for the development of a congregation.

#### Rehabilitation

Twenty-one of the fields surveyed were those in which U.L.C.A. churches already were located. These are made at the request of synodical authorities for the purpose of diagnosing special situations, usually with the purpose of helping strengthen a weak congregation or enabling one more adequately to serve its community. Such surveys entail much consultation and counseling. In some instances this was sufficient help, but in 17 of them the churches were granted mission status. That is the Board's designation of an older church that is made eligible again to receive salary aid or a church extension loan or both. Usually such missions attain self-support in a shorter period than do new congregations. Particularly pressing problems among these are those of the central city churches. The common conception that their areas are being depopulated is in most instances erroneous. In one such area surveyed by one of the Board's women workers more than 4000 children were discovered living within walking distance of the church building who had never attended Sunday school or church services. Needless to say that church is being aided in every way possible in its task of evangelizing its local field.

#### Rural Needs

When the Board called its first staff secretary for the division of survey and research, stress was laid upon his duty to pay particular attention to rural church needs. During the past biennium, in addition to the continuing and cumulative activities in this direction, the Board has sponsored eight rural church institutes in as many different synods. In February a church-wide institute for leaders in rural work was held in Chicago which has been used as a pattern for others in the synods and conferences. Notable as a result of the biennium's work was the development of a questionnaire by synodical rural church authorities and the findings that it revealed. It was sent to all pastors of rural churches in the U.L.C.A. and 64 per cent responded. It showed that the predominantly rural sections of the U.L.C.A. are in the south and east; that 62 per cent of the rural communities have increased in population in the past biennium, and 73 per cent of the congregations have increased in membership. It showed that the average number of square miles in a parish is 123, and that the average number of churches in a pastorate is a little short of two. The pastors preach less than two sermons a week, but travel on an average 10,427 miles in their cars annually at a cost of $490. Ninety-two per cent have parsonages, most of them with modern facilities, 63 per cent with good sanitary provisions (only .05 per cent poor) and 90 per cent with electricity. Less than 1 per cent have salaries under $1600, 12 per cent over $3200 and the majority fairly evenly distributed between $2000 and $3000. Their average stay in a parish is 6.18 years, and in rural work 12.86 years. A little over half have rural background and only 18 per cent any specific training for rural work. Yet almost half hold daily vacation Bible schools and more than one-fourth hold weekday religious schools and leadership training. The conclusion of a staff secretary is that the spirit of the pastors is truly sacrificial and that they are showing increased interest in the life and growth of their churches.

### Division of Survey and Research

The chairman of the divisional committee for Survey and Research is board member R. Homer Anderson, D.D., and its staff secretary is the expansive Rev. Karl S. Henry.

### Training DP Pastors

Secretary Henry has been also chairman of a staff committee to which has been assigned a very special task, the preparation of pastors among the "delayed pilgrims" (as Dr. Kirsch calls the displaced persons) for ministry in America in accordance with the traditions and practices that characterize Lutherans in the new world. During the biennium these two secretaries have had conferences or official correspondence that will doubtless lead to personal interviews here with more than 50 DP pastors both in North America and the camps in Europe. Thirty-three ordained ministers have been or are being given opportunity for clinical training in established congregations under U.L.C.A. pastors for periods of approximately six months each. Nine of them completed their training within the biennium and several were called to serve in all-English parishes. They come from Latvia, Estonia, Lithuania, Czechoslovakia, Poland, Finland, and Rumania. These men are deeply concerned with the spiritual welfare of their fellow men. Many of them came on secular assurances and were called to the Board's attention by their employers or pastors who discovered that they were ordained ministers. The Church allocated $53,000 during the biennium for this task which it assigned to the Board. This sum has been wholly committed, and unless provision is made from overpayments of apportioned benevolences this important work will have to be curtailed in 1951. This would be a serious loss to the Church, for these Delayed Pilgrims are already bringing to its new life blood, a renewed spirit of service, and a world-wide vision that all helps to build it up as the Body of Christ.

### Congregations Training DP Pastors under the Board's Clinical Program

July 1, 1948 to July 1, 1950

| *Synod* | *Congregation* | *Pastor* | *DP Pastor* |
|---|---|---|---|
| N. Y | Christ, Buffalo, N. Y. | Strodel, John | Bartnicki, Theofil |
| Canada | Redeemer, Toronto, Ont. | Opperman, Henry | Cops, Adolph |
| Pa. Min. | Telford Parish, Telford, Pa. | Brobst, Charles | Dzirnis, Janis |
| N. Y. | Immanuel, Meriden, Conn. | Hagedorn, George | Ederma, Bruno |
| Canada | Redeemer, Montreal, Ont. | Neudoerffer, J. F. | Gaudins, Adolph |
| N. C. | Ascension, Shelby, N. C. | Sheppard, J. D. | Gulbis, Alfreds |

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| Ohio | Trinity, Akron, Ohio | Wiegman, Fred | Gulbis, Oswald |
| N. Y. | Holy Trinity, N. Y. City | Foelsch, Charles | Harjunpaa, Toivo |
| N. Y. | Advent, N. Y. City | Kline, Thomas | Hinno, Alexander |
| Nebr. | Grace, Lincoln, Nebr. | Lesher, Leland | Jesifer, Herbert |
| Canada | St. Mark's, Kitchener, Ont. | Jacobi, A. G. | Kergis, Edward |
| Pa. Min. | Trinity, Lancaster, Pa. | Bagger, Henry | Kirsfelds, Ansis |
| Kansas | First, Tulsa, Oklahoma | Whittecar, George | Kirsons, Paul |
| Canada | St. Peter, Kitchener, Ont. | Lotz, Albert | Kivisikk, August |
| S. C. | St. Matthew, Charleston, S. C. | Kinports, Paul | Kristbergs, Janis |
| N. W. | St. Paul, Neenah, Wisconsin | Roth, Samuel | Lamberts, Edward |
| Mich. | Trinity, Grand Rapids, Mich. | White, Ralph | Lazda, Janis |
| Pacific | Trinity, Longview, Wash. | Cauble, John | Machs, Edmund |
| Md. | St. Luke, Baltimore, Md. | Stuff, John | Mezezers, Valdis |
| Pittsburgh | First, Pittsburgh, Pa. | Stackel, Robert | Ozols, Albert |
| Canada | First, Toronto, Ont. | Grunwald, Albert | Pello, Otmar |
| N. Y. | St. John's, Jersey City, N. J. | Haas, Harold | Plank, Uno |
| Canada | First, Toronto, Ont. | Grunwald, Albert | Raudsepp, Karl |
| Pa. Min. | Zion (Olney) Phila., Pa. | Shetlock, Bela | Rolle, Valdemere |
| Canada | St. Paul's, Hamilton, Ont. | Mueller, Fred | Skrodelis, Alfreds |
| Virginia | Grace, Winchester, Va. | Eisenberg, Wm. | Tammaru, Philipp |
| Mich. | Trinity, Kalamazoo, Mich. | Wolf, Arthur | Turks, Janis |
| Cen. Pa. | Grace, Upper Darby, Pa. | Wagner, Paul | Zvirbulis, Edward |
| Florida | Trinity, St. Petersburg | Kahlenberg, H. V. | Rebane, Hans |
| Canada | St. John's, Petawawa, Ont. | Kirchhofer, J. L. | Mitulis, Alex |
| Pacific | Redeemer, Vancouver, B. C. | Sawyer, J. L. | Heinam, Manivald |
| Indiana | Grace, Columbia City, Ind. | Kleespie, G. L. | Isaks, Volrads |
| Indiana | First, Indianapolis, Ind. | Huffman, Paul E. | Nesulae, Peter |

### Occupying the Fields

The primary task of the Board is to plant the Church; so as soon as a field has been surveyed and approved for occupancy it undertakes to establish a congregation there, and if successful, to nourish it until it is wholly capable of self-support. This is largely the work of its division of English Missions, although its division of Special Missions enters this phase in the case of all fields requiring some use of a language other than English. The first step in this process is the sending of a mission developer into the field. In most cases this is a minister called by the Board and wholly supported by it. A few synods have staff workers of their own for this task, which is really the preferred procedure, but until all synods attain the strength and vision to bring that about, the Board feels its responsibility to provide such workers. During the biennium it used 54 board missionaries as mission developers, of whom 28 had been in the work before July 1948. On July 1, 1950 there were 44 of them in the Board's service.

#### DEVELOPING A CONGREGATION

The mission developer begins his work by a recanvass of the field, with a special view to interviewing those whom the original survey reported as good prospects for membership in the future church. As soon as he finds enough interested people to warrant holding services, and can secure a temporary meeting place, he announces and arranges the beginning of weekly worship periods, and the church is launched. Very seldom does such a tentative enterprise have to be abandoned, but usually within a few months there is sufficient strength to warrant formal organization of a congregation. This step must have the approval of the synodical authorities on the territory and of the staff secretary concerned, because the birth of a congregation has high significance not only for its members but for a synod, for the Board, for the U.L.C.A., and for the kingdom of God.

Therefore the Board has certain minimum standards as to number of members and the amount of support the new congregation itself can assume. Since it adopted such standards the mortality among mission congregations has become almost nil, and the attainment of self-support has been greatly hastened. Of greater significance, the influence of the mission congregations in the community and the attraction of souls to membership have been greatly enhanced.

### GETTING A PASTOR

Shortly after a congregation is organized it holds an every member visitation, and when it can assume a fair share of a pastor's salary it consults with the synodical authorities and exercises its right to call its own minister. This the Board always anticipates, and strives to be prepared to recommend a good mission pastor for whom it can in good conscience pay a large share of the salary. Frequently the new congregation calls the board missionary who has developed it, and while the Board would prefer to utilize the experience the man has gained there in some other field, yet if the man himself is inclined to accept the call the Board always gives its approval. During the past biennium 23 board missionaries accepted calls to the congregations they had developed and organized.

### SUPERVISION OF GROWING MISSIONS

Not the least of the Board's interests is the supervision of the congregations and pastors between the time of organization and self-support. Careful study is made of the reports that missionaries make every quarter. Progress is reviewed annually at the time applications are made for the next year's salary aid. Careful consideration and often active co-operation are given to the filling of vacancies after the resignation of home mission pastors. The normal period for continuance of salary aid is ten years, and since the minimum organization standards mentioned above were adopted it is becoming more and more common for congregations to become self-supporting as to salary in even shorter periods. Great joy is experienced whenever a mission attains the strength and ability to proceed without asking salary aid. During the biennium the following 54 congregations reached that goal:

Holy Trinity, Inglewood, Calif.
Trinity, Boulder, Colo.
Zion, Trinidad, Colo.
Trinity, Canon City, Colo.
St. John, Hollywood, Fla.
Memorial, St. Augustine, Fla.
St. Paul, Tampa, Fla.
Messiah, Decatur, Ga.
Redeemer, Macon, Ga.
Edgebrook, Chicago, Ill.
First, Hammond, Ind.
Christ, Evansville, Ind.
St. Matthew, Paducah, Ky.
Woodbine Pastoral Charge, Md.
Ascension, Baltimore, Md.
Calvary Pastoral Charge, Md.
Luther Memorial, Omaha, Nebr.
United, Spencer, Nebr.
Trinity, Runnemede, N. J.
Epiphany, Pleasantville, N. J.
Williamstown-Folsom Parish, N. J.
Our Saviour, Harmon-on-Hudson, N. Y.
St. John, Asheboro, N. C.
Gloria Dei, Cleveland, Ohio
Hungarian, Cleveland, Ohio
Reformation, Toledo, Ohio
St. John, London, Ohio
Stillwater-Perry Parish, Okla.
United, Eugene, Ore.
St. James. Portland, Ore.
Zion, Enola, Pa.
Holy Trinity, Erie, Pa.
Luther Memorial, Philadelphia, Pa.
St. Timothy, Philadelphia, Pa.
Trinity, Clarks Summit, Pa.
St. Paul, Shavertown, Pa.
Grace, Gouldsboro, Pa.
Holy Spirit, Philadelphia, Pa.
Trinity, Clairton, Pa.
Mt. Calvary, Erie, Pa.
Bethlehem, Etna, Pa.
Ridge Parish, S. C.
Memorial, Nashville, Tenn.
Reformation, Greeneville, Tenn.
Port Lavaca-Tivoli Parish, Tex.
Christ, Radford, Va.
Resurrection, Arlington, Va.
St. John, Beaver Dam, Wis.

St. Peter, Milwaukee, Wis.
Nativity, Milwaukee, Wis.
Resurrection, Juneau, Alaska
Guelph-Shantz Parish, Ontario
St. John's, Montreal, Que.
St. Michael's, Montreal, Que.

### HOME MISSIONS PAY!

In one respect home mission congregations are unique among the benevolence activities of the Church: they pay immediate cash dividends to the benevolence budget. From their very initiation they make regular payments. Some missions in their first year contribute as large a sum as they receive in salary aid. Thus the money invested in home missions comes back to the Church and is channeled to all the boards and agencies aided by the apportionment.

But the richest returns of home mission work are in redeemed souls and transformed lives. They make possible hundreds of Sunday schools where 65,000 children are taught the truths of God, regular church services reaching 150,000 people with the saving gospel of Christ, and a multiplicity of congregational activities through which the life and devotion and service of Christ's followers are manifested.

### THE MISSIONARIES

While the quest for men to develop and minister to the mission congregations was difficult, the situation was eased toward the end of the biennium by the larger classes graduating from the seminaries. The two year period closed with a smaller number of vacancies than the missions had for many years. One great problem has been the mounting living costs. The special "cost of living grants" given by the Board and increased from time to time as prices mounted were continued through 1949, but at the beginning of 1950 they were absorbed into the regular salary aid appropriations and the schedules of annual reductions were eased somewhat to encourage the mission congregations also to increase their salary payments. The Board is deeply appreciative of the mission pastors. They and their families constitute one of the noblest groups in the service of the Church. In the face of inadequate churches and equipment they reach out into their neighborhoods and go into the highways and the byways to win people for Christ and for church membership. Their quarterly reports to the Board indicate the magnitude and high quality of the ministry they render. Such work requires men of initiative, ingenuity, resourcefulness, energy, enthusiasm and perseverance. Withal they must have a vast fund of sanctified common sense. Above all they must be devoted to Christ and have a passionate liking for people.

### SYNODICAL COMMITTEES

In giving tribute to home mission workers there is another group that often remains unnoticed. These are the members of synodical home mission committees. Yet they fill a vital part in promoting home missions. They look out new fields, plan for new work, recommend pastors for vacant congregations, help find mission developers, supervise the missions on their territories and make recommendations for board aid. In their good judgment they also restrain congregations and pastors from inordinate demands. Their generous co-operation in furthering this phase of the Church's work is genuinely appreciated by the Board.

### ADDED TO THE CHURCH

Fifty-two new congregations were organized during the biennium. They have been planted in many states and in most of the synods. They have added a total of some 4,000 confirmed members to the rolls of the Church, an average of some 70 per congregation. It is significant that 55 per cent of the charter members of new congregations are received by letter of transfer, indicating the vital work of conservation done by home missions. But of real significance also is that the other 45 per cent are the direct result of evangelization. Most of them are received right out of the world, into the kingdom of our Lord.

In addition to the new missions administered by the Board 24 older parishes were given aid for longer or shorter periods. A grand total therefore of 76 missions were added to the roll of the Board.

### COVERING AMERICA

Two new states, Nevada and Idaho, were entered by the organization of U.L.C.A. congregations. A city in Louisiana was also approved for occupancy, and will doubtless see a congregation organized in 1951. The only states then without congregations of our body will be Utah, Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, and Rhode Island. In Canada the provinces without U.L.C.A. churches are New Brunsick, Newfoundland, and Prince Edward Island.

### DIVISION OF ENGLISH AND SPECIAL MISSIONS

This comprehensive work of guiding congregations from their gathering to self-support is under the care of chairman H. W. A. Hanson, D.D., his divisional committee for English home missions with the alert staff secretary A. M. Knudsen, D.D., and chairman A. A. Zinck, D.D., and his committee on Special missions with the faithful staff secretary Paul Andrew Kirsch, D.D.

## Special Missions

Special missions require special mention. With the retirement at the end of 1948 of the veteran secretary of linguistic interests, the Rev. Ernst A. Tappert, D.D., a great epoch in home mission achievement was marked. The vital work of saving the German Lutherans in western Canada, which occupied a great part of his attention, had been done. The Manitoba Synod in 1948 had changed its name to the Synod of Western Canada and for the first time accepted English as an official language at its convention. As reported to the Church at Philadelphia the last two German missions in the United States had become self-supporting. Similar developments were taking place in the churches using other European languages, and the Church could look forward with confidence to the time when English would be used in all congregations in North America.

With that in mind the Board in June 1949 changed the name of that division to "the Division of Special Missions," and combined with the care of bi-lingual missions the oversight of the mission to the Indians at Rocky Boy, Montana, of the mountain work at Konnarock, Virginia, and of the new activities involved in ministering to the DP's. These activities therefore have kept the personnel of that division fully occupied, especially the divisional secretary, the Rev. Paul Andrew Kirsch, D.D., who was called from his previous position of assistant to the executive secretary of the Board to this new combined portfolio.

### LINGUISTIC INTERESTS

It is good to be able to proclaim the gospel in more than one language. One hundred and eight linguistic missions and preaching—points in nine synods are aided by the Board—1 in Cree, 19 in the Finnish, 66 in the German, 2 in the Hungarian, 11 in the Icelandic, 1 in the Italian, 4 in the Latvian, 2 in the Slovak, and 2 in the Spanish languages. Other languages, such as Estonian, Lithuanian and Wendish, are also used on occasion. Every effort possible is being made to have every "linguistic congregation" render service to its constituency and community. Efforts are also being put forth to ready American and Canadian-born men of foreign extraction for the time when English alone will be used.

### DP's

As a result of the Board's clinical training program nine pastors are now engaged in full-time pastoral service—Teofil Bartnicki, Polish, in a self-supporting English congregation (Kendall, N. Y.); Toivo Harjunpaa, Finnish, in an English salary-aid mission (New Bedford, Mass.); Karl Raudsepp, Estonian, as an itinerant pastor, with headquarters in Montreal, Canada; Oswald Gulbis, Latvian, assigned temporarily to the Division of American Missions of The National Lutheran Council; Pavils Kirsons, Zanis Kristbergs, and Voldemars Rolle, Latvians, as pastors of organized *D*elayed *P*ilgrim congregations in Senatobia, Scott, and Clarksdale, Miss.; Edwards Zvirbulis, Latvian, in an English salary-aid pastoral charge (Barnegat City-Beach Haven Crest, N. J.); and Alfreds Skrodelis, Latvian, as an itinerant pastor, with headquarters in Kitchener, Canada.

### ROCKY BOY INDIAN WORK

A change in the administration of the Indian work occurred when Board Missionary George M. Overdier resigned effective March 31, 1950 to accept a call to a regular pastorate, and Board Missionary John E. Dehaan began his service in Rocky Boy on March 13, 1950. The new missionary has already set about to acquire the use of the Cree language. He offers his service to the Indians in this practical and heart-warming way:

> "Be proud that you are an Indian. But be the kind of an Indian that you have a right to be proud of. The Mission is not here to challenge you to imitate the White Man. We would but lead you to a sincere and dignified worship of the Great Father whom your fathers worshiped, and who has revealed His Goodness to all men everywhere by sending His Son Jesus Christ to be the Saviour of the world."

### SOUTHERN MOUNTAIN WORK

The past biennium has witnessed increasing developments in the three-fold ministry of healing, teaching, and preaching in the mountains of southwestern Virginia and western North Carolina. As important as the works of healing and teaching are considered, it has been the policy of the administration of the Southern Mountain Work to make them auxiliary to the building of the Church in the mountains.

### MOUNTAIN SCHOOLS

The ministry of teaching has been carried on through the work of Konnarock Training School for girls and Iron Mountain School for Boys. These two divisions of our Lutheran School at Konnarock are enjoying increasing popularity and effectiveness. The recent enrollment crowded the facilities to overflowing with 26 boys and 38 girls of high school age. The major emphasis in the training of these mountain boys and girls is not only in the development of their mental phase of life but in the social, spiritual, and practical sides of life, in the interest of creating a wholesome community through church leadership and life. This has been realized by the strengthening of the leadership training, Bible, vocational training, music and recreational departments in the school and community life.

The graduates of our school are giving a good account of themselves. Of the 31 graduates during the past biennium, 12 are pursuing further education in colleges, one of whom became a first-honor student in one of our Lutheran schools. Others have taken their places as useful citizens in various communities.

Pursuant to the policy of developing an indigenous leadership, seven of the present school and farm staff of 11 are natives of the mountain area.

The farm, which is operated as a demonstration unit and in support of the school, has greatly increased its productiveness and is an important adjunct to the school. The present inventory value of the farm is $64,770.

### MOUNTAIN MEDICAL WORK

The Konnarock Medical Center, made possible by the Luther League of America ten years ago, under the leadership of Dr. Meyer continues to develop in its usefulness. During the past biennium Dr. Meyer has administered 7,659 treatments. This project, whose budget is now over $10,000 per annum, is self-supporting. Its effective organization has become a model for study by other mission projects, as well as state and federal programs. The popularity of the service of the medical center at Konnarock has so increased and spread over wider areas that the present staff is being overworked and will have to be enlarged. It is the hope of the Board that a physician's residence may soon be built and that an increased service may thus be made possible.

Sister Sophia Moeller, under the direction of Dr. Meyer, continues her fine ministry of mercy in the Helton area. Her reports reveal that in the interest of health and the Church, she has made more than 2,300 home visits in the past biennium, in addition to driving her Jeep-station wagon over 20,000 miles in conveying patients to the medical center and hospitals.

### MOUNTAIN MISSION CONGREGATIONS

The 23 mountain mission congregations, comprising 8 parishes, show a net increase in membership of 7 per cent during the past biennium. These parishes have suffered from the fact that on an average three of them are vacant for long periods of time. Physical improvements have been made in several. The new Mt. Pleasant Church of the Watauga Parish has been remodeled. Extensive renovations have been made on the Ivy Grove and Messiah churches of the Helton Parish. Two rooms have been added to the parsonage of the Gladesboro Parish. A parsonage is being built in the Bland Parish. The most notable addition has been the building of the new stone church in Konnarock for the St. Matthew's congregation. The church was scheduled, at the time of this writing, to be dedicated December 10, 1950. This building was estimated by the architect to cost $60,000 under ordinary circumstances, but was completed by the help of donated materials and local labor for less than $20,000.

### Mountain Miscellany

The *Konnarock Echoes,* which tells the story of the mountain work, has been distributed to more than 9,000 people during the past biennium. The increased interest in mountain missions is evidenced by the greater demands for articles in both the church and secular press, as well as by designated and undesignated gifts which now amount to around $10,000 a year. This has greatly increased the effectiveness of the work. An increasing number of bequests has also helped.

The Women's missionary society has given liberal support to Konnarock Training School, Sister Sophia, Mrs. Meyer, and Pastor Troutman.

The radio ministry emanating from Konnarock, made possible by the transcription facilities in the office there, continues to prove popular throughout wide sections of our land. Seven audio-visual programs are in constant circulation among groups of the Church who wish to learn more of the mountain mission project.

Superintendent Hewitt was granted a year's leave-of-absence from October 1, 1949 to September 30, 1950 to serve as the southeastern director of CHEY. The Board was grieved to read his resignation at its June meeting, which he submitted in order to accept a call to Salisbury, N. C.

The tenth anniversary of the medical center and other noteworthy events in the history of Southern Mountain Work were to be celebrated in Konnarock December 8-10, 1950.

## Church Extension

While the preaching of the gospel and the formation of congregations are mandatory in the Church's commission, practical considerations demand that somehow churches be housed. The ancient tabernacles, temples, and synagogues, as well as the homes opened to early Christians, were approved and blessed of God. Custom and tradition make houses of worship a rich heritage and at the same time an essential to well rounded Christian nurture. This the Board of American Missions recognizes. One of its primary functions is to help mission congregations secure churchly and useful buildings. The necessity for such help gives it opportunity to influence the mission churches to secure good sites, to utilize the best in church architecture, and at the same time to avoid extravagance in spending money and entailing indebtedness. This is all part of what is technically known as Church Extension.

### Architectural Counsel

The Board tries to be adviser, co-ordinator and financial partner to congregations and synods in their vital responsibility of building the house of God. Each congregation has a unique group personality. Building projects pose distinct physical problems in each case due to such variable factors as size of congregation, present and prospective, topography of the site, and type of community. The solutions of these problems are accomplished largely by frequent visitations with pastors, church councils, and synodical officers by members of the staff. The director of church extension himself attended 280 of such meetings during the biennium. As an aid to such work and partially growing out of it, he has developed an architectural portfolio of church building designs, utilizing also results of other conferences with architects, contractors, and artisans. Of the 61 church buildings erected during the biennium 33 were planned or adapted from portfolio designs. Total construction costs of these 33 were $1,881,000. The plans continue to be the property of the architects who design them and are not to be used in building projects except by arrangement with their authors. The Board is constantly alert to find new suitable designs and secure their author's consent to use them in the portfolio. It co-operates closely with the U.L.C.A. Committee on Church Architecture (now Department).

### PROBLEMS OF FINANCE

Preliminary studies are made with congregations on sites, needs as to facilities, size and quality of church buildings, and costs as related to the congregation's financial abilities. The biennium was difficult in that inflated costs of current church construction had to be financed largely with pre-inflation church extension funds and inadequate giving. The net result was a somewhat retarded church building program, and what is worse, fewer facilities than are desirable in most of the churches built.

Each year during the past decade it cost more to build than it did the year before. $55,500 is needed in 1950 to erect a church comparable to one costing only $18,500 in 1940-41. In parsonage financing the inflation is a little over one-half as great.

### PROMOTING LOCAL GIVING

These things make limitations in indebtedness imperative before church building designs are created or approved for financing. One important factor is the relation of monies contributed to the amount the congregation will be willing to pay for annual debt service and amortization. The Board tries to keep a firm hand in building projects in that respect. The result is that the ratio of contributions by congregations has been raised to the point where in the 61 churches built the congregations contributed 45.5 per cent in cash; synods loaned 4 per cent, commercial or other first mortgage lenders 19 per cent, leaving 31.5 per cent to be financed by church extension funds of the Board.

### CONSTRUCTION LOAN FUND

Mention has been made of the guarantee loan program which hastens construction by advancing funds soon to be repaid by short term pledges of members (calculated at 80 per cent of the total) and by proceeds of a commercial first mortgage when the building is completed. At the present time this program can finance such loans up to a total of $1,005,000. This credit has been secured by depositing one-third of that amount of government securities with a Pennsylvania bank. The construction loan fund revolves much more rapidly than the bulk of the church extension funds.

### THE RECORD

During the biennium 551 church extension items were approved by the Board, involving the investment of $1,788,000. This made possible building totaling $4,874,000. In detail these accomplishments are as follows: 36 sites were purchased, 61 new churches built, (1 every 12 days), 22 additions or renovations paid for, 7 house chapels acquired, 13 progressive refinancing programs aided (not distress cases), 65 parsonages built or bought, and 68 architectural and other special purpose grants made, chiefly from church extension interest funds. A total of 387 congregations are currently being aided by loans in amount of $3,955,000.

The sum of $743,000 was repaid on such loans during the biennium. The average term for new loans is 20 years, but full repayments are being made on an average of 11 years. The following 39 churches paid their loans in full:

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| First | Fresno, California |
| St. Stephen | Washington, D. C. |
| First | West Palm Beach, Fla. |
| Belmont Park | Chicago, Ill. |
| St. Johannis | Chicago, Ill. |
| Emmanuel | Maywood, Ill. |
| Good Shepherd | Oak Park, Ill. |
| St. Paul | Waukegan, Ill. |
| Holy Trinity | Lafayette, Ind. |
| St. Paul | Missouri Valley, Iowa |
| St. Paul | Valley Falls, Kan. |
| Resurrection | Detroit, Mich. |
| Holy Trinity | Flint, Mich. |

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| Trinity | Kalamazoo, Mich. |
| Dr. Martin Luther | Muskegon Heights, Mich. |
| Ascension | St. Paul, Minn. |
| Redeemer | Craig Springs, Miss. |
| Christ | Camden, N. J. |
| St. Peter | |
| St. Paul | Guttenberg, N. J. |
| Calvary | Hillside, N. J. |
| Epiphany | Pleasantville, N. J. |
| St. John | Williamstown, N. J. |
| St. James | Gerrittsen Beach, Brooklyn, N. Y. |
| Redeemer | Flushing, L. I., N.Y. |
| Epiphany | Laurelton, L. I., N. Y. |
| St. John | Merrick, L. I., N. Y. |
| Trinity | Lakewood, Ohio |
| Redeemer | Toledo, Ohio |
| Redeemer | Allentown, Pa. |
| Grace | Drexel Hill, Pa. |
| Mediator | Philadelphia, Pa. |
| St. Peter | W. Oak Lane, Phila., Pa. |
| St. James | Pittsburgh, Pa. |
| St. Paul | Shavertown, Pa. |
| Advent | West Lawn, Pa. |
| St. John | Beaver Dam, Wis. |
| Our Saviour | Fond du Lac, Wis. |
| First English | Winnipeg, Manitoba |
| St. John | Montreal, Que. |

Collectively the missions have an excellent record for regular repayments as well as for advance payments. There are only two old loans still frozen and delinquencies on current billing average fewer than ten a quarter.

### A Big Job

Every transaction with a congregation is unique. The administration of all these relationships is a tremendous task. The open accounts handled by the Chase National Bank and by the Canadian Bank of Commerce average 145 at any given time and involve the amount of $3,750,000. The preparation and servicing of the escrows is a large feature of the work of Church Extension.

### Division of Church Extension

The chairman of the Divisional Committee for Church Extension is a busy layman of the Board, Mr. H. E. Isenhour of Salisbury, N. C. In recognition of the immensity of the task and of his painstaking care in administering it, the divisional secretary, also a layman, Dr. Elwood L. Bowman, was given the title of Director. By reason of the close relationship between his work and the treasurer's, credit for this task is also due the treasurer of the Board, Mr. S. Frederick Telleen, and the comptroller, Miss Beulah M. Weiser. The manager of the church extension office, Mr. Frederick Bowman, also deserves mention.

### Future Needs

In rejoicing over the number of new fields being entered each year, the Church should remember that there is a related church extension need that is created by each one. Recent allocations from Part two of the apportionment and from overpayments have been substantial helps in meeting some of these needs, but they still have been inadequate in the face of all the opportunities. There are still 149 church building programs needed for unhoused churches, 59 for sites for churches of recent formation owning no property, and 66 for parsonages in some new missions and in approved fields being developed. The Board can meet all these needs only by funds above the apportioned benevolences of the Church.

## Latin America

### West Indies

The Board carries on a strategic work in Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. These two United States possessions are central links in the chain of West Indies islands that extends from the Florida coast over a thousand miles east and south to the northeast coast of South America.

The work is among the Spanish-speaking people of Puerto Rico and the English-speaking inhabitants of the Virgin Islands, all of whom have at least a nominal Christian background.

### Virgin Islands

The congregations of the former Danish West Indies were connected with the Lutheran state church of Denmark. Since the transfer of the islands there has been a steady migration of the young adult population to the United States and this has affected adversely various phases of church work in the islands. However, the present outlook for evangelism and stewardship is bright. The year 1949 saw a remarkable increase in offerings for both current expenses and benevolence and in April, 1950, there was an enthusiastic response by the delegates of all congregations to the leadership of U.L.C.A. secretaries Royal E. Lesher and Henry Endress who conducted an institute of evangelism and stewardship in conjunction with the annual meeting of conference. It also seems that our churches are beginning to hold their own in membership. The statistician reports 1,356 confirmed and 2,450 baptized members at the end of 1949.

After 15 years of able missionary service in the Virgin Islands Pastor Jens Larsen has resigned and returned to the United States. His successor in the St. Thomas-St. John parish is Pastor Merle G. Franke who has the assistance of Pastor William Charles Arbaugh. Pastor Franke was succeeded in the Frederiksted Parish by Pastor Clarence G. Schnorr. Pastor Leo S. LaFontaine of the Christiansted Parish was in the United States on furlough in the summer of 1950.

The only Lutheran eleemosynary institution in the West Indies is our Queen Louise Home for Children, at Frederiksted, St. Croix, of which Sister Florence Bechtold R.N., is the matron and Sister Edith Prince the assistant matron as well as kindergartner. In September 1949, the home moved into the former Ebenezer orphanage building which had been suitably remodeled and improved, the Women's Missionary Society providing for this purpose the amount of $14,000, approximately half the cost. The new building has made it possible to take care of 35 children instead of the 22 that could be cared for in the old property. Sister Florence was in the United States on furlough in 1950.

*Virgin Islands Story,* Pastor Larsen's history of the Lutheran Church in the former Danish West Indies, was published by the United Lutheran Publication House. Reviewers in the islands and in Denmark have hailed it as an important contribution to the history of the islands. Particularly praised was Pastor Larsen's research on the Dutch Creole language which once flourished in three islands but has now disappeared.

### Puerto Rico

It is the mission in Puerto Rico that justifies the use of the title "Latin America" for this division of the Board's work. The two million inhabitants of this island speak Spanish and over half the people are of Spanish descent, the remainder being Negroes and of mixed race. Our Lutheran field lies in the capital city, San Juan, and near-by towns and communities. They minister to all racial and economic groups, but the members are drawn chiefly from the poor and the lower middle class.

The first Protestant service in Puerto Rico was conducted November 10, 1898, by Gustav Sigfrid Swensson, a Lutheran pre-theological student. In February 1949, the half century of Lutheran mission work was marked by a suitable celebration. Among the anniversary guest speakers were Pastor Herbert F. Richards, the first missionary pastor who arrived on the field in 1899; Dr. Franklin Clark Fry, president of the U.L.C.A., Mrs. Charles W. Baker, Jr., president of the Women's Missionary Society; and the Rev. Joseph W. Frease, executive secretary of The Luther league of America. At the principal service 50 vases of flowers adorned the sanctuary, one for each year of the mission's existence.

There is much to be thankful for. At the end of 1949 the statistician reported for the field a net gain of 23 confirmed and 37 communing members, the totals now being 1,398 and 1,226 respectively. The percentage of members communing has risen from 86.4 per cent in 1948 to 87.8 per cent in 1949. Church offerings in 1949 were $17,029, a gain of about $700 over 1948. Total offerings (including auxiliaries) were $22,274, a gain of about $1,300 over the previous year. The per capita in total offerings is $15.92. The per capita congregational receipts is $12.18 and in the in 1948 was $11.89 and $15.20 respectively. Generous as the increase is, none of the above figures include the anniversary offering of February 13 which amounted to over $1,100. That offering was given to the Board for the Rio Piedras building.

As in the Virgin Islands an institute of evangelism and stewardship was held in April 1950, with stewardship secretary Henry Endress, and evangelism secretary Royal E. Lesher as the faculty. The U.L.C.A. stewardship manual was published in Spanish for the occasion, as were some evangelistic tracts and articles. The newest U.L.C.A. methods in winning members and gathering offerings will be given an enthusiastic trial in this field.

Much of the difficulty of introducing standard methods into the work of this field comes from the dearth of printed material in the Spanish language, a problem that affects the Latin American work of other Lutheran boards also. Moving to correct this situation, our Board has joined with the Board of Foreign Missions and the Board of Publication in setting up a continuing committee on Spanish publications to promote and co-ordinate the production of needed books, tracts, and other materials. In May 1950, this committee sponsored a Lutheran conference on Spanish publications at San Juan, Puerto Rico. Every Lutheran body engaged in Latin American work was represented. Much good is expected of this new program. In addition to the stewardship manual and tracts mentioned above, our mission during the biennium has published a Spanish edition of the history of the passion, death, resurrection and ascension of our Lord, and has continued the publication of the monthly magazine, *El Testigo (The Witness)*.

In June 1949, the mission sustained a severe loss in the death of Pastor Salustiano Hernandez of the Catano parish. This parish, under his able leadership, was the first to achieve self-support as to the pastor's salary. The new pastor at Catano is the Rev. Herminio Diaz who in May of that year graduated from the Philadelphia Seminary.

In June 1950, the two new missionaries took up pastorates in Puerto Rico. The Rev. Curtis E. Derrick, a 1950 graduate of Southern Seminary, became pastor of First church, San Juan, succeeding Pastor Elmer S. Oleson who went to supply the pulpit at Christiansted, V. I. The Rev. Miguel Sevilla, a 1950 graduate of Northwestern Seminary, became pastor of the Dorado Parish, succeeding Pastor Carlos A. Torres who went to the Monacillos Parish.

Missionaries who received furlough during the biennium are Pastor and Mrs. Eduardo Roig, Mrs. William G. Arbaugh, Miss Frieda M. Hoh and Miss Lorraine A. Wiggan. The field was represented at the Grand Rapids W. M. S. convention by Miss Hoh and Pastor and Mrs. Molina. Mrs. Molina attended in the capacity of president and delegate of the W. M. S. of Puerto Rico.

Two new property improvements were made during the biennium. The first unit of Transfiguration mission in Rio Piedras, the seat of the University of Puerto Rico, was dedicated in February 1949. A new addition to Gethsemane Church, Dorado, was dedicated in 1950.

### Division of Latin America

The chairman of the Divisional Committee on Latin America is the genial Dr. Emil W. Weber. Its staff secretary is the Rev. William G. Arbaugh, who has made the Church in the West Indies an asset and a credit to the U.L.C.A. Its strength is such that both conferences are seriously considering the formation of a Caribbean synod to take its place on a par with the other 33 synods now comprising the Church.

## Home Mission Personnel

Realizing that the key men in all home mission work are the missionary pastors, the Board is very careful in calling or approving men to serve the fields. It does not stop there, but is solicitous also for their welfare and development in ability to serve. For these purposes it has a standing committee on personnel, to which is committed the work of enlisting missionaries; of screening men recommended for calls, either to the Board or to mission congregations; conducting missionary training institutes; supervising hospitalization; and passing on missionaries' applications for emergency loans.

### Enlisting Missionaries

A plan is in operation whereby the secretaries of the Board in rotation visit our nine seminaries and the pre-theological students in our 13 colleges in the interest of the home mission cause. The results are analyzed, tabulated, and assembled for ready reference. These visits are heartily welcomed. It is most gratifying that the interest in home mission expansion is keen and alive, and that the number of future workers in home mission fields is on the increase.

### CALLS EXTENDED

During the biennium 31 pastors and 15 seminarians have accepted calls to serve as board missionaries, 27 of these as mission developers.

In co-operation with the Women's Missionary Society three women workers other than deaconesses and teachers have been employed by the Board to serve as parish workers.

### TRAINING SCHOOLS

In 1949 three schools were held: at Shawnee-on-Delaware, Pennsylvania, July 9-16; Mount Hermon, California, July 17-23; and Shawnee-on-Delaware, again, August 20-27. One hundred twenty-one missionaries on salary aid, members of their families, faculty members, and visitors, a total of 302, were in attendance.

The staff of instructors were: Shawnee-on-Delaware school, the Rev. Dr. A. C. M. Ahlen, Sister Evelyn Houlroyd, the Rev. Dr. Harry J. Kreider, the Rev. F. W. Otten, the Rev. Dr. William R. Seaman, and secretaries Gerberding, Henry, (dean) and Knudsen; Mount Hermon school, the Rev. Dr. Charles B. Foelsch, the Rev. Dr. George W. Miley, the Rev. L. H. Steinhoff, and secretaries Bowman (dean) and Gerberding; Shawnee-on-Delaware school, Dr. F. R. Knubel, the Rev. Dr. Harry J. Kreider, Dr. James C. Kinard, Mrs. F. R. Knubel, the Rev. F. W. Otten, the Rev. Dr. Fred C. Wiegman, and secretaries Bowman, Gerberding, Henry, and Kirsch (dean). Special activies were provided for the wives and children of the missionaries at the Shawnee-on-Delaware schools, as well as retreats.

Three schools were held in 1950: at Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada, June 26-30; Thiel College, Greenville, Pennsylvania, July 3-7; and Association Camp, Estes Park, Colorado, July 17-22. One hundred and fifty missionaries on salary aid, members of their families, faculty members, and visitors, a total of 327, were in attendance.

The staff of instructors were: Saskatoon school, the Rev. Frederick W. Lenz, the Rev. Dr. E. W. Weber, and secretaries Gerberding and Kirsch (dean); Greenville school, Attorney Robbin B. Wolf, LL.D., Dr. H. Reed Schepfer, Mr. Henry Endress, Sister Bernice Pantel, Mrs. R. Donald Clare, the Rev. Dr. Paul H. Roth, and secretaries Gerberding, Arbaugh, Bowman (dean) and Knudsen; Estes Park school, the Rev. Dr. James P. Beasom, Jr., Mrs. John F. Futchs, Dr. James C. Kinard, the Rev. Dr. Charles A. Puls, Miss Marion E. Whitman, and secretaries Henry (dean), and Knudsen. Activities for the missionaries, wives and children were provided at the Greenville and Estes Park schools.

Twenty-eight of the thirty-two constituent synods of the United Lutheran Church were represented by the missionaries in attendance.

The Executive Board of the Church has approved the request of the Board of American Missions to be permitted to co-operate with the home mission boards of The National Lutheran Council in planning for the 1951 home mission institutes.

### HOSPITALIZATION INSURANCE

At the present writing 373 missionaries and employees of the Board, and 321 dependents, are beneficiaries under the Board's hospitalization contract. In harmony with the action of the Board granting this hospitalization coverage to any constituent synod of the United Lutheran Church desiring to insure ordained clergymen engaged in home mission activities, six missionaries in the Central Pennsylvania Synod, one in the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, and 12 in the Pittsburgh Synod are included in the Board's plan, the synods reimbursing the Board for the premiums.

During 1948 the insurance company has paid 24 claims totaling $1,483.10 to the missionaries and employees, and 87 claims totaling $3,921.47 to missionaries' dependents (including 39 maternity cases)—a total of $5,404.57.

During 1949 the company has paid 30 claims totaling $2,784.84 to the missionaries and employees, and 74 claims, totaling $2,929.04 to missionaries' dependents (including 33 maternity cases)—a total of $5,713.89.

To June 1, 1950 the company has paid 9 claims totaling $1,016.20 to the missionaries and employees and 49 claims totaling $1,949.70 to missionaries' dependents (including 16 maternity cases)—a total of $2,965.90.

Effective October 21, 1949, the insurance policy was ridered to the effect that missionaries' wives under the plan will be covered immediately if confined in the hospital due to pregnancy. This is a marked improvement over the original coverage.

### EMERGENCY LOANS

To help home mission pastors meet emergencies which involve extraordinary outlays of money, the Board has a modest fund set aside which may be lent in maximum sums of $600 and repaid by monthly withholdings from salary payments over a two-year period. At present there is a waiting list for such loans, delaying the advances several months in every case.

### COMMITTEE ON PERSONNEL

The Personnel Committee is headed by President Hanson of Gettysburg college, an enthusiastic member of the Board. Dr. Paul Andrew Kirsch has retained this responsibility as a staff member, from the duties formerly his as assistant to the executive secretary.

## The Prospects

With 70,000,000 citizens of the U. S. alone still unchurched, vast multitudes of them little children, and all of them created in the image of God and redeemed by the blood of Christ, souls for whom Christ died and for whom he longs, with our continent steeped in secularism, more interested in security than in holiness, we are far from having reached the saturation point in evangelizing North America.

It is not the fields we reach that give us the greatest concern. It is the untouched areas, the entirely neglected fields, the opportunities waiting to be seized, the communities now ready to be entered. The opportunities were never greater, the call to serve was never more insistent. Fortunately there are other Lutheran bodies and other Protestant Christians helping to serve and to save these people. The impact of the Lutheran Church on the American non-Christians is mighty and sustained. But for every Christian in America there are two non-Christians, and many of them are our direct responsibility. The United Lutheran Church should be organizing new congregations at the rate of one a week, or a minimum of 50 congregations a year. That would represent an increase each biennium of approximately 2½ per cent in the number of U.L.C.A. congregations in the United States, Canada, and the Island possessions. In 20 years the increase would be 25 per cent and a thousand new congregations would be added to the rolls of our Church, representing 100,000 souls. It can be done and should be done, and by the grace of God and the Church's response in men and money, it will be done.

## Administration

### CHANGES

The biennium has seen marked changes in the administration of the Board of American Missions. December 31, 1948 saw the termination of service of two veteran missionary executives. The report of the Board to the Philadelphia convention contains the resolutions of esteem passed on June 17, 1948, expressing its high esteem for the Rev. Ernst A. Tappert, D.D. who had resigned effective at the end of the year. This report has the burden of recording the termination of the services as executive secretary of the Rev. Zenan M. Corbe, D.D., at the same date. The final adoption by the Church of an age limit for men in its general service required his retirement since he was several years above the age limit. At the annual meeting of the Board in 1948, at a dinner in honor of the retiring secretary, a framed illuminated scroll signed by the Board members was presented Dr. Corbe 'In grateful recognition of a life time's devotion in the service of the Church.' In brief form there followed the record of his service, 20 years in the pastorate and 30 years in the general work on the Church where he had been the assistant to the secretary of the Home Mission Board of the General Council, the executive secretary of the Board of West Indies Missions of the U.L.C.A., the secretary of the Joint Commission of the merger of the home mission agencies of the U.L.C.A., then the treasurer and secretary of church extension and finance of the Board of American Missions, and since 1934 its executive secretary.

The good doctor has by no means lost interest or dropped his activity in behalf of the great cause to which he gave the years of his strength. He continues to serve as editor of *Ecclesia Plantanda*, the monthly periodical which the Board publishes for the stimulation of its missionaries and the edification of the Church.

### DIVISION OF FINANCE

Other changes have been mentioned in the course of this report. But since the financial report comes at the end, it is fitting before its tabulations appear to report that the division of finance has now been given its own staff secretary. Hitherto it shared with the division of church extension the secretary of the department to which both divisions belong, i.e., the treasurer of the Board, Mr. S. Frederick Telleen. The volunteer services of this devoted churchman are of incalculable value to the Board and the Church. They have not been diminished, but rather increased through his own appreciation of the step the Board took. It decided to make the assistant treasurer a member of the staff and secretary of the Division of Finance, under the title of Comptroller. This servant of the Church has been with the Board and with its former executive secretary since the days of the predecessor West Indies board. No present staff officer of any board of the Church has a longer record of Christian service in official U.L.C.A. work than Miss Beulah M. Weiser. She has added wisdom as well as grace to the councils of the staff and Board. The Rev. Charles B. Foelsch, Ph.D., is chairman of the Division of Finance.

### The Women's Missionary Society

No report of the Board's work to the Church would be complete without reference to the substantial contributions made to it by the Women's Missionary Society.

That powerful auxiliary of the Church contributed in 1950 $113,000 toward 52 salaries of home missionaries. It pays the full support of the 16 women workers on the home field, of the Konnarock School for Girls, and almost all of the expense of the Rocky Boy Indian Mission. It gives generous support to the children's work in the West Indies. It has put over $300,000 into the church extension loan funds, enabling the Board to lend $112,550 to 47 missions during the biennium. It participates in 94 church extension finance programs, plus 36 that it aids by interest-bearing loans from its trust funds. It has given $77,500 to a parsonage loan fund, thus helping 23 mission churches get parsonages.

These figures indicate but a small part of the Society's support of the Board. Its prayers, its literature, all its promotional efforts help to keep the Board's work before the Lord and before his church, accounting for much of the blessing that attends the Board's efforts. The Board rejoices in this relationship.

The Board acknowledges with deep appreciation special gifts of The Luther League of America and of the Children of the Church respectively toward work in Hawaii and in Idaho, the latest state to be entered.

### ORGANIZATION

The organization of the Board is: president, Rev. William C. Schaeffer, D.D.; vice-president, Rev. George W. Miley, D.D.; secretary, Mr. H. E. Isenhour; treasurer, Mr. S. Frederick Telleen; assistant treasurer and comptroller, Miss Beulah M. Weiser; executive secretary, Rev. R. H. Gerberding, D.D.; secretary of English missions, Rev. Arthur M. Knudsen, D.D.; secretary for special missions, Rev. Paul Andrew Kirsch, D.D.; secretary for Latin America, Rev. William G. Arbaugh; secretary of survey and research, Rev. Karl S. Henry, S.T.M., director of church extension, Dr. Elwood L. Bowman.

Term expires 1954 — Rev. R. Homer Anderson, D.D.; Norman E. Bischoff, Esq.; Rev. Charles B. Foelsch, Ph.D.; James C. Kinard, LL.D.; Mr. Everett G. Mitchell; Rev. William C. Schaeffer, D.D.; Rev. H. Reed Shepfer, D.D.

Term expires 1952—Rev. J. P. Beasom, Jr., D.D.; Mr. H. E. Isenhour; Rev. J. L. Morgan, D.D.; Mrs. Oscar C. Schmidt; Mr. S. Frederick Telleen; Rev. Emil W. Weber, D.D.; Rev. Fred C. Wiegman, D.D.

Term expires 1950—J. L. Almond, Esq.; Rev. Henry W. A. Hanson, D.D.; Rev. Albert G. Jacobi; Dr. William Jansen; Rev. George W. Miley, D.D.; Mr. Eugene H. Rights; Rev. A. A. Zinck, D.D.

Respectfully submitted,

William C. Schaeffer, *President*
H. E. Isenhour, *Secretary*
R. H. Gerberding, *Executive Secretary*

## FIELD RECORD

### California Synod

| *Congregation* | *Approved for Occupancy* | *Entered, or First Services* | *Congregation Organized* | *Aid Begins to Called Pastor* | *Church Loan Authorized* |
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| Los Angeles, St. Paul's | *11-21-46 | | | | 11-17-49 |
| La Canada | 4-17-47 | 6- -47 | 1-25-48 | 7-1-48 | 9-22-49 |
| Long Beach, Lakewood | 6-18-47 | 7- -46 | 5-17-46 | 7-1-49 | 9-22-49 |
| Yreka | 6-18-47 | 2- -47 | 6-13-47 | 1-1-49 | 6-23-49 |
| San Diego, St. Peter's | 9-18-47 | | | 2-1-49 | |
| Manhattan Beach | 9-18-47 | 2-6-49 | 4-10-49 | 7-1-49 | |
| Reno, Nev. | 1-8-48 | 6-15-47 | 12-7-47 | 1-1-50 | |
| Las Vegas, Nev. | 6-17-48 | 6-27-48 | 10-31-48 | 4-1-49 | |
| Alhambra | 11-18-48 | 10-3-48 | 4-10-49 | | |
| San Fernando | 11-22-48 | 10-3-48 | 4-24-49 | 9-1-49 | |
| Azusa | 11-22-48 | 5-1-50 | | | |
| Kaimuki, Hawaii | 11-22-48 | 7-31-49 | 1-22-50 | | |
| San Leandro | 11-22-48 | 3-6-49 | 5-1-49 | | 2-9-50 |
| Pearl Harbor, Hawaii | 11-22-48 | 6-5-49 | 1-25-50 | | |
| Central Valley | 11-22-48 | 12-10-48 | 5-8-49 | 8-25-49 | 6-15-50 |
| Fresno (North) | 9-21-49 | 7-25-50 | | | |
| Van Nuys | 9-21-49 | 10-20-49 | 3-26-50 | | |
| Ventura | S 9-21-49 | | | | |
| Lihue, Hawaii | * 9-21-49 | | | 11-1-49 | |
| Globe, Ariz. | 11-16-49 | 9-18-49 | 5-14-50 | | |
| Santa Ana | S 11-16-49 | 9-1-50 | | | |
| Redlands | * 4-20-50 | | | | |

### Canada Synod

| *Congregation* | *Approved for Occupancy* | *Entered, or First Services* | *Congregation Organized* | *Aid Begins to Called Pastor* | *Church Loan Authorized* |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Kitchener, St. Stephen | 6-17-48 | 1-9-49 | 3-20-49 | 11-15-48 | |
| Bridgeport, St. Paul | * 6-17-48 | | | 11-15-48 | |
| Sudbury, Christ | 1942 | | 1942 | 1942 | 9-22-49 |
| Belleville | S 4-28-49 | 11-1-49 | | | |
| Kingston | 4-20-50 | 11-1-49 | 4-16-50 | | |
| Geraldton | 9-21-49 | 7-1-50 | | | |

* Granted Mission Status

S Referred to Synod

## Central Pennsylvania Synod

| *Congregation* | *Approved for Occupancy* | *Entered, or First Services* | *Congregation Organized* | *Aid Begins to Called Pastor* | *Church Loan Authorized* |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Bristol | * 1946 | | 1917 | 1946 | *9-22-49* |
| Folcroft | * | | 1934 | | *11-18-49* |
| Springfield | 1942 | | | | *2-9-50* |
| Lancaster, St. Matthew | 1947 | | | 12-1-47 | *2-17-49* |
| Paxtang | 1946 | 2-1-47 | 1947 | 10-20-47 | *2-17-49* |
| Camp Hill | 4-7-47 | | 3-30-47 | 4-1-47 | *2-17-49* |
| Llanerch Hills | *4-20-50* | *6-15-50* | | | |
| Media | S *4-20-50* | *6-15-50* | | | |
| **Florida Synod** | | | | | |
| Tampa, St. Paul's | | | 1927 | | *6-23-49* |
| Miami Beach | *9-16-48* | *11-6-49* | *1-1-50* | *4-1-50* | |
| Miami Shores | *9-16-48* | *4-1-50* | | | |
| Miami, St. Paul's | * *9-16-48* | | 1938 | | *11-17-48* |
| Gainesville | *9-21-49* | *3-13-49* | *4-17-50* | | |
| Miami, S. W. Area | *6-15-50* | *4-1-50* | | | |
| Bradenton | * *6-15-50* | | | | |
| **Georgia-Alabama Synod** | | | | | |
| Decatur, Messiah | S 1-9-47 | | | | *2-17-49* |
| Atlanta, Emmanuel | 4-17-47 | | | 2-1-49 | *2-9-50* |
| Tuscaloosa | S 11-20-46 | *1-1-49* | | | |
| Atlanta, Peachtree Rd. | 11-22-47 | *5-1-49* | *5-29-49* | *1-1-50* | |
| Albany | *4-28-49* | *10-9-49* | *1-8-50* | | |
| Macon, So. Area | *11-16-49* | | | | |
| **Illinois Synod** | | | | | |
| Chicago, Ridge | | 1946 | | | *11-18-48* |
| Glen Ellyn | 6-18-47 | | 1947 | | *9-22-49* |
| Jacksonville | 6-18-47 | | *11-28-48* | | |
| Elgin | *9-16-48* | | | | |
| Virginia | *6-22-49* | *11-1-49* | *12-11-49* | *6-1-50* | |
| Chicago, St. James | 12-3-42 | | | *1-1-50* | |
| Chicago, Wicker Park | * *2-8-50* | *9-1-50* | | | |
| **Icelandic Synod** | | | | | |
| Cavalier, N. D. | S *6-22-49* | *9-11-49* | *11-9-49* | | |
| **Indiana Synod** | | | | | |
| Speedway, St. Andrew | 7-17-41 | | 1942 | 1943 | *11-17-48* |
| Fort Wayne, Our Saviour | 1944 | | 1945 | 1946 | *6-15-50* |
| Jeffersonville | S *2-16-49* | *4-15-50* | | | |
| **Iowa Synod** | | | | | |
| Mason City | | | 1928 | | *6-23-49* |
| Sioux City, St. Luke | 11-17-38 | | 1938 | 1939 | *2-9-50* |

## Kansas Synod

| Congregation | Approved for Occupancy | Entered, or First Services | Congregation Organized | Aid Begins to Called Pastor | Church Loan Authorized |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Kansas City, Mo., Bethlehem | 3-19-48 | 9-14-47 | 3-28-48 | 7-1-48 | 6-23-49 |
| Johnson Co., Kans. | S 6-17-48 | 8-1-50 | | | |
| Washington, Kans. | 11-17-48 | 9-11-49 | 11-27-49 | | |
| **Kentucky-Tennessee Synod** | | | | | |
| Louisville, St. John | 11-19-47 | 8-1-47 | 3-21-48 | 7-1-48 | |
| Lexington | 11-20-46 | 1947 | 12-12-48 | 1-1-49 | |
| Louisville, St. Mark's | * 6-15-50 | | | 6-15-50 | |
| **Maryland Synod** | | | | | |
| Baltimore, Redeemer | | | 1927 | | 2-17-49 |
| Baltimore, Ascension | 1941 | | 1942 | | 6-23-49 |
| Capitol Heights, St. Andrew | 10-1-42 | | | | 6-23-49 |
| Linthicum Heights | | | 1919 | | 9-22-49 |
| Baltimore, Greenland Beach | * 6-22-49 | | | | |
| **Michigan Synod** | | | | | |
| Detroit, Advent | 1948 | 1948 | 10-24-48 | 5-16-49 | 11-16-49 |
| Detroit, Cross of Glory | 1948 | | 1948 | | 11-17-49 |
| Detroit, Oak Park | 6-22-49 | 2-25-49 | 5-21-50 | | |
| **Mississippi Synod** | | | | | |
| Senatobia, Latvian | 6-22-49 | | 10-2-49 | | 2-9-50 |
| Greenville (Scott) | 6-22-49 | | 6-5-49 | | |
| Clarksdale | 6-22-49 | 2-15-50 | 4-2-50 | | |
| **Nebraska Synod** | | | | | |
| Omaha, Grace | | | 1889 | | 2-17-49 |
| Alliance | 9-21-49 | 6-1-50 | | | |
| **Synod of New York** | | | | | |
| Lawrence, Mass. | | | 1930 | | 6-15-50 |
| Stratford, Conn. | 2-21-46 | | 1946 | | 6-15-50 |
| Mount Kisco | | | 1936 | | 11-17-49 |
| Kenmore | | | 1927 | | 11-17-49 |
| Lake Ronkonkoma | 4-15-48 | | | | 6-23-49 |
| Schenectady, Second | | | 1927 | 1927 | 2-17-49 |
| Elmont | S 9-16-48 | | | | |
| Roosevelt | 2-16-49 | 2-13-48 | 2-23-49 | 6-1-49 | 2-7-50 |
| Manhattan, Harlem | 2-8-50 | | 4-2-50 | | |
| Salina | * 2-8-50 | | | 2-20-50 | |
| Massapequa Park | 6-15-50 | 5-22-50 | | | |
| New York, Transfiguration | | | 1931 | 1-1-50 | |
| Paramus, N. J. | 6-15-50 | 6-15-50 | | | |

## North Carolina Synod

| Congregation | Approved for Occupancy | Entered, or First Services | Congregation Organized | Aid Begins to Called Pastor | Church Loan Authorized |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| New Bern | 9-18-47 | 5-30-48 | 1-9-49 | 7-1-49 | 6-15-50 |
| Spindale | 9-18-47 | 8-1-49 | 2-1-49 | 7-1-49 | |
| Lexington Parish | * 11-17-48 | | | 6-1-49 | |
| Burlington | * 2-16-49 | | | 6-16-49 | |
| Hudson | * 2-8-50 | | | 6-1-50 | |

## Northwest Synod

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Minneapolis, Mt. Carmel | 1925 | | 1925 | 1926 | 6-23-49 |
| Menominee, Mich. | | | 1931 | *1945 | 2-9-50 |
| Fort Atkinson, Wis. | | | 1943 | 1943 | 9-22-49 |
| Wisconsin Dells | 1939 | | 1939 | 1940 | 2-17-49 |
| Two Rivers, Wis. | 1944 | | 1944 | 1944 | 6-23-49 |
| Green Bay | 1941 | | 1941 | 1941 | 6-23-49 |
| Wauwatosa, Mt. Zion | 1946 | | 1946 | 1946 | 9-22-49 |
| Milwaukee, Fox Point | 11-20-46 | 12-22-46 | 3-30-47 | 1947 | 2-9-50 |
| Fargo, N. D., St. John's | 6-18-47 | | 1947 | 1947 | 6-23-49 |
| Lancaster, Wis. | * 11-19-47 | | 1945 | 4-1-48 | 6-15-50 |
| Minneapolis, Good Shepherd | 11-20-47 | 4-4-48 | 3-20-49 | 6-1-49 | 6-15-50 |
| St. Cloud | 4-17-47 | | 1-30-49 | 1949 | |
| Billings, Mont., Bethlehem | 6-17-48 | 5-8-49 | 12-28-49 | 3-1-50 | |
| Milwaukee, Redemption | 9-17-48 | 11-7-48 | 4-10-49 | 6-1-49 | |
| Mounds View, Minn. | * 9-21-49 | | 1929 | | |
| Milwaukee, Martin Luther | 9-21-49 | 11-6-49 | 4-2-50 | 6-1-50 | |
| Durham, Wis. | * 11-16-49 | | 1940 | 6-1-50 | |
| Mukwonago, Wis. | * 11-16-49 | | 1921 | | |

## Ohio Synod

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Columbus, Holy Trinity | 5-15-38 | | 1942 | | 6-15-50 |
| Toledo, Our Saviour | 9-18-47 | | 1947 | | 9-22-49 |
| Bay Village | 10-18-45 | 6-10-46 | 3-30-47 | 7-1-47 | 6-15-50 |
| Cuyahoga Falls | 9-12-46 | 9-2-46 | 2-16-46 | 7-1-47 | 6-15-50 |
| Mansfield, Holy Trinity | 6-17-48 | 10-31-48 | 4-10-49 | 8-1-49 | 9-22-49 |
| Toledo, Grace | 9-22-49 | | | | |
| Cincinnati, First | * 6-15-50 | | | 7-1-50 | |

## Pacific Synod

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Kelso, Wash. | 9-18-47 | | 1948 | 1-1-49 | 3-14-49 |
| Everett, Wash., Faith | 6-17-48 | | 1948 | 1-1-49 | 6-23-49 |
| Mercer Island, Wash. | 4-7-47 | | 1948 | 1-1-49 | |
| Portland, Ore., Christ | 11-19-47 | 6-2-46 | 11-16-47 | | 6-15-50 |
| Spokane, Wash., N. W. side | 9-17-48 | 6-1-50 | | | |
| Salem, Ore. (Keiser Dist.) | 9-17-48 | 9-1-49 | 6-4-50 | | |
| Chehalis, Wash. | * 1-20-49 | | | 12-1-49 | |
| Willamina, Ore. | 2-21-49 | 9-1-49 | 2-19-50 | 4-13-50 | |
| Pocatello, Idaho | S 9-21-49 | 1-29-50 | 4-30-50 | | |

## Ministerium of Pennsylvania

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Hatboro | 9-18-47 | 11-7-49 | 4-24-49 | 9-1-49 | |
| Beachwood, N. J. | * 1-20-49 | | 1942 | 2-1-49 | |

## Ministerium of Pennsylvania

| *Congregation* | *Approved for Occupancy* | *Entered, or First Services* | *Congregation Organized* | *Aid Begins to Called Pastor* | *Church Loan Authorized* |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Philadelphia, Christus | S 1-20-49 | 4-1-49 | | | |
| Moorestown, N. J. | 6-22-49 | 1-8-50 | 4-16-50 | 4-16-50 | |
| Lancaster, Ascension | * 9-21-49 | | | 6-1-50 | |
| Clifton Heights | 4-20-50 | 6-15-50 | | | |
| Secane | 6-15-50 | 6-15-50 | | | |
| Allentown (Parkway Manor) | | | | | S 6-15-50 |
| West Chester, Calvary | | | 1923 | | 6-15-50 |
| **Pittsburgh Synod** | | | | | |
| Penn Township | 6-13-46 | | 1947 | 1947 | 2-17-49 |
| Dravosburg | | | | | 6-23-49 |
| Paintertown | | | | | 6-23-49 |
| Ashtabula, Ohio | * 11-21-46 | | | | 2-17-49 |
| Erie, St. Paul's | 1947 | 9-7-47 | 2-1-48 | 1-1-48 | 6-15-50 |
| Pittsburgh, No. Zion | * 4-28-49 | | | 4-1-49 | |
| Upper St. Clair Twp. | 4-28-49 | 6-5-49 | 12-4-49 | 1-1-50 | 6-15-50 |
| Freedom: Rehoboth-Wall Rose | * 4-28-49 | | | 8-1-49 | |
| Erie, Fairfield, Faith | 9-21-49 | 6-26-49 | 10-2-49 | 12-1-49 | |
| Riverview | 9-21-49 | 8-14-49 | 10-2-49 | | |
| Belle Vernon | S 9-21-49 | 7-31-49 | 11-27-49 | 6-15-50 | |
| Pittsburgh, Mt. Zion | * 6-14-50 | | | 7-1-50 | 6-15-50 |
| **Rocky Mountain Synod** | | | | | |
| Casper, Wyo. | | | 1922 | | 9-22-49 |
| Denver, Good Shepherd | 5-1-47 | 8-3-47 | 3-14-48 | 1-1-48 | 9-22-49 |
| Denver, Gloria Dei | 1948 | 8-3-47 | 5-16-48 | 7-1-48 | 9-22-49 |
| **South Carolina Synod** | | | | | |
| Laurens | | | 1945 | | 11-17-49 |
| Greenville, St. Michael | | | | 1-1-49 | 9-22-49 |
| Kingstree | | | | | 6-23-49 |
| Hampton | 4-15-48 | 6-1-48 | | | 6-23-49 |
| Columbia, Resurrection | 6-17-48 | 5-5-47 | 5-16-48 | | 2-17-49 |
| Columbia, Good Shepherd | 9-21-49 | 9-11-49 | 2-5-50 | 7-1-50 | |
| **Texas Synod** | | | | | |
| San Antonio, St. Luke | S 4-17-47 | | 1926 | | 2-9-50 |
| Houston, Garden Oaks | S 4-28-49 | 1-1-50 | | | |
| **Virginia Synod** | | | | | |
| Konnarock, St. Matthew | | | 1931 | | 2-17-49 |
| Roanoke, Trinity | 6-18-47 | 2-2-47 | 7-13-47 | | 6-15-50 |
| Fredericksburg, Christ | 6-18-47 | 5-5-46 | 6-20-47 | | 6-15-50 |
| Oak Ridge, Tenn. | 9-8-46 | | 1-1-49 | | 6-15-50 |
| Petersburg | 2-8-50 | 10-10-49 | 12-11-49 | 3-15-50 | |
| **West Virginia Synod** | | | | | |
| Elkins | * 4-20-50 | | | | |

## Western Canada Synod

| Congregation | Approved for Occupancy | Entered, or First Services | Congregation Organized | Aid Begins to Called Pastor | Church Loan Authorized |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Tisdale, Sask. | | | 1930 | | 2-23-49 |
| Edmonton, Alta., Faith | *9-21-48* | *7-3-49* | *11-13-49* | | |
| Regina, Sask. | *11-17-48* | *3-9-49* | *3-9-49* | *6-1-49* | |
| Creston, B. C. | S *9-21-49* | *10- -49* | *3-10-49* | *10-1-49* | |
| Camp Lister, B. C. | S *9-21-49* | *10- -49* | *3-10-49* | *10-1-49* | |

EXHIBIT "A"

## THE BOARD OF AMERICAN MISSIONS

### Balance Sheet

*June 30, 1950*

| *Assets* | | |
|---|---|---|
| *General Funds:* | | |
| Cash in banks (Exhibit "C") | $ 173,673.37 | |
| Savings banks accounts (Schedule I) | 145,113.84 | |
| Investments (Note 1) (Schedule III) | 109,208.25 | |
| Real estate and buildings owned (Schedule IV) | 274,252.99 | |
| Equipment (Schedule V) | 31,031.93 | |
| Advances | 10,044.49 | |
| | | $ 743,324.87 |
| *Church Extension Loan Funds:* | | |
| Cash in banks (Exhibit "C") (Note 4) | $ 432,870.22 | |
| Investments (Note 1) (Schedule III) | 423,715.31 | |
| Advanced for discount on U. S. Savings Bonds, Series "F" | 31,559.25 | |
| Loans to churches (Schedule VII) | 3,830,212.51 | |
| Other advances | 4,255.00 | |
| | | 4,722,612.29 |

| *Liabilities and Funds* | | |
|---|---|---|
| *General Funds:* | | |
| Reserve for guaranteed synodical budget | $ 215,462.11 | |
| Fund guaranteeing pledges of churches | 100,000.00 | |
| Real estate fund | 274,772.48 | |
| Fund for ministering to displaced persons | 27,967.31 | |
| Double apportionment for New Work | 65,000.00 | |
| Held for Women's Missionary Society U.L.C.A. | 4,043.30 | |
| General fund surplus | 56,079.67 | |
| | | $ 743,324.87 |
| *Church Extension Loan Funds* (Exhibit "E"): | | |
| Permanent loan fund | $ 2,688,329.80 | |
| Memorial loan fund | 667,894.85 | |
| Restricted loan funds | 232,017.93 | |
| Parsonage purchase loan fund | 741,090.00 | |
| Fund guaranteeing pledges to churches | 235,000.00 | |
| Income on invested church extension funds | 13,279.71 | |
| Special service loan funds | 145,000.00 | |
| | | 4,722,612.29 |

| *Trust Funds:* | | |
|---|---|---|
| Cash in banks (Exhibit "C") | $ 7,117.05 | |
| Savings bank accounts (Schedule I) | 20,535.53 | |
| Investments (Schedule III) | 54,539.35 | |
| Loans to churches (Schedule VII) | 133,078.75 | |
| Real estate agency funds (Schedule IV) | 670.00 | |
| | | 215,940.68 |
| *Designated and Special Funds:* | | |
| Cash in banks (Exhibit "C") | $ 12,114.90 | |
| Investments (Schedule III) | 173,418.76 | |
| Loans to West Indies churches | 15,300.00 | |
| Advances, special funds | 13,187.01 | |
| | | 214,020.67 |
| Total assets | | $ 5,895,898.51 |

See Notes to Financial Statements

| *Contingent Liabilities* (Note 1) | | |
|---|---|---|
| *Trust Funds:* | | |
| Endowment funds | $ 62,420.00 | |
| Lynch Endowment for Watauga parish | 5,225.00 | |
| McMurray funds | 35,390.00 | |
| Annuity funds | 5,546.50 | |
| Special trust funds | 106,689.18 | |
| Agency funds | 670.00 | |
| | | 215,940.68 |
| *Designated and Special Funds* (Schedule VI) | | 214,020.67 |
| Total liabilities and funds | | $ 5,895,898.51 |

**EXHIBIT "B"**

## Balance Sheet

*June 30, 1949*

| *Assets* | | |
|---|---|---|
| *General Funds:* | | |
| Cash in banks (Exhibit "C") | $ 55,781.70 | |
| Savings bank accounts | 145,113.84 | |
| Investments (Note 1) | 100,000.00 | |
| Due from the Women's Missionary Society of The United Lutheran Church in America | 4,680.53 | |
| Real estate and buildings owned | 268,499.71 | |
| Equipment | 26,710.94 | |
| Advances | 9,594.49 | |
| | | $ 610,381.21 |

| *Liabilities and Funds* | | |
|---|---|---|
| *General Funds:* | | |
| Reserve for guaranteed synodical budget | $ 145,462.11 | |
| Fund guaranteeing pledges of churches | 100,000.00 | |
| Real estate fund | 269,019.20 | |
| Fund for ministering to displaced persons | 13,139.53 | |
| Double apportionment for New Work | 40,000.00 | |
| General fund surplus | 42,760.37 | |
| | | $ 610,381.21 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *Church Extension Loan Funds:* | | |
| Cash in banks (Exhibit "C") (Note 4) | $ 385,909.73 | |
| Investments (Note 1) | 508,817.17 | |
| Advanced for discount on U. S. Savings Bonds, Series "F" | 30,445.87 | |
| Loans to churches | 3,125,837.52 | |
| Other advances | 4,785.00 | |
| | | 4,055,795.29 |
| *Trust Funds:* | | |
| Cash in banks (Exhibit "C") | $ 6,616.94 | |
| Savings bank accounts | 40,178.23 | |
| Investments | 64,997.33 | |
| Loans to churches | 106,837.50 | |
| Real estate agency funds | 670.00 | |
| | | 219,300.00 |
| *Designated and Special Funds:* | | |
| Cash in banks (Exhibit "C") | $ 21,010.63 | |
| Savings bank accounts | 5,259.37 | |
| Investments | 189,127.23 | |
| Loans to West Indies churches | 16,880.00 | |
| Advances, special funds | 14,237.01 | 246,514.24 |
| Total assets | | $ 5,131,990.74 |

See Notes to Financial Statements

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *Church Extension Loan Funds* (Exhibit "E"): | | |
| Permanent loan fund | $ 2,143,880.67 | |
| Memorial loan fund | 572,354.05 | |
| Restricted loan funds | 203,688.64 | |
| 1947 apportionment "C" for parsonages | 72,000.00 | |
| Special building fund | 147,800.00 | |
| Parsonage purchase loan fund | 552,090.00 | |
| Church extension investment special service fund | 111,400.00 | |
| Fund guaranteeing pledges to churches | 135,000.00 | |
| Fund for church lot financing | 102,945.55 | |
| Income on invested church extension funds | 10,364.45 | |
| Congregational loan funds | 4,271.93 | |
| | | 4,055,795.29 |
| *Contingent Liabilities* (Note 1) | | |
| *Trust Funds:* | | |
| Endowment funds | $ 67,445.00 | |
| McMurray funds | 34,030.00 | |
| Annuity funds | 7,505.00 | |
| Special trust funds | 100,840.00 | |
| Agency funds | 670.00 | |
| | $ 210,490.00 | |
| Held for Grace English Church, Casper, Wyoming | 8,810.00 | |
| | | 219,300.00 |
| *Designated and Special Funds* | | 246,514.24 |
| Total liabilities and funds | | $ 5,131,990.74 |

## Notes to Financial Statements

*June 30, 1950*

| | |
|---|---|
| Total book value of bonds and stocks | $701,692.51 |
| Total market value of bonds and stocks | $718,452.00 |

*Note 1*—United States Treasury Bonds and Certificates of Indebtedness with a par value of $335,000.00, included in these investments, are pledged to the Cheltenham National Bank, Cheltenham, Pennsylvania, as security for loans granted by this bank to forty-six churches aggregating $608,509.70 at June 30, 1950, repayment of this sum having been guaranteed by the Board.

*Note 2*—Canadian currency in checking and savings accounts aggregating $123,077.46 at June 30, 1950, is reflected in these accounts at parity of exchange. The official rate of exchange for the Canadian dollar is $0.90625 U. S. currency.

*Note 3*—In addition to the assets enumerated on the balance sheet, the Board is the beneficiary in a trust fund of $50,000.00 held by the Western National Bank of York, York, Pennsylvania.

*Note 4*—Unfulfilled commitments of the Board:

| | |
|---|---|
| Church extension loans | $415,800.00 |
| Special grants | $ 1,260.00 |

*June 30, 1949*

| | |
|---|---|
| Total book value of bonds and stocks | $803,661.64 |
| Total market value of bonds and stocks | $801,685.85 |

*Note 1*—United States Treasury Bonds and Certificates of Indebtedness with a par value of $235,000.00 included in these investments, are pledged to the Cheltenham National Bank, Cheltenham, Pennsylvania, as security for loans granted by this bank to thirty churches aggregating $304,522.00 at June 30, 1949, repayment of this sum having been guaranteed by this Board.

*Note 2*—Canadian currency in checking and savings accounts, aggregating $156,159.35 at June 30, 1949, is reflected in these accounts at parity of exchange. The official rate of exchange for the Canadian dollar is $0.945 U. S. currency.

There is no intent to convert the above funds into U. S. currency; disbursements will be made from these funds for activities of the Board in Canada.

*Note 3*—In addition to the assets enumerated on the balance sheet, the Board is the beneficiary in a trust fund of $50,000.00 held by the Western National Bank of York, York, Pennsylvania.

*Note 4*—Unfulfilled commitments of the Board:

| | |
|---|---|
| Church extension loans | $397,100.00 |

EXHIBIT "C"

## Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 |
|---|---|---|
| *Receipts:* | | |
| General fund–(Exhibit "D") | $ 955,845.62 | $ 809,339.45 |
| Church extension loan funds—(Exhibit "E") | 623,817.08 | 455,102.21 |
| Trust funds—(Exhibit "F") | 10,567.29 | 11,145.86 |
| Designated and special funds—(Exhibit "G") | 54,293.35 | 66,497.90 |
| Sale of securities (at cost) | 451,240.93 | 758,034.00 |
| Repayments on church extension loans | 294,624.08 | 332,011.68 |
| Loan from the Chase National Bank of the City of New York | .... | 100,000.00 |
| Repayment on real estate mortgages | 240.00 | 2,365.00 |
| Sale of church properties | 2,065.30 | 8,810.00 |
| Sale of equipment | .... | 15.00 |
| Withdrawal from savings accounts | 37,816.12 | 30,016.00 |
| Repayment of missionary emergency loan | 9,140.00 | 6,313.00 |

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|---|---|---|
| Refund of special fund advances | 1,730.00 | 44,278.60 |
| Remittances from Grace English Lutheran Church, Casper, Wyoming | .... | 3,000.00 |
| Repayment on West Indies church loans | 1,580.00 | .... |
| English Church, Casper, Wyoming | .... | 210.00 |
| The Women's Missionary Society of The United Lutheran Church in America, for excess of expenditures of fiscal year ended June 30, 1949 | 4,680.53 | .... |
| | $ 2,447,640.30 | $ 2,627,138.70 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| General fund expenditures—(Exhibit "D") | $ 814,578.41 | $ 731,736.81 |
| Less: Provisions for depreciation and insurance | 12,193.17 | 9,060.91 |
| Net general fund disbursements | $ 802,385.24 | $ 722,675.90 |
| Church extension loan funds—(Exhibit "E") | 2,400.00 | 3,175.00 |
| Trust funds—(Exhibit "F") | 12,226.69 | 1,125.50 |
| Designated and special funds—(Exhibit "G") | 50,838.99 | 70,887.21 |
| Purchase of securities | 348,844.00 | 562,196.62 |
| Loans to churches | 1,025,240.32 | 998,239.10 |
| Repayment of loan from the Chase National Bank of the City of New York | .... | 100,000.00 |
| Cost of additions to church properties | 13,632.42 | 62,858.06 |
| Purchase of equipment | 9,004.48 | 4,846.53 |
| Invested in savings accounts | 12,914.05 | 3,403.71 |
| Invested in Federal Savings and Loan Associations | 149.07 | 146.10 |
| Missionary emergency loans | 9,840.00 | 12,820.00 |
| Advances from special funds | 400.00 | 27,135.00 |
| Advances for discount on U. S. Savings Bonds, Series "F", accepted at maturity value | 3,308.50 | 1,105.00 |
| Advance for imprest fund | .... | 500.00 |
| | $ 2,291,183.76 | $ 2,571,113.73 |
| *Summary:* | | |
| Cash balance, July 1, 1949, 1948 | $ 469,319.00 | $ 413,294.03 |
| Receipts | 2,447,640.30 | 2,627,138.70 |
| | $ 2,916,959.30 | $ 3,040,432.73 |
| Disbursements | 2,291,183.76 | 2,571,113.73 |
| Cash balance, June 30, 1950, 1949 | $ 625,775.54 | $ 469,319.00 |
| *Deposited in:* | | |
| The Chase National Bank of the City of New York, New York, New York | $ 577,354.01 | $ 367,947.45 |
| San Juan, Puerto Rico | 8,050.40 | 12,014.20 |
| Bank of New York and Fifth Avenue, New York | 31,583.62 | 73,096.75 |
| The Canadian Bank of Commerce, Toronto, Canada—(Note 2) | 8,787.51 | 16,260.60 |
| | $ 625,775.54 | $ 469,319.00 |
| *Held for the Following Funds:* | | |
| General funds | $ 173,673.37 | $ 55,781.70 |
| Church extension loan funds | 432,870.22 | 385,909.73 |
| Trust funds | 7,117.05 | 6,616.94 |
| Designated and special funds | 12,114.90 | 21,010.63 |
| | $ 625,775.54 | $ 469,319.00 |

EXHIBIT "D"

## General Funds

### Statement of Income and Expenditures

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Operating Income:* | | | | |
| The United Lutheran Church in America: | | | | |
| On apportionment | $742,700.00 | | $633,000.00 | |
| On double apportionment: For new work | 32,000.00 | | 40,000.00 | |
| For spiritual ministry to displaced persons | 43,000.00 | | 10,000.00 | |
| Refund, The Christian Approach to the Jewish People | .... | | 428.71 | |
| | | $817,700.00 | | $683,428.71 |
| The Women's Missionary Society of The United Lutheran Church in America: | | | | |
| On Budget | $111,627.97 | | $ 99,462.14 | |
| For ministering to displaced persons | .... | | 500.00 | |
| | | 111,627.97 | | 99,962.14 |
| Contributions: | | | | |
| Congregations and individuals | $ 7,247.19 | | $ 7,957.59 | |
| Synodically supported missions | 70.00 | | 15.00 | |
| For services of board missionaries | 7,805.00 | | 5,220.00 | |
| | | 15,122.19 | | 13,192.59 |
| Gift of the Church of the Divine Saviour, Catano, Puertc Rico | | .... | | 4,000.00 |
| Income from investments | | 11,395.46 | | 4,385.00 |
| Proceeds from sale of real estate, Fredericksted, St. Croix, Virgin Islands | | .... | | 3,503.00 |
| 1948 Summer Schools—refund of unused expenses | | .... | | 868.01 |
| | | $955,845.62 | | $809,339.45 |
| *Operating Expenditures:* | | | | |
| Missionaries: | | | | |
| Synodical work (Schedule II) | $436,284.85 | | $425,049.93 | |
| West Indies | 34,175.00 | | 31,662.00 | |
| Rocky Boy | 4,285.00 | | 5,205.00 | |
| Expenses | 57,240.72 | | 49,879.97 | |
| | | $531,985.57 | | $511,796.90 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Categories of Work: | | | | | | |
| Surveys and expenses | | $ 11,789,98 | | | $ 7,153.72 | |
| Advances to summer canvassers | | 1,500.00 | | | .... | |
| Rural Institute | | 2,007.84 | | | .... | |
| DP Pastors | | 28,172.22 | | | 7,360.47 | |
| Southern Mountain Work | | 25,697.73 | | | 21,213.59 | |
| American Lutheran Church for Negro Work | | 4,000.00 | | | 4,000.00 | |
| | | | 73,167.77 | | | 39,727.78 |
| West Indies (Exclusive of Missionaries Salaries): | | | | | | |
| Real Estate Maintenance | | $ 14,496.74 | | | $ 7,633.89 | |
| Virgin Islands Home—Child Welfare | | 6,240.00 | | | 6,000.00 | |
| | | | 20,736.74 | | | 13,633.89 |
| Staff: | | | | | | |
| Salaries, Rent Allowance and Travel: | | | | | | |
| Executive Secretary—Rev. Zenan H. Corbe, D.D. | | | | | | |
| Salary | .... | | | $ 3,438.50 | | |
| Allowance | $ 2,400.00 | | | 1,800.00 | | |
| Travel Expense | .... | | | 98.38 | | |
| | | $ 2,400.00 | | | $ 5,336.88 | |
| Executive Secretary—Rev. R. H. Gerberding, D.D. | | | | | | |
| Salary | $ 7,800.00 | | | $ 3,900.00 | | |
| Allowance | 1,999.99 | | | 1,000.00 | | |
| Travel Expense | 999.75 | | | 1,195.31 | | |
| | | 10,799.74 | | | 6,095.31 | |
| Assistant Executive Secretary—Rev. Paul Andrew Kirsch, D.D. | | | | | | |
| Salary | $ 6,280.00 | | | $ 5,980.00 | | |
| Allowance | 1,200.00 | | | 900.00 | | |
| Travel Expense | 1,504.52 | | | 1,163.29 | | |
| | | 8,984.52 | | | 8,043.29 | |
| Director of Church Extension—Elwood L. Bowman | | | | | | |
| Salary | $ 6,800.00 | | | $ 5,980.00 | | |
| Allowance | 1,200.00 | | | 900.00 | | |
| Travel Expense | 3,574.75 | | | 2,909.58 | | |
| | | 11,574.75 | | | 9,789.58 | |

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| Secretary of English Missions—Rev. A. M. Knudson, D.D. | | | | | | |
| Salary | $ 6,280.00 | | | $ 5,980.00 | | |
| Allowance | 1,200.00 | | | 900.00 | | |
| Travel Expense | 3,228.78 | | | 1,886.53 | | |
| | | 10,708.78 | | | 8,766.53 | |
| Secretary of Linguistic Interests—Rev. E. A. Tappert, D.D. (to December 31, 1948, date of retirement) | | | | | | |
| Salary | $ .... | | | $ 2,990.00 | | |
| Allowance | 1,500.00 | | | 1,200.00 | | |
| Travel Expense | .... | | | 22.54 | | |
| | | 1,500.00 | | | 4,212.54 | |
| Secretary of Survey and Research—Rev. Karl S. Henry | | | | | | |
| Salary | $ 5,800.00 | | | $ 5,720.00 | | |
| Allowance | 1,200.00 | | | 900.00 | | |
| Travel Expense | 2,700.63 | | | 2,226.52 | | |
| | | 9,700.63 | | | 8,846.52 | |
| Secretary for Latin America—Rev. Wm. G. Arbaugh | | | | | | |
| Salary | $ 5,800.00 | | | $ 5,200.00 | | |
| Travel Expense | 2,100.40 | | | 1,664.64 | | |
| | | 7,900.40 | | | 6,864.64 | |
| Administration: | | | 63,568.82 | | | 57,955.29 |
| Staff offices | $ 26,681.27 | | | $22,898.69 | | |
| Clerical help | 10,883.57 | | | 7,962.60 | | |
| Office maintenance | 7,590.00 | | | 7,987.50 | | |
| Telephone, postage and supplies | 1,969.35 | | | 1,414.33 | | |
| Total offices | | 47,124.19 | | | 40,263.12 | |
| Board and Committee Meetings | | 6,503.17 | | | 8,502.63 | |
| Bank Charge, Investment Service and legal expense | | 919.56 | | | 1,561.42 | |
| Provision for fire and hurricane insurance | | 1,750.00 | | | 1,750.00 | |
| Audit | | 1,675.00 | | | 1,475.00 | |
| Insurance and bonding | | 620.72 | | | 526.70 | |
| Interest on bank loan | | .... | | | 491.67 | |
| Miscellaneous | | 338.85 | | | 446.21 | |
| | | | 58,931.49 | | | 55,016.75 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| Personnel: | | | | |
| Hospitalization | $ 8,561.28 | | $7,660.44 | |
| Ministers' Pensions | 19,230.30 | | 16,231.91 | |
| Lay Pensions | 380.51 | | 331.96 | |
| Summer Schools—expense | 1,059.78 | | .... | |
| Summer Schools—advance | 9,625.00 | | 8,500.00 | |
| Seminary Student Aid | 1,850.00 | 40,706.87 | 2,729.00 | 35,453.31 |
| Promotion: | | | | |
| Linguistic literature | $ 5,768.21 | | $ 6,408.88 | |
| Publicity | 3,204.77 | | 1,019.65 | |
| Home Missions Council | 2,900.00 | | 1,463.45 | |
| Missionary Education Movement | 500.00 | 12,372.98 | .... | 8,891.98 |
| Special Grants to Churches: | | | | |
| For architectural services | $ 75.00 | | $ 1,590.00 | |
| For remodeling | 2,000.00 | | .... | |
| Miscellaneous | 590.00 | 2,665.00 | 360.00 | 1,950.00 |
| Depreciation Charged: | | | | |
| Real Estate | $ 5,759.68 | | $ 3,790.32 | |
| Equipment | 4,683.49 | 10,443.17 | 3,520.59 | 7,310.91 |
| Total operating expenditures | | $814,578.41 | | $731,736.81 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Summary:* | | | | | | |
| General fund principal, beginning of year | | | $610,381.21 | | | $547,908.49 |
| Add: | | | | | | |
| Operating surplus: | | | | | | |
| Operating receipts | $955,845.62 | | | $809,339.45 | | |
| Operating expenses | 814,578.41 | | | 731,736.81 | | |
| Surplus | | $141,267.21 | | | $ 77,602.64 | |
| Due from the Women's Missionary Society of The United Lutheran Church in America for funds advanced for mission work | | .... | | | 4,680.53 | |
| Appreciation of U. S. Savings Bonds, Series "F", accepted at issue price | | 25.26 | | | 21.55 | |
| Transfers from designated and special funds | | 4,097.93 | | | 8,668.00 | |
| | | | 145,390.40 | | | 90,972.72 |
| | | | $755,771.61 | | | $638,881.21 |
| Deduct: | | | | | | |
| Transfers to other funds | | $ 10,600.00 | | | | 28,500.00 |
| Premium on $100,000 U. S. Treasury bonds purchased reduced to the extent of interest earned thereon | | 1,792.58 | | | | .... |
| Loss on sale of Saskatoon lots | | 54.16 | | | | .... |
| | | | 12,446.74 | | | .... |
| General fund principal, end of year | | | $743,324.87 | | | $610,381.21 |

EXHIBIT "E"

## Church Extension Loan Funds
### Statement of Income and Expense
*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Receipts:* | | | | |
| The United Lutheran Church in America, Apportionment | | $ 205,000.00 | | .... |
| Double apportionment | | 293,054.00 | | $ 348,945.55 |
| Anniversary appeal | | 381.33 | | .... |
| Maturity Class "B" Securities | | 1,580.00 | | 11,201.46 |
| Proceeds from property sales of disbanded congregations | | 12,508.69 | | .... |
| Payments on conditional claims | | 1,720.00 | | .... |
| Bequests | | 93,830.88 | | 70,449.10 |
| Contributions: | | | | |
| From individuals and congregations | $9,238.67 | | $9,816.65 | |
| From the Synod of the Northwest | .... | | 5,500.00 | |
| From Women's Missionary Society | 688.25 | 9,926.92 | .... | 15,316.65 |
| Income on investments | | 5,815.26 | | 9,189.45 |
| | | $ 623,817.08 | | $ 455,102.21 |
| *Disbursements:* | | | | |
| Grants to congregations for repayment of loans | | $ 2,400.00 | | $ 3,175.00 |
| *Summary:* | | | | |
| Principal, beginning of year | | $4,055,795.29 | | $3,555,568.08 |
| Receipts | | 623,817.08 | | 455,102.21 |
| Transfers from other funds | | 45,899.92 | | 48,320.00 |
| | | $4,725,512.29 | | $4,058,990.29 |
| Deduct: | | | | |
| Disbursements | $2,400.00 | | $3,175.00 | |
| Transfers to designated and special fund | .... | | 20.00 | |
| Grant to St. Augustine, Florida | 500.00 | 2,900.00 | .... | 3,195.00 |
| Principal, end of year | | $4,722,612.29 | | $4,055,795.29 |
| *Principal Funds—End of Year:* | | | | |
| Permanent loan fund | | $2,688,329.80 | | $2,143,880.67 |
| Memorial loan fund | | 667,894.85 | | 572,354.05 |
| Restricted loan fund | | 232,017.93 | | 203,688.64 |
| 1947 Apportionment "C" for parsonages | | .... | | 72,000.00 |
| Special building fund | | .... | | 147,800.00 |
| Parsonage purchase loan fund | | 741,090.00 | | 552,090.00 |
| Church extension investment special fund | | .... | | 111,400.00 |
| Fund guaranteeing pledges of churches | | 235,000.00 | | 135,000.00 |
| Fund for church lot financing | | .... | | 102,945.55 |
| Income on investment of church funds | | 13,279.71 | | 10,364.45 |
| Special service loan fund | | 145,000.00 | | .... |
| Congregational loan funds | | .... | | 4,271.93 |
| | | $4,722,612.29 | | $4,055,795.29 |

EXHIBIT "F"

## Trust Funds

### Statement of Income and Expenses

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Receipts:* | | | | |
| Income on investments | | $ 5,836.00 | | $ 6,145.86 |
| Annuity sold | | 500.00 | | .... |
| Estate of Lula Bayha Lynch for endowment fund | | .... | | 5,000.00 |
| Bequests received | | 4,231.29 | | .... |
| Total receipts | | $ 10,567.29 | | $ 11,145.86 |
| *Disbursements:* | | | | |
| Payments to annuitants | | $ 1,058.58 | | $ 1,125.00 |
| Return of trust fund to Grace Lutheran Church, Casper, Wyoming | | 8,810.00 | | .... |
| Transmission of bequest for Jewish Mission to U.L.C.A. | | 2,358.11 | | .... |
| Total disbursements | | $ 12,226.69 | | $ 1,125.00 |
| *Summary:* | | | | |
| Principal balance, beginning of year | | $210,490.00 | | $200,789.64 |
| Receipts | | 10,567.29 | | 11,145.86 |
| Cash held for Grace Lutheran Church of Casper, Wyoming, July 1, 1949 | | 8,810.00 | | .... |
| | | $229,867.29 | | $211,935.50 |
| Deduct: | | | | |
| Disbursements | $12,226.69 | | $1,125.50 | |
| Transfer to Memorial Loan Fund | 1,699.92 | | 320.00 | |
| | | 13,926.61 | | 1,445.50 |
| Principal balance, end of year | | $215,940.68 | | $210,490.00 |

EXHIBIT "G"

## Designated and Special Funds

### Statement of Income and Expenses

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Receipts:* | | | | |
| Interest on church extension and parsonage loans | | $ 29,300.28 | | $ 30,567.87 |
| Interest on loan to Evangelical Lutheran Church of The Transfiguration, Harlem, New York, New York | | 155.36 | | 43.56 |
| Income from investments | | 5,424.60 | | 4,147.21 |
| Contributions: | | | | |
| Individuals and congregations | | 7,253.99 | | 15,871.45 |
| The Women's Missionary Society of The United Lutheran Church in America: | | | | |
| For St. Matthew's Church Building Fund, Konnarock, Virginia | .... | | $ 2,800.00 | |
| For organ in Puerto Rico | .... | | 1,500.00 | |
| For Home Missions Council of North America | $ 1,800.00 | | .... | |
| Other contributions | 1,584.95 | | 3,256.81 | |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| For station wagon, Fredericksted Virgin Islands Home | 2,000.00 | | .... | |
| | | 5,384.95 | | 7,556.81 |
| Virginia Synod for St. Matthew's Church, Konnarock, Virginia | | 2,000.00 | | .... |
| Estate of Lula Bayha Lynch for Grace Church, Oak Ridge, Tennessee | | .... | | 5,000.00 |
| Premium on securities sold | | 2,261.17 | | .... |
| Reimbursement for architectural services to congregations | | 2,513.00 | | 3,311.00 |
| | | $ 54,293.35 | | $ 66,497.90 |
| *Disbursements:* | | | | |
| Designated funds transmitted: | | | | |
| Home Missions Council of North America | $ 1,800.00 | | .... | |
| Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Jackson, Mississippi | .... | | $17,277.60 | |
| Southern mountain work | 1,812.59 | | .... | |
| Queen Louise Home, St. Croix, Virgin Islands | .... | | 14,275.00 | |
| West Indies field | 1,266.86 | | .... | |
| For organ in Puerto Rico | .... | | 1,500.00 | |
| Station wagon for Fredericksted Virgin Islands Home | 2,000.00 | | .... | |
| Miscellaneous | 3,715.04 | | 9,606.80 | |
| St. Matthew's Church building fund, Konnarock, Virginia | 10,800.00 | | .... | |
| Grace Lutheran Church building fund, Oak Ridge, Tennessee | 10,000.00 | | .... | |
| | | $ 31,394.49 | | $ 42,659.40 |
| Grants from interest on church extension loans fund: | | | | |
| Architects' fees | $ 5,498.33 | | $15,834.59 | |
| Grants to churches for: | | | | |
| Architectural services | 7,728.76 | | 9,166.75 | |
| Remodeling of property, engineering and legal fees, interest, etc. | 2,231.05 | | 2,110.75 | |
| Interdenominational Bureau of Architecture | 1,210.00 | | 1,099.83 | |
| Architectural portfolio | 2,776.36 | | .... | |
| | | 19,444.50 | | 28,211.92 |
| Loss on sale of investments | | .... | | 15.89 |
| | | $ 50,838.99 | | $ 70,887.21 |
| *Summary:* | | | | |
| Principal, Beginning of year | | $246,514.24 | | $277,301.55 |
| Receipts | | 54,293.35 | | 66,497.90 |
| Increase of Reserve for Insurance | | 1,750.00 | | 1,750.00 |
| Transfers from other funds | | .... | | 8,520.00 |
| | | $302,557.59 | | $354,069.45 |
| Deduct | | | | |
| Disbursements | $50,838.99 | | $70,887.21 | |
| Transfers to other funds | 37,697.93 | | 36,668.00 | |
| | | 88,536.92 | | 107,555.21 |
| **Principal, Ending of year** | | **$214,020.67** | | **$246,514.24** |

EXHIBIT "H"

## "Agency Account"

## Balance Sheet

*June 30, 1950*

| *Assets* | | |
|---|---|---|
| *The Women's Missionary Society of the United Lutheran Church in America:* | | |
| Church extension loan fund: | | |
| Cash in banks | $ 15,940.93 | |
| Loans to churches (Schedule VIII) | 285,665.14 | |
| U. S. Savings Bonds, Series "F" at redemption value (maturity value $19,150) | 14,562.14 | |
| Advance for discount on U. S. Savings Bonds, Series "F" | 4,575.36 | |
| | | $320,743.57 |
| First mortgage loan fund: | | |
| Cash in banks | $ 7,011.10 | |
| Loans to churches (Schedule VIII) | 92,988.90 | |
| | | 100,000.00 |
| Parsonage purchase loan fund: | | |
| Cash in banks | $ 14,358.25 | |
| Loans to churches (Schedule VIII) | 73,640.00 | |
| | | 87,998.25 |
| *The Women's Missionary Society of the Illinois Synod Golden Jubilee Fund:* | | |
| Cash in banks | $ 3,692.50 | |
| Loans to churches (Schedule VIII) | 6,307.50 | |
| | | 10,000.00 |

| *Funds* | | |
|---|---|---|
| *The Women's Missionary Society of the United Lutheran Church in America:* | | |
| Church extension loan fund: | | |
| Principal account | $314,651.16 | |
| Interest account | 6,092.41 | |
| | | $320,743.57 |
| First mortgage loan fund: | | |
| Principal account | | 100,000.00 |
| Parsonage purchase loan fund: | | |
| Principal account | $ 87,499.96 | |
| Interest account | 498.29 | |
| | | 87,998.25 |
| *The Women's Missionary Society of the Illinois Synod Golden Jubilee Fund:* | | |
| Principal account | | 10,000.00 |

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|---|---|---|
| *The Lutheran Finance Foundation of the East Pennsylvania Conference of the Central Pennsylvania Synod:* | | |
| Cash in banks | $ 619.50 | |
| Loans to churches (Schedule VIII) | 3,650.00 | |
| | | 4,269.50 |
| *Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Brooklyn, N. Y. — Investment Trust Fund:* | | |
| Loans to churches (Schedule VIII) | | 4,937.50 |
| *First Lutheran Church of Babylon, L. I., New York—Trust Fund:* | | |
| Cash in banks | | 1,000.00 |
| Total assets | | $528,948.82 |

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|---|---|---|
| *The Lutheran Finance Foundation of the East Pennsylvania Conference of the Central Pennsylvania Synod:* | | |
| Principal account | $ 4,118.50 | |
| Interest account | 151.00 | |
| | | 4,269.50 |
| *Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Brooklyn, N. Y. — Investment Trust Fund:* | | |
| Principal account | | 4,937.50 |
| *First Lutheran Church of Babylon, L. I., New York—Trust Fund:* | | |
| Principal account | | 1,000.00 |
| Total funds | | $528,948.82 |

EXHIBIT "I"

## "Agency Account"

## Balance Sheet

*June 30, 1949*

*Assets*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *The Women's Missionary Society of the United Lutheran Church in America:* | | |
| Church Extension Loan Fund: | | |
| Cash in banks | $ 16,866.35 | |
| Loans to churches | 273,783.78 | |
| U. S. Savings Bonds, Series "F" at redemption value (maturity value $19,150.) | 14,347.70 | |
| Advance for discount on U. S. Savings Bonds, Series "F" | 4,789.80 | |
| | | $309,787.63 |

*Funds*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *The Women's Missionary Society of the United Lutheran Church in America:* | | |
| Church Extension Loan Fund: | | |
| Principal account | $304,151.16 | |
| Interest account | 5,636.47 | |
| | | $309,787.63 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| First Mortgage Loan Fund: | | |
| Cash in banks | $ 12,212.96 | |
| Loans to churches | 87,787.04 | |
| | | 100,000.00 |
| Parsonage Purchase Loan Fund: | | |
| Cash in banks | $ 4,049.47 | |
| Loans to churches | 65,175.00 | |
| | | 69,224.47 |
| *The Women's Missionary Society of the Illinois Synod Golden Jubilee Fund:* | | |
| Cash in banks | $ 3,290.00 | |
| Loans to churches | 6,710.00 | |
| | | 10,000.00 |
| *The Lutheran Finance Foundation of the East Pennsylvania Conference of the Central Pennsylvania Synod:* | | |
| Cash in banks | $ 268.50 | |
| Loans to churches | 3,850.00 | |
| | | 4,118.50 |
| Total assets | | $493,130.60 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| First Mortgage Loan Fund: | | |
| Principal account | | 100,000.00 |
| Parsonage Purchase Loan Fund: | | |
| Principal account | $ 68,999.96 | |
| Interest account | 224.51 | |
| | | 69,224.47 |
| *The Women's Missionary Society of the Illinois Synod Golden Jubilee Fund:* | | |
| Principal account | | 10,000.00 |
| *The Lutheran Finance Foundation of the East Pennsylvania Conference of the Central Pennsylvania Synod:* | | |
| Principal account | $ 4,000.00 | |
| Interest account | 118.50 | |
| | | 4,118.50 |
| Total funds | | $493,130.60 |

## "Agency Account"
## Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements
*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Receipts:* | | | | |
| Repayments on loans to churches granted by: | | | | |
| The Women's Missionary Society of The United Lutheran Church in America: | | | | |
| Church extension loan fund | $ 30,268.64 | | $ 19,772.92 | |
| First Mortgage loan fund | 13,298.14 | | 16,637.33 | |
| Parsonage purchase loan fund | 2,335.00 | | 1,975.00 | |
| The Women's Missionary Society of the Illinois Synod Golden Jubilee fund | 402.50 | | 171.25 | |
| The Lutheran Finance Foundation of the East Pennsylvania Synod | 200.00 | | 150.00 | |
| Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Brooklyn, New York | 62.50 | | .... | |
| | | $ 46,566.78 | | $ 38,706.50 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Budget appropriation of the Women's Missionary Society of The United Lutheran Church in America for: | | | | |
| Church extension loan fund | $ 10,000.00 | | $ 19,999.98 | |
| Parsonage purchase loan fund | 11,000.00 | | 10,999.98 | |
| Matured annuity for church extension fund | 500.00 | | .... | |
| Bequest for parsonage purchase loan fund | 7,500.00 | | .... | |
| | | 29,000.00 | | 30,999.96 |
| Interest on: | | | | |
| Church extension loans | $ 1,514.85 | | $ 1,466.11 | |
| First mortgage loans | 2,957.20 | | 3,327.19 | |
| Parsonage purchase loans | 717.55 | | 636.66 | |
| Illinois Synod Golden Jubilee fund loans | 12.00 | | 1.00 | |
| The Lutheran Finance Foundation loans | 151.00 | | 118.50 | |
| Church of the Redeemer, Brooklyn, New York—loans | 50.00 | | .... | |
| | | 5,402.60 | | 5,549.46 |
| Refund due to cancellation of loan to St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Ottawa, Ontario | | .... | | 5,000.00 |
| Principal fund—from the Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Brooklyn, New York | | 5,000.00 | | .... |
| Principal fund—from First Lutheran Church of Babylon, Long Island, New York | | 1,000.00 | | .... |
| Total receipts | | $ 86,969.38 | | $ 80,255.92 |
| *Disbursements:* | | | | |
| Loans to churches granted by the Women's Missionary Society of The United Lutheran Church in America: | | | | |
| Church extension loan fund | $ 42,150.00 | | $ 56,407.50 | |
| First mortgage loan fund | 18,500.00 | | 21,000.00 | |
| Parsonage purchase loan fund | 10,800.00 | | 42,262.50 | |
| | | $ 71,450.00 | | $119,670.00 |
| Loan to church granted from Redeemer Church, Brooklyn fund | | $ 5,000.00 | | .... |
| Interest remitted to: | | | | |
| The Women's Missionary Society of The United Lutheran Church in America: | | | | |
| From church extension interest fund | $ 708.88 | | $ 736.80 | |
| From first mortgage interest fund | 2,957.20 | | 3,327.19 | |
| From parsonage purchase interest fund | 293.77 | | 158.33 | |
| | | 3,959.85 | | $4,222·32 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Illinois Synod Golden Jubilee fund | 12.00 | 1.00 |
| Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Brooklyn, New York, Trust fund | 50.00 | .... |
| Grant from parsonage purchase interest fund of The Women's Missionary Society of The United Lutheran Church in America | .... | 300.00 |
| Principal remitted to The Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Brooklyn, New York trust fund | 62.50 | .... |
| Special grant to churches | 500.03 | .... |
| Total disbursements | $ 81,034.38 | $124,193.32 |
| *Summary:* | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of year | $ 36,687.28 | $ 80,624.68 |
| Receipts | 86,969.38 | 80,255.92 |
| | $123,656.66 | $160,880.60 |
| Disbursements | 81,034.38 | 124,193.32 |
| Cash balance, end of year | $ 42,622.28 | $ 36,687.28 |
| *Deposited In:* | | |
| The Chase National Bank of the City of New York, New York | $ 37,573.00 | $ 18,370.09 |
| The Canadian Bank of Commerce, Toronto, Canada | 5,049.28 | 18,317.19 |
| | $ 42,622.28 | $ 36,687.28 |
| *Held for the Following Funds:* | | |
| The Women's Missionary Society of The United Lutheran Church in America: | | |
| Church extension loan fund | $ 15,940.93 | $ 16,866.35 |
| First mortgage loan fund | 7,011.10 | 12,212.96 |
| Parsonage purchase loan fund | 14,358.25 | 4,049.47 |
| | $ 37,310.28 | $ 33,128.78 |
| The Women's Missionary Society of Illinois Synod—Golden Jubilee fund | 3,692.50 | 3,290.00 |
| The Lutheran Finance Foundation of the East Pennsylvania Conference of Central Penna. Synod | 619.50 | 268.50 |
| First Lutheran Church of Babylon, New York | 1,000.00 | .... |
| | $ 42,622.28 | $ 36,687.28 |

SCHEDULE I

## Cash in Savings Bank Accounts

*June 30, 1950*

| | |
|---|---|
| Cheltenham National Bank: | |
| Time account | $ 5,311.96 |
| Savings account | 5,432.26 |
| Akron Savings and Loan Company | 2,927.44 |
| Philadelphia Saving Fund Society | 18,847.58 |
| Western Saving Fund Society, Philadelphia | 18,840.18 |
| Canadian Bank of Commerce (Note 2): | |
| Savings account | 94,975.64 |
| Accumulation Income account | 19,314.31 |
| Total | $165,649.37 |
| Held for the following funds: | |
| General Funds | $145,113.84 |
| Trust Funds | 20,535.53 |
| Total | $165,649.37 |

## Analysis of Missionaries Salaries and Allowances by Synod

SCHEDULE II

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | Number of Missionaries | | Salaries and Allowances | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 |
| California Synod | 39 | 33 | $ 82,254.50 | $ 75,406.00 |
| Canada Synod | 18 | 17 | 18,632.00 | 14,045.00 |
| Central Pennsylvania Synod | 16 | 17 | 12,739.50 | 13,214.82 |
| Florida Synod | 7 | 7 | 9,544.00 | 7,356.00 |
| Georgia-Alabama Synod | 9 | 11 | 14,035.00 | 13,447.50 |
| Icelandic Synod | 5 | 4 | 3,819.00 | 3,222.00 |
| Illinois Synod | 16 | 14 | 19,790.02 | 20,388.00 |
| Indiana Synod | 4 | 4 | 3,614.00 | 3,863.00 |
| Iowa Synod | 1 | 1 | 789.00 | 936.00 |
| Kansas Synod | 4 | 3 | 6,198.00 | 3,810.00 |
| Kentucky-Tennessee Synod | 5 | 6 | 5,813.00 | 10,669.50 |
| Maryland Synod | 4 | 6 | 5,079.00 | 6,775.17 |
| Michigan Synod | 7 | 7 | 10,271.50 | 11,190.12 |
| Midwest Synod | 3 | 3 | 3,447.00 | 3,148.50 |
| Mississippi Synod | 6 | 3 | 8,151.00 | 3,961.00 |
| Nebraska Synod | 1 | 1 | 615.00 | 1,654.50 |
| New York Synod | 32 | 29 | 31,639.60 | 34,499.50 |
| North Carolina Synod | 15 | 16 | 14,092.00 | 12,147.25 |
| Northwest Synod | 29 | 29 | 29,076.00 | 28,118.68 |
| Ohio Synod | 10 | 11 | 12,944.00 | 14,673.50 |
| Pacific Synod | 21 | 20 | 39,469.15 | 33,655.00 |
| Ministerium of Pennsylvania | 17 | 15 | 15,408.00 | 12,873.75 |
| Pittsburgh Synod | 21 | 17 | 16,160.50 | 14,344.00 |
| Rocky Mountain Synod | 5 | 6 | 6,534.50 | 8,920.00 |
| Slovak-Zion Synod | 3 | 1 | 1,393.25 | 312.00 |
| South Carolina Synod | 17 | 16 | 13,596.50 | 12,202.00 |
| Texas Synod | 4 | 3 | 3,758.00 | 3,510.00 |
| Virginia Synod | 18 | 24 | 24,957.00 | 39,928.33 |
| Wartburg Synod | 2 | 2 | 849.00 | 1,523.00 |
| West Virginia Synod | 1 | .... | 85.00 | .... |
| Western Canada Synod | 23 | 22 | 19,350.50 | 12,024.75 |
| | 363 | 348 | $434,104.52 | $421,818.87 |
| Adjustment for accrued items and transfers | | | 2,180.33 | 3,231.06 |
| | | | $436,284.85 | $425,049.93 |

SCHEDULE III

## Investments

*June 30, 1950*

| Par Value | BONDS | Book Value | Market Value |
|---|---|---|---|
| $ 5,000. | Dominion of Canada, 3%, due 1958 | $ 4,937.50 | $ 4,562.50 |
| 1,000. | Dominion of Canada, 3%, due 1966 | 1,000.00 | 912.50 |
| 5,000. | New Orleans, Texas and Mexico Railway, 4½%, First Mortgage, Series "D", due 1956 | 2,030.00 | 5,000.00 |
| 5,000. | Pennsylvania Railroad, General Mortgage, Series "A", due 1965 | 5,043.75 | 5,050.00 |
| 100,000. | United States Treasury, 2¼%, due 12/15/62-59 (Note A) | 100,488.67 | 101,218.75 |
| 200,000. | United States Treasury, 2¼%, due 6/15/62-59 (Note A) | 200,000.00 | 202,625.00 |
| 191,000. | United States Savings, Series "G", 2½%, due 1954-55-56-57 | 191,000.00 | 182,507.00* |
| 35,000. | United States Certificates of Indebtedness, 1¼%, due 7/1/50 (Note A) | 35,000.00 | 35,000.00 |
| 143,525. | United States Savings, Series "F", due 1954-55-56-57-58-59-60-61-62 | 111,620.86 | 111,620.86* |
| | Total bonds | $651,120.78 | $648,496.61 |

NOTE (A)—Securities listed above having an aggregate par value of $335,000.00 are held by The Cheltenham National Bank, Cheltenham, Pennsylvania, as collateral securing loans to mission churches aggregating $608,509.70 at June 30, 1950 which have been guaranteed by The Board of American Missions.

| No. of Shares | STOCKS | Book Value | Market Value |
|---|---|---|---|
| | Preferred Stocks: | | |
| 19 | American Cyanamid Company, Cumulative Convertible Preferred, Series "B", 3½% | $ 2,075.16 | $ 2,047.25 |
| 11 | Little Miami Railroad Company, Original 8% Guaranteed | 737.00 | 1,012.00 |
| 6 | Dayton and Michigan Railroad Company, 8% preferred | 390.00 | 534.00 |
| | | $ 3,202.16 | $ 3,593.25 |
| | Common Stocks: | | |
| 135 29/100 | American Cyanamid Company | $ 5,125.88 | $ 9,165.89 |
| 4 4/24 | Armstrong Westmoreland Coal Company | 357.15 | .... |
| 100 | General Motors Corporation | 4,617.00 | 8,750.00 |
| 100 | General Public Utilities Corporation | 1,418.13 | 1,650.00 |
| 133 | Hartford Fire Insurance Company | 8,810.50 | 16,026.50 |
| 200 | International Nickel Company of Canada, Limited | 6,340.75 | 5,650.00 |
| 1 8/12 | Kiski Gas Coal Corporation | 142.85 | x |
| 11 | Little Miami Railroad Company, Special Certificated Betterment | 363.00 | 473.00 |
| 100 | Montgomery Ward Company | 4,762.85 | 5,400.00 |
| 100 | Philadelphia Electric Company | 2,146.46 | 2,475.00 |
| 102 | Socony Vacuum Oil Company | 1,541.31 | 2,001.75 |
| 100 | Standard Oil Company of Indiana | 3,145.31 | 4,750.00 |
| 200 | Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company | 5,077.50 | 6,500.00 |
| 117 1/3 | York Trust Company | 3,520.88 | 3,520.00 |
| | | $ 47,369.57 | $ 66,362.14 |
| | Total stocks | $ 50,571.73 | $ 69,955.39 |
| | Real Estate Mortgage | | |
| | East Whitehouse, New Jersey | $ 1,700.00 | $ 1,700.00 |

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* Redemption value

x—No quotation available

Federal Savings and Loan Associations

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Bronx Federal Savings and Loan Association, New York, N. Y. | $ 2,596.72 | 2,596.72 |
| First Federal Savings and Loan Association, New York, N. Y. | 4,062.75 | 4,062.75 |
| Suffolk County Federal Savings and Loan Association, Babylon, N. Y. | 50,321.94 | 50,321.94 |
| The Homestead Loan and Savings Association, Dayton, Ohio | 507.75 | 507.75 |
| | $ 57,489.16 | $ 57,489.16 |

Summary

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Bonds | $651,120.78 | $648,496.61 |
| Stocks | 50,571.73 | 69,955.39 |
| Real Estate Mortgage | 1,700.00 | 1,700.00 |
| Federal Savings and Loan Associations | 57,489.16 | 57,489.16 |
| Total investments | $760,881.67 | $777,641.16 |

*Held for the Following Funds:*

| | |
|---|---|
| General Fund | $109,208.25 |
| Church Extension Loan Fund | 423,715.31 |
| Trust Funds | 54,539.35 |
| Designated and Special Funds | 173,418.76 |
| | $760,881.67 |

## Real Estate and Buildings

SCHEDULE IV

*June 30, 1950*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *Real Estate in the United States:* | | |
| Iron Mountain School, Konnarock, Virginia | $ 13,155.00 | |
| Konnarock Training School | 1,575.00 | |
| Mt. Ephraim, N. J., lots | 134.06 | |
| | | $ 14,864.06 |
| *Church Buildings in the West Indies:* | | |
| Virgin Islands: | | |
| Fredericksted, St. Croix Children's Home | $ 20,280.93 | |
| Puerto Rico: | | |
| Puerta de Tierra, church school and lot parsonage | 36,775.00 | |
| Dorado, chapel and lot | 4,900.00 | |
| parsonage and lot | 1,450.00 | |
| Bayamon, church and lot | 5,405.00 | |
| Sunday school building | 2,080.00 | |
| parsonage and lot | 5,580.00 | |
| Villa Betania and lot | 7,650.00 | |
| Comerio St., church and lot | 15,194.00 | |
| Comerio St., Sunday school building | 1,350.00 | |
| Comerio St., parsonage and lot | 4,270.00 | |
| Catano, church and lot | 3,450.00 | |
| Sunday school building and lot | 3,565.00 | |
| lots and parsonage, Carretera, Santa Marta Sts. | 24,014.00 | |
| old parsonage | 2,150.00 | |
| Higuillar, chapel and lot | 550.00 | |
| Hyde Park, Rio Piedras, church and lot | 50,205.00 | |
| Palo Seco, parsonage and lot | 850.00 | |
| church | 610.00 | |
| lot | 50.00 | |
| Monte Flores, chapel, parsonage, school and lot | 28,600.00 | |
| Monacillos, church and lot | 4,260.00 | |
| Maracayo, chapel and lot | 560.00 | |
| Juan Domingo, chapel and lot | 4,220.00 | |
| Santurce Park St., parsonages and lot | 20,970.00 | |
| Sabana, lot | 1,200.00 | |
| Toa Baja, church and lot | 6,625.00 | |
| parsonage and lot | 2,575.00 | |
| | | 259,388.93 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *Miscellaneous:* | | |
| Harmony Grove, Pennsylvania | $ 500.00 | |
| Cly, Pennsylvania | 170.00 | 670.00 |
| Total | | $274,922.99 |
| *Held in:* | | |
| General Funds | | $274,252.99 |
| Trust Funds | | 670.00 |
| Total | | $274,922.99 |

SCHEDULE V

## Equipment

*June 30, 1950*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| New York City: | | |
| Church Extension office | $ 1,980.00 | |
| Executive offices | 2,900.00 | |
| Bookkeeping machine and supplies | 4,097.93 | $ 8,977.93 |
| Puerto Rico field | | 11,700.00 |
| Virgin Islands field | | 3,814.00 |
| Konnarock Medical Center | | 3,650.00 |
| Chicago office | | 1,445.00 |
| Iron Mountain School | | 600.00 |
| Konnarock Training School | | 350.00 |
| Merrick office | | 185.00 |
| Rocky Boy Mission | | 150.00 |
| Lutheran Radio Pictures, Inc. | | 80.00 |
| Glenside office | | 40.00 |
| Cheltenham office | | 20.00 |
| Sitka, Alaska, parsonage | | 20.00 |
| Total | | $ 31,031.93 |

SCHEDULE VI

## Designated and Special Fund Principal Balances

*June 30, 1950*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Designated funds: | | |
| West Indies Mission Board Funds | $ 14,908.69 | |
| Board Missionaries Expense Fund | 32,335.85 | |
| Special Linguistic Work | 8,142.01 | |
| Special English Work | 16,644.52 | |
| Southern Mountain Work | 3,851.05 | |
| Indian Work | 2,854.27 | |
| Negro Work | 946.40 | |
| Relief of Missionaries | 2,920.00 | |
| W.M.S. Japanese Work | 8,118.40 | |
| Miscellaneous | 1,353.94 | $ 92,075.13 |
| Interest on Church Extension Loan Funds | | 834.59 |
| Architectural Portfolio and Allied Services | | 2,917.26 |
| Reserve for Hurricane and Fire Insurance | | 34,227.00 |
| Missionary Emergency Loan Fund | | 10,390.00 |
| Church Buildings in West Indies Fund | | 7,213.92 |
| Virgin Islands Pastors' Fund | | 12,908.10 |
| Work in Cuba Fund | | 13,666.00 |
| Nellie S. Anderson Fund | | 4,789.50 |
| Wm. A. Schaefer Fund | | 5,150.00 |
| Wilkes-Barre Memorial Fund | | 2,163.00 |
| Reserve for security losses | | 27,686.17 |
| Total designated and special funds | | $214,020.67 |

## Status of Board Loans to Churches

*June 30, 1950*

| SYNOD | Number of Churches | Total Amount of Loans | Interest and Amortization received when due | Amortization received when due (No interest charged by agreement) | Interest only received when due (No amortization currently due by agreement) | No interest or amortization due at this time (By agreement) | Property held subject to agreement of sale | Past due Loans |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| California | 33 | $ 576,807.50 | $ 223,976.25 | $ 72,743.75 | $ 197,087.50 | $ 59,000.00 | $ 24,000.00 | .... |
| Canada | 12 | 96,236.93 | 24,711.93 | 39,025.00 | 26,500.00 | 6,000.00 | .... | .... |
| Central Pennsylvania | 20 | 228,710.43 | 92,510.43 | 35,150.00 | 80,000.00 | 6,700.00 | 14,350.00 | .... |
| Florida | 7 | 63,416.00 | 4,910.00 | 11,356.00 | 46,400.00 | 750.00 | .... | .... |
| Georgia-Alabama | 7 | 109,087.50 | 36,237.50 | 5,500.00 | 18,250.00 | 49,100.00 | .... | .... |
| Icelandic | 3 | 3,845.00 | 3,575.00 | 270.00 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| Illinois | 17 | 265,668.75 | 147,518.75 | 16,850.00 | 68,300.00 | 24,000.00 | 9,000.00 | .... |
| Indiana | 6 | 91,025.00 | 39,125.00 | 3,900.00 | 18,000.00 | 25,000.00 | 5,000.00 | .... |
| Iowa | 4 | 63,925.00 | 12,925.00 | 7,000.00 | .... | 44,000.00 | .... | .... |
| Kansas | 4 | 98,051.25 | 24,356.25 | 17,995.00 | 24,000.00 | 4,000.00 | 27,700.00 | .... |
| Kentucky-Tennessee | 6 | 50,082.50 | 24,262.50 | 6,020.00 | 19,800.00 | .... | .... | .... |
| Maryland | 10 | 180,600.00 | 21,200.00 | 40,800.00 | 73,000.00 | 27,000.00 | 18,600.00 | .... |
| Michigan | 9 | 131,400.00 | 18,787.50 | 28,212.50 | 56,000.00 | 28,400.00 | .... | .... |
| Midwest | 3 | 12,550.00 | 1,350.00 | .... | .... | 11,200.00 | .... | .... |
| Mississippi | 2 | 48,500.00 | .... | .... | 25,000.00 | 23,500.00 | .... | .... |
| Nebraska | 3 | 8,450.00 | 6,600.00 | 1,850.00 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| New York | 45 | 403,056.40 | 155,308.90 | 84,160.00 | 85,850.00 | 62,250.00 | 15,487.50 | .... |
| North Carolina | 4 | 14,592.50 | 3,642.50 | 1,700.00 | .... | 9,250.00 | .... | .... |
| Northwest | 29 | 367,043.28 | 63,637.03 | 41,216.25 | 118,750.00 | 143,440.00 | .... | .... |
| Ohio | 17 | 153,077.09 | 72,492.09 | 19,035.00 | 12,350.00 | 49,200.00 | .... | .... |
| Pacific | 20 | 207,293.13 | 52,992.03 | 31,529.10 | 62,000.00 | 50,872.00 | 1,000.00 | 8,900.00 |
| Pennsylvania Ministerium | 19 | 164,313.75 | 41,913.75 | 59,250.00 | 19,000.00 | 44,150.00 | .... | .... |
| Pittsburgh | 20 | 228,837.50 | 94,612.50 | 16,775.00 | 74,200.00 | 10,000.00 | 33,250.00 | .... |
| Rocky Mountain | 5 | 85,787.50 | 12,137.50 | 20,750.00 | .... | 52,900.00 | .... | .... |
| South Carolina | 8 | 75,243.75 | 25,531.25 | 10,212.50 | 12,000.00 | 27,500.00 | .... | .... |
| Texas | 7 | 109,900.00 | 52,450.00 | 3,000.00 | 19,000.00 | 35,450.00 | .... | .... |
| Virginia | 4 | 49,843.75 | 2,231.25 | 6,612.50 | 33,000.00 | 8,000.00 | .... | .... |

| | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Wartburg | 6 | 44,715.00 | 8,300.00 | 15,415.00 | 18,500.00 | 2,500.00 | .... | .... |
| Western Canada | 12 | 31,231.75 | 16,215.00 | 14,075.00 | .... | 770.00 | .... | 171.75 |
| Total | 342 | $ 3,963,291.26 | $ 1,283,509.91 | $610.402.60 | $ 1,106,987.50 | $804,932.00 | $148,387.50 | $ 9,071.75 |

| | |
|---|---|
| Made by the following Funds: | |
| Church Extension Loan Fund | $ 3,830,212.51 |
| Trust Funds | 133,078.75 |
| Total as above | $ 3,963,291.26 |

## Agency Account

## Status of Loans to Churches

SCHEDULE VIII

*June 30, 1950*

| SYNOD | Number of Churches | Total Amount of Loans | Interest and Amortization received when due | Amortization received when due (No interest charged by agreement) | Interest only received when due (No amortization currently due by agreement | No interest or amortization due at this time (By agreement) | Property held subject to agreement of sale | Past due Loans |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| California | 13 | $ 57,641.00 | $ 30,853.50 | $ 14,737.50 | $ 5,000.00 | $ 7,050.00 | .... | .... |
| Canada | 7 | 15,758.75 | 4,508.75 | 1,900.00 | .... | 9,350.00 | .... | .... |
| Central Pennsylvania | 6 | 16,743.75 | 16,743.75 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| Florida | 3 | 12,706.25 | 4,331.25 | 6,875.00 | .... | 1,500.00 | .... | .... |
| Georgia-Alabama | 3 | 26,050.00 | 4,300.00 | .... | 6,000.00 | 15,750.00 | .... | .... |
| Illinois | 11 | 48,020.00 | 22,562.50 | 6,757.50 | 3,500.00 | 5,000.00 | .... | $ 10,200.00 |
| Indiana | 2 | 1,950.00 | 1,950.00 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| Kansas | 2 | 7,000.00 | .... | .... | .... | 7,000.00 | .... | .... |
| Kentucky-Tennessee | 4 | 15,850.00 | 11,850.00 | 4,000.00 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| Maryland | 2 | 14,625.00 | 9,125.00 | .... | .... | 5,500.00 | .... | .... |
| Michigan | 3 | 9,925.00 | 9,925.00 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| Mississippi | 1 | 4,000.00 | .... | .... | .... | 4,000.00 | .... | .... |
| Nebraska | 1 | 3,625.00 | 3,625.00 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| New York | 6 | 31,062.50 | 10,362.50 | 4,500.00 | 9,500.00 | 6,700.00 | .... | .... |
| North Carolina | 1 | 225.00 | 225.00 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |

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| Northwest | 9 | 61,934.15 | 38,834.15 | 14,000.00 | 5,500.00 | .... | $ 3,600.00 | .... |
| Ohio | 3 | 13,800.00 | 1,350.00 | 12,450.00 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| Pacific | 11 | 44,527.25 | 15,707.25 | 24,820.00 | 4,000.00 | .... | .... | .... |
| Pennsylvania Ministerium | 2 | 12,000.00 | .... | .... | .... | 12,000.00 | .... | .... |
| Pittsburgh | 4 | 16,800.00 | 6,700.00 | 10,100.00 | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| Rocky Mountain | 5 | 15,579.07 | 3,779.07 | 300.00 | 2,500.00 | 9,000.00 | .... | .... |
| South Carolina | 2 | 1,825.00 | 1,825.00 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| Texas | 2 | 6,112.50 | 1,012.50 | 2,100.00 | .... | 3,000.00 | .... | .... |
| Virginia | 3 | 11,531.25 | 10,531.25 | .... | .... | 1,000.00 | .... | .... |
| Wartburg | 1 | 4,750.00 | 4,750.00 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| Western Canada | 9 | 13,147.57 | 5,690.00 | 6,457.57 | .... | 1,000.00 | .... | .... |
| Total | 116 | $ 467,189.04 | $ 220,541.47 | $108,997.57 | $ 36,000.00 | $ 87,850.00 | $ 3,600.00 | $ 10,200.00 |

Made by the following Funds:

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| Women's Missionary Society of the U.L.C.A. | $ 285,665.14 |
| First Mortgage Loan Fund | 92,988.90 |
| Parsonage Purchase Loan Fund | 73,640.00 |
| Women's Missionary Society—Golden Jubilee Fund | 6,307.50 |
| Lutheran Finance Foundation | 3,650.00 |
| Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Brooklyn, N. Y. | 4,937.50 |
| Total as above | $ 467,189.04 |

## Accountant's Certificate

The Board of American Missions
New York, New York

We have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of The Board of American Missions of The United Lutheran Church in America for the years ended June 30, 1950 and June 30, 1949. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying balance sheets and statements of cash receipts and disbursements present fairly the financial position of the Board as at June 30, 1950 and June 30, 1949, and the results of its operations for the years then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding biennium.

Tait, Weller & Baker,
*Certified Public Accountants*

New York, New York
July 28, 1950

The report was presented under the direction of the president of the Board, the Rev. William C. Schaeffer. On display during the presentation was a book of heroic size, each page of which suggested a department of the Board's work. The theme of the presentation, "The Church Must be Planted," was included on the cover of the book and pamphlet size facsimiles of the book were distributed to the convention.

Dr. Schaeffer introduced Executive Secretary R. H. Gerberding, who in turn presented Dr. James C. Kinard who acted as master of ceremonies during the presentation of the work of the Board's several departments by its secretaries. Before introducing Secretary Karl S. Henry, Dr. Kinard, referring to the brilliantly lighted display book said that it was the Board's hope that this book opened with expectation would be closed with profit and delight.

Dr. Kinard introduced Secretaries Karl S. Henry, Arthur M. Knudsen, Paul A. Kirsch, William G. Arbaugh, Elwood L. Bowman, each of whom described the work of his department. In the course of his remarks, Secretary William G. Arbaugh introduced the Rev. Eduardo Roig of San Juan, Puerto Rico, president of the Puerto Rico Conference, who described the encouraging home mission developments in the West Indies.

Dr. Kinard introduced the Rev. Charles B. Foelsch, chairman of the Board's Finance Committee, who commented on the Board's financial needs, its appreciation of the Church's financial investment in home missions, and assured the convention of the rapid channeling of the contributions of the congregations to the missions supported by the ULCA through the Board.

Dr. Foelsch paid hearty tribute to the three decades of service which Comptroller Buelah M. Weiser has given the Board's work and presented Miss Weiser to the convention. The delegates expressed their gratitude through vigorous applause.

Dr. Foelsch also presented Board treasurer, S. Frederick Tellen, to the Convention and remarked the high esteem and affection borne Mr. Telleen by the Church.

Dr. Schaeffer concluded the report by sharing the good news that the Board had been able to establish a new mission each week for the first six months of 1950, and that the states of Nevada and Idaho had been entered by the ULCA for the first time. Dr. Schaeffer expressed the hope that before the end of 1950 a mission would be established in the state of Louisiana. When that is accomplished, the Church will have missions in all states of the U.S.A. except four in New England. Dr. Schaeffer stated that in a period when the Board had invested $475,000 in its missions those same missions contributed a total of $672,000 to the benevolent causes of the Church.

Executive Secretary Gerberding paid tribute to the home missionaries serving with the Board and expressed his confidence that they, the Board and the staff could be used of the Lord "to do abundantly far above all that we ask or think."

Dr. Gerberding moved the adoption of the report of the auditors (p. 688).

The report was adopted.

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The president called for the report of the Board of Deaconess Work.

The report was presented by the Rev. Harry F. Baughman, president.

## THE REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DEACONESS WORK

*(For action, see pp. 722, 723, 919, 920, 1056, 1057 of these Minutes)*

Accepting its prescribed fields of obligation and opportunity, the Board of Deaconess Work has operated during the past biennium under the program given to it by the Church. The 1948 convention of the Church brought to a focus the results of studies which had been made over a period of years. It ratified the necessary changes in the Board's constitution to effect a mutually responsible relationship between the Philadelphia Motherhouse and the United Lutheran Church. It adopted a definitive statement on the fields of opportunity, obligation and administration of the Board of Deaconess Work, and committed to the Board the tasks thus outlined and defined. Upon its stewardship of this program the Board now presents its report.

### The Field of Obligation

The Board of Deaconess Work is under obligation to maintain and conduct the Baltimore Motherhouse, an institution owned and operated by this Board as an agency of the United Lutheran Church. It also sustains a limited organic relationship with the Philadelphia Motherhouse in all matters affecting the diaconate (see Minutes 1948, page 629). Under the program approved at the last convention of the Church, the Board of Deaconess Work through its two Boards of Management constituted by agreement of the Church (see Minutes 1948, pages 629-630) has provided and supervised the training of women workers both deaconess and lay.

The Philadelphia Motherhouse, which has special facilities and contacts in the area of Social Service, is used for the training of women who plan to enter this and related fields. The Baltimore Motherhouse, whose faculty and curriculum are adapted to training for parish work, is used for the preparation of those who look forward to this field of service. Candidates for the diaconate are carefully selected and are guided into the training school suited to their particular abilities and purposes.

Effort has been made to maintain a high educational standard in both schools. Library facilities are being expanded. Attention has been given to the building up of the libraries to meet the standards of accrediting agencies. A better balance in favor of full-time instructors as over against part-time staff is gradually being achieved.

The Board of Deaconess Work has received reports from the Boards of Management of the two Motherhouses and Schools concerning all vital projects, activities, and accomplishments of the institutions. It has exercised control in the allocation and use of funds and has maintained the physical properties committed to its care.

### The Field of Opportunity

The Church has defined the field of opportunity of this Board in two categories—that of recruitment and that of education and placement. The two are closely interrelated. Progress in recruitment can be made only if the educational standards and facilities are adequately established and maintained. The effectiveness of the Deaconess Program is dependent upon the quality of training which the candidates receive. To meet the responsibilities of leadership in the various areas of the Church's work in which women are called to serve, they must receive a training whose level is as high as that of other comparable workers.

In its work of promotion and recruitment the Board has had the capable and energetic service of Sister Mildred Winter who has untiringly presented the cause and the call of the diaconate throughout the Church. By personal visitation to synods, conferences, summer schools, conventions, and congregations as well as by the distribution of literature she has sought to awaken on the part of the young womanhood of the Church an interest in, and response to, the need for full-time workers. How the Church has responded to the call thus presented is indicated by a comparison of the number of newly enrolled deaconess students since the present program was begun:

1943— 6
1944— 4
1945— 3
1946—16
1947—10
1948— 9
1949—10
1950—17

The number approved as deaconess students in 1950 will exceed that of the peak year, 1946. The total number of deaconess students in the two schools has advanced from 15 in 1943 to 40 in 1948. In 1949 it declined to 38. In 1950 it rose to 46.

In addition to the 46 enrolled for 1950, 21 young women have been consecrated and have entered the service of the Church since 1946.

### Fields of Service of Sisters Consecrated in the Biennium

Sister Betty Amstutz, Fort Wayne, Indiana, graduate student in Bryn Mawr School of Social Work, serving part time at the Lutheran Settlement House, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Sister Mary Jane Jessen, Camas, Washington, parish deaconess at University Church, Seattle, Washington; Sister Edna McVicker, Bedford, Pennsylvania, parish deaconess at St. Matthew's Church, Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania; Sister Florence Weicker, Kitchener, Ontario, Canada, parish deaconess at St. Matthew's Church, Kitchener; Sister Bertha Zellmann, Hartford, Connecticut, parish deaconess at Redeemer Church, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Sister Catharine Stirewalt, Columbia, South Carolina, instructor Baltimore Deaconess School.

*In the 5 year period 1945-50*

12 Consecrated Sisters have died
10 Consecrated Sisters withdrew (8 for marriage)
—
22 recessions

30 deaconess students entered and have remained in the program
21 others have been consecrated and entered full-time service
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51 total recruitments
51 total remaining in program
22 loss among consecrated deaconesses
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29 gain in 5 years within the diaconate

The goal of a "deaconess student from every Synod" has not been realized. These synods are on the honor roll, having sent candidates for the diaconate:

1—California
4—Canada
7—Central Penn
1—Georgia-Alabama
3—Indiana
1—Iowa
1—Maryland
9—Ministerium of Pennsylvania
2—Nebraska
1—New Jersey
4—New York
3—Northwest
1—Nova Scotia
2—Ohio
1—Pacific
4—Pittsburgh
2—South Carolina
2—Texas
1—Virginia
1—Virgin Islands
1—Western Canada

Calls for the services of deaconesses are far more numerous than for the lay workers. Therefore greater emphasis in recruitment is placed upon this type of service, but the deaconess schools also enroll, train and send into the service of the Church full-time workers who are not included in the conventional diaconate.

An analysis of the lay worker group of the Baltimore Training School for the years 1942-50 shows these interesting statistics:

> Of the 63 enrolled, 24 are now serving the Church in various fields, 21 as parish workers or church secretaries, and 3 as missionaries, 1 each under the following Boards: Board of Foreign Missions, Liberia; Board of American Missions, Cambria, Virginia; Parish and Church School Board, western Canada. Altogether the 24 women have served a total of 60 years up to the present time.
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> Six are married to pastors.
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> Eight are completing their work toward a bachelor's degree.
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> Nine are students in the Deaconess School.

Although progress in recruitment has been made, and there is promise of continued growth, it still remains true that "the harvest is plenteous but the laborers are few." The present pace of response must be accelerated if the needs of the Church are to be met and if the Church is to provide an adequatae and challenging program to its womanhood.

The Board of Deaconess Work is cognizant of the need of making a more effective appeal to young women and accordingly has moved in two vital areas to effect such changes as may contribute to this result.

A special committee has launched far reaching studies of the problems involved in full-time service for women in the Church.

## Report of the Committee on the Study and Preparation of a Comprehensive Program for the Expansion of the Diaconate

In connection with the suggestions made by this committee, results have been obtained from a questionnaire sent out to 190 leaders in the United Lutheran Church. An analysis of answers to the questionnaire is presented here for information.

Out of 190 questionnaires sent out early in May 1950 to leaders (both men and women) in the United Lutheran Church, a total of 97 replies were received up to the middle of June. The following facts appear from a careful reading and analysis of the replies:

Question 1 (Economic setup of the diaconate). Eighteen advocate no change in the present system; 36 favor the present system with modifications looking toward (*a*) greater personal independence for the individual deaconesses or (*b*) more generous stipends, allowances, etc. Thus a clear majority (54 out of 97) do not desire a radical alteration of the traditional co-operative plan. Of the remaining 43 responses, 3 were undecided, 4 gave no reply on the specific question, and 1 advocated "change" but gave no indication of approving a salary plan. The remaining 35 favored a salary plan for deaconesses. Of these, 19 advocated a straight salary arrangement analogous to that for pastors (with a pension plan presumably to follow), while 9 favored a standarized plan such as our women missionaries on the foreign field have at present. Five others expressed a willingness to approve either the standardized plan or a straight salary plan. Two others asked for a combination of the co-operative and salary plans in which the deaconess on a salary would make contributions to the Motherhouse for disability and retirement maintenance. Several suggested that on this whole question "the deaconesses themselves should decide."

Question 2 (Garb). Forty-five believe that greater liberty should be exercised than at present by deaconesses in the nonuse of the garb as is the case with many pastors who make little or no use of the clerical garb. Thirty-eight favored the present practice of consistently wearing the garb when on duty; 5 said, "Let the deaconesses themselves decide"; 1 expressed disapproval of the garb under all circumstances. One suggested a special garb for summer use; another, an inconspicuous but uniform "off-duty" dress. A number expressed the opinion that further "modernization" of the present garb is desirable. Among those who advocate the continuation of present use and practice there was considerable appreciation of the value of the garb, not only for its protection of the wearer, but for its fitness, its churchliness, its ready "introduction" of the deaconess to those whom she encounters. One said, "The garb adds prestige to the deaconess and to the church which she represents." In general the spirit of the replies was one of ready consideration for what the deaconess herself would judge to be best.

Question 3 (Expanded fellowship). There is a universal approval of what has been accomplished through annual meetings of the Council of Women. It is urged that these be continued and that sectional or other meetings and conferences of women engaged in church work be encouraged as need or demand may arise. Among the replies were suggestions regarding the wearing of a deaconess fellowship pin, the listing of women in full-time service in synodical minutes and the U.L.C.A. *Year Book,* and services of commissioning and of installation as methods by which further recognition might be given to laywomen in church vocations.

Question 4a (Specialized schools for religious and professional training). Some think that there is already too much specialization and too long a period of training required for women workers. Others think that until very recently there has not been enough. The majority inclines to accepting the idea of a specialized school or schools. Those who reject the specialized school ask in most cases that the theological seminary take its place in preparing women workers. Forty favor some training in a seminary (one year or longer); 5 undecided; 3 no reply; 48 not in favor. One asked for a specialized school in connection with a theological seminary, sharing the faculty and having the same location. The example of the Southern Presbyterians plan at Richmond, Virginia, was cited for this idea. Some of the "noes" were very decided and came from influential pastors and educators. The fear was expressed by a number that too many marriages would result from making the seminaries to any extent co-educational. Some who favored the seminary training stipulated that only one or two, or a few selected seminaries be used for the program, preferably at a distance from our present motherhouse schools. Some who opposed seminary training conceded that seminary library facilities might be shared and seminary instructors might be made available off campus for training deaconesses and lay workers.

Question 4b (Schools for institutional and social workers). There were few suggestions. The most emphatic one was that a theological and religious educational foundation under church auspices is needed in the training of the church worker in the institutional and social fields. A number stressed the importance of clinical training. Some asked whether more use might be made of certain selected church colleges for training in this field. Others reminded us that state requirements for the education of the professional social worker should be met by the church.

Question 5 (What are the chief hindrances in the way of potential candidates for the diaconate?) Hindrances mentioned were "worldliness or secular-mindedness in the modern Christian home and congregation," the indifference of pastors, the tendency of pastors to concentrate on recruiting men for the ministry, leaving the whole matter of women's service unmentioned and neglected; also, on the part of possible candidates, the natural desire for marriage having to be postponed or given up, the opposition of parents to deaconess service, the dependence of elderly parents upon their daughters; a number of persons pointed out the general lack of information and understanding throughout the Church concerning the whole subject of women's service. Some accused the Lutheran Church of minimizing women's work throughout its history.

Question 6 (A permanent Personnel Commission in the U.L.C.A.). A fairly large number saw good possibilities in such a commission where exchange and clearance regarding candidates might go on. Some advocated a distinct separation, however, between such an office and the recruiting and counseling activities. Some thought the proposed Personnel Commission should center in the Board of Education. A few urged the continuation of recruiting by the separate boards for their own causes.

Question 7 (Do you consider the diaconate operating as at present outmoded, superfluous, useful and essential to the whole work of the Church?) The answers were almost unanimous that the diaconate as we have it is already exceedingly useful and in the main, essential to the whole work of the Church. A good many regard it, however, as in part outmoded and in need of further modernization. This criticism applies in part to the garb, in part to the "too European" or "old-world" atmosphere and tradition of the diaconate.

Among the criticisms which came in under one or other of the questions was repeatedly sounded the thought that too many deaconesses regard their consecration as setting them apart in a superior class or order, and that they lack humanness, the human touch, etc.; one writer complained of the "bossiness" of some parish and institutional deaconesses. In general the promptness and completeness of the replies were gratifying.

In the first months of the committee's work, it has concentrated its attention upon the question of commissioning laywomen workers and presents herewith the following report on this subject:

The practice of commissioning full-time women workers other than deaconesses has existed for some time in the United Lutheran Church. Women have been commissioned from time to time by boards of the Church, such as the Parish and Church School Board, the Board of Foreign Missions, and the Board of Deaconess Work. Other women have been commissioned by at least one of the individual synods of the Church. The question of continuing, extending, and regularizing this practice, together with the setting up of suitable standards, both personal and academic, for commissioned workers, has been referred to the Board of Deaconess Work for study and recommendation "in co-operation with the Board of Education and in consultation with such other Boards of the Church under whom women are serving" (see Minutes of the Convention of 1944, United Lutheran Church in America, pages 412, 420).

In the establishing of standards this Board has had the co-operation of the Executive Board of the Church and the Board of Education. The following recommendations on the commissioning and installation of women in full-time church vocations are now presented to the Board of Deaconess Work, and through it to the United Lutheran Church, for adoption together with a recommendation on the installation of deaconesses.

It is understood that women who qualify under the standards adopted will apply for commissioning on their own initiative. Not all women employed in the present or in the future by synods, congregations, institutions, or agencies within the United Lutheran Church will be able at once to attain the accepted standards; but it is earnestly hoped that the existence of these standards, together with the practice of commissioning as a means of recognition by the whole Church, will encourage an ever increasing proportion of women in full-time church vocations to meet the standards and to apply for commissioning.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

1. We recommend:

*a*) that women in full-time church vocations in The United Lutheran Church in America meeting the standards jointly adopted by the Board of Education and the Board of Deaconess Work be eligible for commissioning and that any woman so commissioned be given the status of "Commissioned Worker of The United Lutheran Church in America."

*b*) that after December 31, 1955 the standards adopted by these two Boards shall be required of all applicants for commissioning according to the type of work in which each applicant is engaged.

*c*) that prior to December 31, 1955 women engaged in full-time work in the United Lutheran Church, whose personal qualifications and service are of superior character but who have not met these standards, may apply for commissioning and that their commissioning may be authorized by a personnel committee to be composed of two representatives from each of these three Boards, after conference with the applicants and a study of their records.

2. We recommend that until the Biennial Convention of 1956 the act of commissioning of laywomen workers in The United Lutheran Church in America be performed under the auspices of a Commissioning Agency, to be appointed by the Executive Board of the Church.

3. We recommend:

*a*) that the Executive Board of the Church be authorized to appoint a Commission to study policies and practices of the commissioning of laywomen workers and to report through the Executive Board to the 1956 Convention of the Church.

*b*) that this Commission include representatives of the various boards, agencies and synods of the Church and representatives of women in church vocations.

4. We recommend that installation of deaconesses and commissioned church workers called to fields of service that are synodically related be under the auspices of the synods concerned.

5. We recommend that deaconesses and commissioned church workers serving in fields that are synodically related be listed in the published minutes of the synod and in its preconvention bulletin; and that all commissioned church workers in the United Lutheran Church be listed in the *Year Book* of the Church.

The Committee on the Study and Preparation of a Comprehensive Program for the Expansion of the Diaconate wishes to inform the Church that the following policies have been adopted by the Board of Deaconess Work:

1. The Board has adopted as its policy

the current practice of the Motherhouses of encouraging deaconesses serving in parishes to become members of their respective parishes; and that a deaconess serving in an institution or agency be encouraged to hold her church membership in a congregation of the particular synod on whose territory she is serving.

2. The Board adopted as a policy, wherever practicable, the arranging of a consecration service for a deaconess in her home church.

3. As a guide to the thinking of our Church's membership on the subject of the diaconate, the Committee calls attention to the fact that already a considerable change has come about in recent years affecting the procedures by which deaconesses are being called and placed in various fields. The deaconess herself is free not only to accept or to decline calls on her own responsibility, but also to take the initiative in seeking a suitable field of service when a change becomes personally imperative or desirable.

### CONCLUDING STATEMENT

The Committee on the Study and Preparation of a Comprehensive Program for the Expansion of the Diaconate, which will be continued, began its work in the spring of 1950. It is actively gathering materials and making studies out of which further recommendations will doubtless come before the Board and the Church. The recommendations here offered represent a first stage in the work of the Committee.

This report was adopted by the Board of Deaconess Work on July 12 and its recommendations authorized to be presented to the convention of the Church.

The second area in which progress has been made is that of *Educational* Program. There are three educational patterns being followed:

1. A vocational training program with emphasis on supervised field experience for the noncollegiate student.

2. An accelerated seminar program for the graduate student.

3. The collegiate program.

The training schools have hitherto worked in co-operation with various colleges to fulfill the educational requirement of the Church for the diaconate. The school of the Philadelphia Motherhouse has maintained a relation with Muhlenberg College as an Extension Center. Other colleges—Susquehanna, Wagner, Midland, Thiel, Waterloo, Wittenberg, Gettysburg, Roanoke, and Texas Lutheran—have co-operated by recognizing the credits for work given in the deaconess training schools. The degree is given after two years' residence work in college, two years in the training school and a final year in the college. Seeking still further co-operation with the Board of Education in the matter of collegiate training and standards, the Board of Deaconess Work requested the Executive Board of the Church to call a meeting of representatives of the three Boards: The Executive Board, the Board of Education, and the Board of Deaconess Work to consult concerning present and future arangements in the matter of co-operation among the deaconess training schools and colleges. This conference called by the Executive Board's Committee on Boards and Committees resulted in a statement of policy and a proposed program which was submitted to each of the Boards concerned, and when approved by them will be presented to the Church.

### Executive Secretary

The developing work of the Board indicated the necessity of filling the post of Executive Secretary with a full-time worker. The office has existed but since the resignation of the Rev. William A. Wade, D.D., its duties have been cared for by various individuals of the Board and Staff. The choice of the Board for this important post was Sister Mildred Winter. The Board takes pride in presenting her to the Church as its new Executive Secretary. She assumed the duties of the office September 1.

### Field Secretary

To fill the office vacated through the choice of Sister Mildred Winter as the

Executive Secretary, the Board of Deaconess Work elected Sister Evelyn Houlroyd, who is now presented to the Church as the new Field Secretary of the Board of Deaconess Work.

### The Survey of the Diaconate in India

Two full years of service were given by Sister Edna Hill and Sister Margaret Fry to the Andhra Evangelical Lutheran Church under the direction of the Board of Foreign Missions for the purpose of exploring the possibilities of establishing an indigenous diaconate.

The special study, begun in December 1947, created so much interest that by July 1949 plans had been formulated by the Church in India for the establishment of a diaconate under the direction and leadership of Indian women. Temporary provision had been made for a deaconess home in the general work compound in Repalle.

As the plans evolved, it seemed advisable to the Board of Foreign Missions to request the two deaconesses to return to the United States that they might report the results of their study to the special committee of that Board and avail themselves of the information derived from the study in progress by the Board of Deaconess Work on the entire program for the training of women in full-time service in the Church.

On March 23 and 24, 1950, Sister Edna Hill and Sister Margaret Fry met with this committee.

At the April 26, 1950 meeting of the Board of Deaconess Work two plans were submitted for the diaconate in India. The action taken at this meeting relative to a pattern for the diaconate was placed in the hands of a special committee to be discussed with a similar committee of the Board of Foreign Missions when called.

At the June 29, 1950 meeting of the Board of Deaconess Work a communication from the Board of Foreign Missions was received that action on the matter of the Diaconate in India will be delayed until after they have received the report of the meeting of the July 1950 Andhra Evangelical Lutheran Church Executive Council.

The deaconesses completed their assignment with the Board of Foreign Missions on September 1, 1950.

The report from India that several women now in full-time service of the Church, have expressed their desire to serve their Church through the diaconate is most encouraging and further reports relative to a definite decision on the pattern of the diaconate are eagerly anticipated.

### Items of Interest and Progress

1. *This is a centennial year.* One hundred years of continuous service has been rendered by the deaconesses of the Lutheran Church in America. On May 28, 1850 twenty-year-old Louisa Marthens was consecrated as the first American deaconess. Under Dr. Passavant she made possible the establishment of several institutions, among them the first Lutheran orphanage in America (now Zelienople, Pennsylvania). Fifty years of her life were given to the ministry of mercy. The chain which she began has been unbroken. There are now 155 consecrated deaconesses serving the Church. Her spiritual descendants of 1950 in the U.L.C.A. will be consecrated at this convention. They are:

Sister Bertha Becker of St. James Lutheran Church, New Dundee, Ontario, Canada, Canada Synod, Rev. Delton Glebe, pastor. Graduated Waterloo College, receiving A.B. degree from University of Western Ontario June 1950. Trained for parish work, Baltimore Deaconess School. Called to serve on the territory of the Synod of Western Canada under the Board of American Missions.

Sister Evelyn Houlroyd of Lutheran Church of our Savior, Trenton, New Jersey, New Jersey Synod, Rev. Frederick Fairclough, pastor. Received B.S. degree from Trenton State Teachers College 1941, Master's in Education from Temple University 1946, religious training in the Philadelphia Deaconess School. Graduate study in field of religion at Temple University and Mt. Airy Theological Seminary. Called as Field Secretary of the Board of Deaconess Work.

Sister Marian L. Maurer, Grace Lutheran Church, Shamokin, Pennsylvania, Ministerium of Pennsylvania, Rev. Charles W. Harkins, pastor. Received degree with major in Sacred Music from Capital University, Columbus, Ohio, June 1950. Trained for parish work at the Baltimore Deaconess School. Called to serve as director of youth choirs and parish deaconess at Luther Memorial Church, Madison, Wisconsin.

Sister Esther Mae Shepperson, Trinity Lutheran Church, Danville, Pennsylvania, Ministerium of Pennsylvania, Rev. Bernard W. Krapf, pastor. Received A.B. degree from Muhlenberg College 1949, religious training in Philadelphia Deaconess School, parish work training in Baltimore Deaconess School, one year of parish experience in St. Mark's, Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

*2. A Hospital in Western Canada*

An urgent appeal made four years ago by a hospital board of Lutheran men in a strong Lutheran community of 6,000 people, was finally answered by two deaconesses who return to their own synod. Sister Anna Brandt of Hay Lake, Alberta, and Sister Ruth Poetzsch of Edenwold, Saskatchewan, took over the administration of the Langenburg Union Hospital in Langenburg, Saskatchewan on July 1, 1950.

Lutherans of the Augustana, Norwegian Free Church, Missouri, and U.L.C.A. churches are represented on the board.

The present hospital, formerly the community hall, will be abandoned in the fall for a new 35 bed hospital now under construction.

*3. A Passavant Institution*

Since July 1, 1949 deaconesses have served in the Passavant Memorial Homes, Rochester, Pennsylvania, Sister Rena Keiper as matron and Sister Edna Bradley as nurse. This home, founded in memory of William Alfred Passavant in 1895, provides a home for more than 100 epileptics.

*4. Ecclesiastical Arts*

Since February 1, 1949 Sister Grace Jones has been on the staff in the Ecclesiastical Arts Department of the Lutheran Publication House, responsible for the hand embroidering of paraments and vestments.

*5. A Synodical Deaconess*

Sister Bertha Becker, a Canadian parish deaconess, begins a new service this fall in western Canada, under the Board of American Missions.

*6. Rural Parish Work*

Miss Ruth Zartman, a lay parish worker, graduate of one of the Deaconess Schools, is pioneering in rural parish work at Cambria, Virginia, under the auspices of the Board of American Missions.

*7. An Educational Secretary*

Miss Elfriede Hartig of Canada, a recent graduate of one of the Deaconess Schools is a staff member of the Parish and Church School Board, serving in eastern Canada and Nova Scotia.

*8. A Foreign Missionary*

Miss Maebelle Hosterman, after receiving religious training in one of the Deaconess Schools, was commissioned to serve as a nurse in Liberia under the Board of Foreign Missions.

### Acknowledgments

The Board of Deaconess Work recognizing God as the Source of all grace and enabling power renders heartfelt thanks to him for his mercy and guidance. The thanks and appreciation of the Board are due: the President of the Church, the Rev. Dr. Franklin Clark Fry, whose counsel and inspiration have been invaluable; to the officers of the Church and its several committees; to the Executive Board of the Church and the Board of Education for splendid service in the planning of the program and policies; to the organizations of the Church, especially to the Women's Missionary Society and the Children of the Church, which have made liberal contributions to its schools; to the representatives of the Women's Missionary Society, Mrs. F. P. Reiter and Mrs. Roy Winters, whose presence at the meetings of the Board have been most helpful; and to the synods which have appointed committees on deaconess work and have given financial assistance to candidates for the diaconate.

## Organization

### OFFICERS

President, the Rev. Harry F. Baughman, D.D.; vice president, the Rev. G. Arthur Fry, D.D.; treasurer, Mr. Charles J. Hanzlik; recording secretary, Sister Martha Hansen, Sc.D.

### MEMBERS

Term Expiring 1950—the Rev. Harry F. Baughman, D.D.; Sister Anna Cressman; Miss Frances Dysinger; Charles J. Hanzlik, the Rev. Lewis P. Speaker, D.D.

Term Expiring 1952—the Rev. Wilson P. Ard, D.D.; the Rev. G. Arthur Fry, D.D.; Mrs. Edmund Funck; the Rev. Hugo W. Schroeder; Sister Pearle Lyerly.

Term Expiring 1954—the Rev. Alvin E. Bell, D.D.; the Rev. William H. Cooper; Dr. Henry G. Deininger; Mrs. Frank B. Herzel; the Rev. Henry E. Horn.

### ADVISORY MEMBERS

The Rev. Franklin Clark Fry, D.D., LL.D.; Mrs. Roy L. Winters, from the Executive Board of the Women's Missionary Society.

### STAFF

Executive Secretary, Sister Mildred Winter; Field Secretary, Sister Evelyn Houlroyd.

### BOARDS OF MANAGEMENT

*Philadelphia*

Dr. Henry G. Deininger, Miss Frances Dysinger, Sister Anna Cressman, A. B. Freeman, Sr., the Rev. William F. Herrmann, D.D., and Mrs. Edmund Funck.

*Baltimore*

The Rev. Harry F. Baughman, D.D., Charles J. Hanzlik, the Rev. Hugo W. Schroeder, the Rev Paul H. Smith, the Rev. Henry E. Horn, and Paul I. Folkemer.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

(For action, see pp. 919, 920, 1057)

1. We recommend:

*a*) That women in full-time church vocations in The United Lutheran Church in America, meeting the standards jointly adopted by the Executive Board, the Board of Education, and the Board of Deaconess Work, be eligible for commissioning and that any woman so commissioned be given the status of "Commissioned Worker of The United Lutheran Church in America."

*b*) That after December 31, 1955 the standards adopted by these three Boards shall be required of all applicants for commissioning according to the type of work in which each applicant is engaged.

*c*) That prior to December 31, 1955 women engaged in full-time work in the United Lutheran Church, whose personal qualifications and service are of superior character but who have not met these standards, may apply for commissioning and that their commissioning may be authorized by a personnel committee to be composed of two representatives from each of these three Boards, after conference with the applicants and a study of their records.

2. We recommend that until the Biennial Convention of 1956 the act of commissioning of laywomen workers in The United Lutheran Church of America be performed under the auspices of a Commissioning Agency, to be appointed by the Executive Board of the Church.

3. We recommend:

*a*) That the Executive Board of the Church be authorized to appoint a Commission to study policies and practices of the commissioning of laywomen workers and to report through the Executive Board to the 1956 convention of the Church.

*b*) That this Commission include representatives of the various boards, agencies, and synods of the Church and representatives of women in church vocations.

4. We recommend that installation of deaconesses and commissioned church workers called to fields of service that are synodically related be under the aus-

pices of the synods concerned.

5. We recommend that deaconesses and commissioned church workers serving in fields that are synodically related be listed in the published minutes of the synod and in its preconvention bulletin; and that all commissioned church workers in the United Lutheran Church be listed in the *Year Book* of the Church.

Respectfully submitted,
HARRY F. BAUGHMAN, *President*
MARTHA HANSEN, *Secretary*

## SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

(For action, see pp. 722, 723, 919, 920, 1057)

### Plan for Co-operation Among the Deaconess Training Schools and the Colleges

Recommended by the Conference of Representatives of the Executive Board, The Board of Deaconess Work and The Board of Education to their respective boards, and adopted by The Board of Deaconess Work and The Board of Education. For the action of The Executive Board see VI, B, iii, 5, (b), p. 222.

### The Plan

I. That the personal and educational standards for deaconesses and lay women church workers who desire to be commissioned be committed to the Board of Deaconess Work and the Board of Education. (Received as information. See p. 1057)

II. That adequate standards related to the following personal pre-requisites be established for all deaconesses and lay women workers who desire to be commissioned:

1. aptitude for chosen profession
2. personality
3. health
4. spiritual life

(Received as information. See p. 1057)

III. That the minimum training program for the following positions for women church workers should be:

1. *Directors of Religious Education*
   a. A bachelor's degree, preferably from a Lutheran college.
   b. Two years' professional training in a Lutheran school and one year of supervised clinical experience under the direction of the school giving the professional training.
2. *Teachers in Church-related Schools and Collgees*
   a. A bachelor's degree, preferably from a Lutheran college.
   b. Professional training.
   c. A total of 30 semester credit hours in the field of religion at a Lutheran school.
3. *Social Workers*
   a. A bachelor's degree, preferably from a Lutheran college.
   b. A total of 30 semester credit hours in the field of religion at a Lutheran school.
   c. The master's degree in social work or its recognized equivalent.
4. *Staff Personnel of Boards, Auxiliaries, and Agencies*
   a. A bachelor's degree, preferably from a Lutheran college.
   b. A total of 30 semester credit hours in the field of religion at a Lutheran school.
   c. Specific requirements of the employing agency.
5. *Parish Workers*
   a. Three years of a liberal arts college program, preferably at a Lutheran college.
   b. Two years of professional training, in a Lutheran school and one year of clinical experience under the direction of the school giving the professional training.[1]
6. *Nurses*
   a. Graduation from an accredited school of nursing.
   b. A total of 30 semester credit hours in the field of religion at a Lutheran school.
   c. At least one year of experience supervised by a Lutheran training school.[2]
7. *Institutional Workers, such as House-mothers, Matrons, Practical Nurses*

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[1] These two training periods should be co-ordinated so that the bachelor's degree may be obtained.

[2] It is understood that during the clinical experience the worker may be on a salary basis.

a. At least two years of study at a liberal arts college, preferably Lutheran.

b. Two years of professional and religious training in a Lutheran school, with a minimum of one year of clinical experience under the direction of the school giving the professional training.[2]

8. *Church Office Secretary*

a. High school graduation.

b. One year of business training and experience.

c. One year of religious studies at a Lutheran school.

d. Three years of satisfactory work under the direction of the school giving the religious training.[2] (For action, see pp. 920-1057)

IV. That the following curricula be recommended:

1. For those studying for a bachelor's degree, a major in one of the following fields: English, History, Sociology, Economics, Psychology, Science, Education or Music. For those preparing for any vocation in the field of religion at least a minor in Education is suggested.
2. For professional work in the field of religion, sixty semester hours in professional or graduate study including:
    - Bible
    - Christian Education
    - Sociology and Psychology
    - Theology
    - Worship
    - Art
    - Music
    - Church History
    - Principles and Practices of Church Administration
3. For professional teaching in church-related schools and in schools of higher education, a total of thirty semester hours including:
    - Bible
    - Theology
    - Worship
    - Church History
    - Christian Education
    - Principles and Practices of Church Administration
4. For missionary service, depending upon the profession, an adaptation of the above courses needed for specific fields. (For action, see p. 1057)

V. That in addition to the Seminaries whose curricula qualify them as professional schools on the graduate level, the Lutheran training schools at Baltimore and Philadelphia be recognized as professional schools on the undergraduate level for women church workers, the Baltimore school specializing in parish and church secretarial work, and the Philadelphia school specializing in health and welfare work. (Adopted, see p. 1057)

VI. That the Board of Education investigate the possibility of Lutheran Church colleges granting the bachelor's degree upon the completion of the professional studies. This would mean three consecutive years at college and two consecutive years at the professional school, with the degree being granted by the college. (Adopted, see p. 1057)

VII. That the Board of Education counsel with the colleges and seminaries regarding the above co-operative program. (Adopted, see p. 1057)

VIII. That after 1955 all women entering a full-time vocation in the Church and desiring to be commissioned or consecrated by the Church shall be required to meet the qualifications herewith recommended. (Received as information, see p. 1057)

IX. That wherever the personal qualifications and service of present full-time women church workers without the preparation recommended above, are of superior character, such persons may be recognized by the Church as qualified for commissioning. (Received as information, see p. 1057)

EXHIBIT "A"

## THE BOARD OF DEACONESS WORK AND THE LUTHERAN DEACONESS MOTHERHOUSE AND TRAINING SCHOOL OF BALTIMORE

### Balance Sheet

*June 30, 1950*

*Assets*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *General Fund:* | | |
| Cash in banks and on hand (Exhibit "C") | $ 29,351.14 | |
| Perpetual insurance deposits | 3,918.60 | |
| Total general fund assets | | $ 33,269.74 |
| *Consolidated Fund:* | | |
| Principal: | | |
| Investments—Schedule I | | |
| United States Government Bonds (Market or redemption value $151,679.21) | $154,232.81 | |
| Corporate Bonds (Market value $3,135.00) | 3,153.75 | |
| Stocks (Market value $51,706.25) | 49,512.58 | |
| Ground rents (Redemption value $8,400.00) | 9,335.09 | |
| Savings accounts | 35,220.05 | |
| Student loans receivable | 608.00 | |
| Total principal | $252,062.28 | |
| Income: | | |
| Cash in bank (Exhibit "F") | 912.08 | |
| Total consolidated fund assets | | 252,974.36 |

*Liabilities and Funds*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *General Fund:* | | | |
| Suspense account | | $ 1.00 | |
| Special funds | | 2,161.07 | |
| General fund: (Exhibit "H") | | | |
| Designated balances | $ 12,967.81 | | |
| Surplus | 18,139.86 | | |
| | | 31,107.67 | |
| Total general fund liabilities and surplus | | | $ 33,269.74 |
| *Consolidated Fund:* | | | |
| Principal: | | | |
| Cash in bank — overdraft (Exhibit "F") | $ 1,061.84 | | |
| Funds: Schedule III | 251,000.44 | | |
| Total principal | | $252,062.28 | |
| Income: | | | |
| Deaconess Library Fund — Income due Philadelphia Motherhouse | $ 127.70 | | |
| Unexpended balance | 686.35 | | |
| Harris Memorial Scholarship Fund | 98.03 | | |
| | | 912.08 | |
| Total consolidated fund and overdraft | | | 252,974.36 |

EXHIBIT "B"

## Balance Sheet

*June 30, 1949*

### *Assets*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *General Fund:* | | |
| Cash in banks and on hand (Exhibit "C" | $ 20,051.53 | |
| Perpetual insurance deposit | 3,276.00 | |
| Miscellaneous advances | 116.00 | |
| Total general fund assets | | $ 23,443.53 |
| *Cronhardt Memorial Fund:* | | |
| Principal cash (Exhibit "G") | $ 28.12 | |
| Investments: Schedule II | | |
| United States Government Bonds (Redemption value $68,460.00) | 70,000.00 | |
| Corporate Bonds (Market value $26,787.50) | 26,665.00 | |
| Preferred Stocks (Market value $19,901.25) | 18,800.13 | |
| Common Stocks (Market value $49,833.25) | 42,027.55 | |
| Total Cronhardt fund assets | | 157,520.80 |
| *Buildings and Equipment Fund:* | | |
| Real estate and equipment — Schedule IV | $321,071.15 | |
| Total buildings and equipment | | 321,071.15 |
| Total assets | | $764,836.05 |

See attached notes to the Balance Sheet

### *Liabilities and Funds*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *General Fund:* | | | |
| Deposits held for Philadelphia Motherhouse | $ 2,395.26 | | |
| Withholding taxes payable | 337.00 | | |
| Special funds | 725.00 | | |
| | | $ 3,457.26 | |
| General fund: (Exhibit "H") | | | |
| Designated balances | $ 8,000.00 | | |
| Surplus | 11,986.27 | | |
| | | 19,986.27 | |
| Total general fund liabilities and surplus | | | $ 23,443.53 |
| *Cronhardt Memorial Fund:* | | | |
| Principal (Exhibit "H") | | $157,520.80 | |
| | | | 157,520.80 |
| *Buildings and Equipment Fund:* | | | |
| Principal (Exhibit "H") | | $303,071.23 | |
| Reserve for depreciation (Funded — Schedule III, Consolidated fund) (Note) | | 17,999.92 | |
| Total buildings and equipment | | | 321,071.15 |
| Total liabilities and funds | | | $764,836.05 |

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|---|---|---|
| *Consolidated Fund:* | | |
| Principal: | | |
| Investments: Schedule I | | |
| United States Government Bonds (Market or redemption value $203,328.92) | $204,244.41 | |
| Common Stocks (Market value $21,160.00) | 22,339.58 | |
| Ground Rents (Redemption value $8,400.00) | 9,335.09 | |
| Student loans receivable | 608.00 | |
| Total principal assets | $236,527.08 | |
| Income: | | |
| Cash in bank (Exhibit "F") | 625.43 | |
| Total consolidated fund assets | | $237,152.51 |
| *Cronhardt Memorial Fund:* | | |
| Principal cash (Exhibit "G") | $ 586.17 | |
| Investments—Schedule II | | |
| United States Government Bonds (Redemption value $70,000.00) | 70,000.00 | |
| Corporate Bonds (Market value $26,372.50) | 26,142.50 | |
| Preferred stocks (Market value $20,087.88) | 18,800.13 | |
| Common Stocks (Market value $38,751.50) | 42,027.55 | |
| | | 157,556.35 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| *Consolidated Fund:* | | | |
| Principal: | | | |
| Cash in bank — overdraft (Exhibit "F") | $ 253.80 | | |
| Funds: Schedule III | 236,273.28 | | |
| Total principal | | $236,527.08 | |
| Income: | | | |
| Deaconess Library Fund: | | | |
| Income due Philadelphia Motherhouse | $ 78.32 | | |
| Unexpended balance | 506.29 | | |
| Harris Memorial Scholarship Fund | 40.82 | | |
| | | 625.43 | |
| Total consolidated fund liability and principal | | | 237,152.51 |
| *Cronhardt Memorial Fund:* | | | |
| Principal (Exhibit "H") | | $157,556.35 | |
| | | | 157,556.35 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Buildings and Equipment Fund:* | | | *Buildings and Equipment Fund:* | | |
| Real estate and equipment — Schedule IV | $321,071.15 | | Principal (Exhibit "H") | $305,230.39 | |
| | | 321,071.15 | Reserve for depreciation (Included in Schedule III, Consolidated Fund) (Note) | 15,840.76 | |
| | | | | | 321,071.15 |
| Total assets | | $739,223.54 | Total liabilities and funds | | $739,223.54 |

## Notes to Balance Sheets

Note—In addition to the assets set forth on the above balance sheets, the Board is the beneficiary of the following trust funds:

$15,220.90 held by the Western National Bank of York, York, Pennsylvania.

One-fourth interest in the William L. Birely Fund held by the Boston Safe Deposit and Trust Company.

Note—The Reserve for Depreciation has been funded and is included in the consolidated fund (Schedule III). Differences between the accumulated depreciation and the balance of the fund represents gains on sales or investment in which the fund participates.

EXHIBIT "C"

## Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements
## General Fund
*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | | | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Receipts:* | | | | | | |
| Operating receipts: | | | | | | |
| The United Lutheran Church in America: | | | | | | |
| Apportionment—Part I | $ 82,050.00 | | | $ 54,000.00 | | |
| Apportionment—Part II | 12,000.00 | | | 15,000.00 | | |
| Double apportionment | .... | | | 16,000.00 | | |
| | | $ 94,050.00 | | | $ 85,000.00 | |
| Women's Missionary Society of The United Lutheran Church in America | | 6,000.00 | | | 5,500.00 | |
| Deaconess' services | | 21,074.93 | | | 23,340.82 | |
| Deaconess' maintenance charges | | 1,183.25 | | | 1,350.75 | |
| Contributions and other specials | | 3,376.33 | | | 2,169.69 | |
| Synods | | 641.57 | | | 248.29 | |
| Investment income: | | | | | | |
| Transferred from other funds | $ 2,877.97 | | | $2,501.19 | | |
| Cronhardt Memorial Fund | 6,332.14 | | | 2,242.05 | | |
| | | 9,210.11 | | | 4,743.24 | |
| Tuitions | | 7,739.68 | | | 9,998.66 | |
| Rental income | | 1,996.63 | | | 1,724.90 | |
| Total operating receipts | | | $145,272.50 | | | $134,076.35 |
| Other receipts: | | | | | | |
| Special designated funds—Scholarships | | $ 1,065.00 | | | $ 175.00 | |
| Advances repaid | | 117.00 | | | 411.73 | |
| Federal withholding tax withheld | | 1,490.35 | | | 1,300.40 | |
| From annuity fund for prior years' deficits repaid from general fund | | .... | | | 1,566.71 | |
| Hagan Fund—transferred from consolidated fund | | 796.07 | | | .... | |
| Total other receipts | | | 3,468.42 | | | 3,453.84 |
| Total receipts | | | $148,740.92 | | | $137,530.19 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Disbursements:* | | | | |
| Operating disbursements: | | | | |
| Board disbursements—Exhibit "D" | $ 13,546.38 | | $ 14,351.82 | |
| Income allocated to Philadelphia Motherhouse | 46,536.38 | | 37,584.51 | |
| Baltimore Motherhouse disbursements—Exhibit "E": | | | | |
| Administrative expense | 4,462.72 | | 3,569.42 | |
| School expense | 14,308.15 | | 14,940.90 | |
| Motherhouse expense | 52,297.55 | | 50,037.05 | |
| Total operating disbursements | | $131,151.18 | | $120,483.70 |
| Other disbursements: | | | | |
| Decrease in funds held for Philadelphia Motherhouse | $ 2,395.26 | | $ 1,055.76 | |
| Advances made | .... | | 116.00 | |
| Transfer of cash to depreciation fund | 2,999.92 | | 15,000.00 | |
| Federal withholding tax paid | 1,827.35 | | 1,361.60 | |
| To building fund for equipment | .... | | 2,155.00 | |
| Additional payment on insurance deposit (Net) | 642.60 | | .... | |
| Hagan Fund Scholarship grants | 425.00 | | .... | |
| Total other disbursements | | 8,290.13 | | 19,688.36 |
| Total disbursements | | $139,441.31 | | $140,172.06 |
| *Summary:* | | | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of year | | $ 20,051.53 | | $ 22,693.40 |
| Add: | | | | |
| Operating receipts—less | $145,272.50 | | $134,076.35 | |
| Operating disbursements | 131,151.18 | | 120,483.70 | |
| Excess of operating receipts over operating disbursements | | 14,121.32 | | 13,592.65 |
| | | $ 34,172.85 | | $ 36,286.05 |
| Other receipts | | 3,468.42 | | 3,453.84 |
| | | $ 37,641.27 | | $ 39,739.89 |
| Other disbursements | | 8,290.13 | | 19,688.36 |
| Cash balance, end of year | | $ 29,351.14 | | $ 20,051.53 |

EXHIBIT "D"

### Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

### Board of Deaconess Work

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | | | | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Receipts:* | | | | | | | | |
| The United Lutheran Church in America: | | | | | | | | |
| Apportionment—Part I ...... | $ 82,050.00 | | | | $ 54,000.00 | | | |
| Apportionment—Part II ...... | 12,000.00 | | | | 15,000.00 | | | |
| Double apportionment: | | | | | | | | |
| For training more Deaconesses ...................... | .... | | | | 6,000.00 | | | |
| For collegiate training of Deaconesses ................ | .... | | | | 10,000.00 | | | |
| | | $ 94,050.00 | | | | $ 85,000.00 | | |
| Women's Missionary Society.... | | 6,000.00 | | | | 5,500.00 | | |
| Synods ................................... | | 641.57 | | | | 248.29 | | |
| Contributions .......................... | | 1,750.54 | | | | 1,331.51 | | |
| Visual aid work—contribution | | 241.70 | | | | .... | | |
| Total receipts ........................ | | | $102,683.81 | | | | $ 92,079.80 | |
| *Disbursements:* | | | | | | | | |
| Advertising and publicity ........ | | $ 4,504.72 | | | | $ 7,945.25 | | |
| Auditing .................................. | | 400.00 | | | | 360.00 | | |
| Board expense ....................... | | 2,349.80 | | | | 878.14 | | |
| Field secretary: | | | | | | | | |
| Philadelphia office secretary | $ 2,498.36 | | | | $ 2,263.12 | | | |
| Travel expense .................... | 1,824.85 | | | | 1,416.52 | | | |
| Philadelphia office expense | 1,292.24 | | | | 1,041.41 | | | |
| | | 5,615.45 | | | | 4,721.05 | | |
| Visual aid work ..................... | | 23.91 | | | | .... | | |
| Lay pension contributions (Net) | | 652.50 | | | | 447.38 | | |
| Total disbursements ............... | | | 13,546.38 | | | | 14,351.82 | |
| Net allocable receipts ........... | | | | $ 89,137.43 | | | | $ 77,727.98 |

| | Baltimore Motherhouse | Philadelphia Motherhouse | Total | | Baltimore Motherhouse | Philadelphia Motherhouse | Total | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Allocated as Follows:* | | | | | | | | |
| The United Lutheran Church in America: | | | | | | | | |
| Apportionment—Part I | $ 36,319.58 | $ 30,106.53 | $ 66,426.11 | | $ 29,653.53 | $ 9,884.51 | $ 39,538.04 | |
| Apportionment—Part II: | | | | | | | | |
| For deficit of school and motherhouse | .... | 12,000.00 | 12,000.00 | | .... | 15,000.00 | 15,000.00 | |
| Double apportionment: | | | | | | | | |
| For training more Deaconesses | .... | .... | .... | | 3,000.00 | 3,000.00 | 6,000.00 | |
| For collegiate training of Deaconesses | .... | .... | .... | | 5,000.00 | 5,000.00 | 10,000.00 | |
| Allocation of 1948 "C" Budget for instructors' salaries | .... | .... | .... | | 1,950.00 | 1,950.00 | 3,900.00 | |
| | $ 36,319.58 | $ 42,106.53 | $ 78,426.11 | | $ 39,603.53 | $ 34,834.51 | $ 74,438.04 | |
| Contributions and synodicals | 1,784.65 | 1,429.85 | 3,214.50 | | .... | .... | .... | |
| Women's Missionary Society | 3,000.00 | 3,000.00 | 6,000.00 | | 2,750.00 | 2,750.00 | 5,500.00 | |
| Total allocated | $ 41,104.23 | $ 46,536.38 | | 87,640.61 | $ 42,353.53 | $ 37,584.51 | | 79,938.04 |
| Excess or (deficiency) of net allocable receipts over allocations | | | | $ 1,496.82 | | | | $ (2,210.06) |

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Brackets ( ) denote red figures.

EXHIBIT "E"

## Baltimore Motherhouse and Training School

## Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Receipts:* | | | | |
| The United Lutheran Church in America — received from Deaconess Board: | | | | |
| Apportionment Part I ........... | $ 36,319.58 | | $ 29,653.53 | |
| Double apportionment: | | | | |
| For "Training More Deaconesses" ........ | .... | | 5,000.00 | |
| For "Collegiate Training of Deaconesses" ........ | .... | | 3,000.00 | |
| "C" Budget for instructors' salaries ........ | .... | | 1,950.00 | |
| Women's Missionary Society — received from Deaconess Board ........ | 3,000.00 | | 2,750.00 | |
| Deaconess' services ........ | 21,074.93 | | 23,340.82 | |
| Contributions (direct and apportioned) ........ | 2,471.40 | | 838.18 | |
| Income transferred from invested funds ........ | 2,877.97 | | 2,501.19 | |
| Rental income ........ | 1,996.63 | | 1,724.90 | |
| Deaconess' maintenance charges | 1,183.25 | | 1,350.75 | |
| Tuitions ........ | 7,739.68 | | 9,998.66 | |
| Income from Cronhardt Memorial Fund ........ | 6,332.14 | | 2,242.05 | |
| Contribution toward graduate tuitions — Children of the Church ........ | 697.34 | | .... | |
| Total receipts ........ | | $ 83,692.92 | | $ 84,350.08 |
| *Disbursements:* | | | | |
| Administrative: | | | | |
| Office expense and supplies .... | $ 411.23 | | $ 252.37 | |
| Clerical payroll and expenses.... | 3,145.00 | | 2,495.00 | |
| Postage ........ | 159.00 | | 155.50 | |
| Printing and Stationery ........ | 456.29 | | 381.77 | |
| Telephone and telegraph ........ | 291.20 | | 284.78 | |
| | | $ 4,462.72 | | $ 3,569.42 |
| School expense: | | | | |
| Church school expense ........ | $ 30.40 | | $ 116.86 | |
| Library books, subscriptions and expense ........ | 1,468.50 | | 299.97 | |
| Instructors' salaries ........ | 7,095.00 | | 6,785.00 | |
| Equipment and supplies ........ | 517.83 | | 313.40 | |
| Student Maintenance ........ | 2,706.25 | | 3,625.00 | |
| Travel ........ | 408.54 | | 494.15 | |
| Tuition of graduate students.... | 2,058.36 | | 3,255.01 | |
| Music department expenses .... | 23.27 | | 51.51 | |
| | | 14,308.15 | | 14,940.90 |

|  |  |  |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Motherhouse expense: |  |  |  |  |
| Deaconess' expense accounts | $ 821.37 |  | $ 718.23 |  |
| Deaconess' medical expense | 2,942.29 |  | 2,754.63 |  |
| Deaconess' allowances | 11,850.00 |  | 11,520.00 |  |
| Deaconess' travel | 996.56 |  | 2,059.51 |  |
| Deaconess' vacation allowance | 1,525.00 |  | 1,540.00 |  |
| Deaconess' wearing apparel | 4,770.58 |  | 5,351.09 |  |
| Food | 7,418.75 |  | 7,844.78 |  |
| Household furnishings | 3,192.50 |  | 1,264.52 |  |
| Payroll: |  |  |  |  |
| Household | 4,190.55 |  | 3,599.05 |  |
| Engineer and helper | 1,536.00 |  | 1,548.00 |  |
| Auto expense | 221.68 |  | 232.41 |  |
| Heating expense | 2,245.78 |  | 2,454.60 |  |
| Gas and electric | 1,781.76 |  | 1,591.14 |  |
| Maintenance of farm and grounds | 2,620.95 |  | 4,183.38 |  |
| Repairs and replacements | 907.51 |  | 958.21 |  |
| Insurance | 1,115.08 |  | 160.21 |  |
| Maintenance of properties: |  |  |  |  |
| 1901 Thomas Avenue | 960.88 |  | 895.91 |  |
| 1905 Thomas Avenue | 2,052.34 |  | 217.44 |  |
| 1908 Warwick Avenue | .... |  | 5.18 |  |
| Water rent | 72.30 |  | 86.09 |  |
| Miscellaneous | 1,075.67 |  | 1,052.67 |  |
|  |  | 52,297.55 |  | 50,037.05 |
| Total disbursements |  | $ 71,068.42 |  | $ 68,547.37 |
| *Summary:* |  |  |  |  |
| Receipts |  | $ 83,692.92 |  | $ 84,350.08 |
| Disbursements |  | 71,068.42 |  | 68,547.37 |
| Excess of receipts over disbursements |  | $ 12,624.50 |  | $ 15,802.71 |

EXHIBIT "F"

## Consolidated Fund

### Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | | | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Principal:* | | | | | | |
| Cash balance (overdraft), beginning of year | | | $ (253.80) | | | $ 2,333.27 |
| Receipts: | | | | | | |
| Donations and bequests: | | | | | | |
| Endowment fund | $ 5,234.55 | | | $ 6,486.07 | | |
| Fiftieth Anniversary Scholarship Fund | 279.00 | | | 219.75 | | |
| Harris Memorial Scholarship Fund | 10.00 | | | 2,005.00 | | |
| | | $ 5,523.55 | | | $ 8,710.82 | |
| Transfers from income: | | | | | | |
| Fiftieth Anniversary Scholarship Fund | $ 1,428.04 | | | $ 1,479.37 | | |
| William L. Birely Fund | 4,409.48 | | | 4,142.68 | | |
| H. S. Lederer Fund | 900.65 | | | 908.77 | | |
| | | 6,738.17 | | | 6,530.82 | |
| Proceeds—sale of investments | | 50,478.13 | | | 73,066.26 | |
| Transfer from general fund: | | | | | | |
| Depreciation fund | | 2,999.92 | | | 15,000.00 | |
| Total receipts | | | 65,739.77 | | | 103,307.90 |
| | | | $ 65,485.97 | | | $105,641.17 |
| Disbursements: | | | | | | |
| Scholarship Grant—Hagan Fund (now in general fund) | | $ .... | | | $ 150.00 | |
| Student loan—Fiftieth Anniversary Scholarship Fund | | .... | | | 452.00 | |
| Purchase of investments | | 65,546.80 | | | 103,351.18 | |
| Transfer to general fund for prior years' repayments of annuity fund deficits | | .... | | | 1,566.71 | |
| Annuity fund deficit to income | | 204.94 | | | 375.08 | |
| Transfer of Hagan Fund to general fund | | 796.07 | | | .... | |
| Total disbursements | | | 66,547.81 | | | 105,894.97 |
| Cash balance (overdraft), end of year | | | $ (1,061.84) | | | $ (253.80) |

**Brackets ( ) denote red figures.**

| | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Income:* | | | | | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of year | | | $ 625.43 | | | $ 403.98 |
| Receipts: | | | | | | |
| Investment income: (Net of commissions) | | | | | | |
| Interest on bonds | | $ 4,274.03 | | | $ 6,254.42 | |
| Sale of stock rights | | 25.74 | | | .... | |
| Dividends on stocks | | 1,882.93 | | | 110.58 | |
| Interest on savings and loan deposits | | 220.05 | | | ... | |
| Ground rents | | 510.00 | | | 510.00 | |
| Trust Estate of John A. Hoober, income | | 526.23 | | | 550,81 | |
| Trust Estate of William L. Birely, income | | 3,686.66 | | | 3,519.18 | |
| Transfer from principal cash for annuity fund deficit | | 204.94 | | | 375.08 | |
| Total receipts | | | 11,330.58 | | | 11,320.07 |
| | | | $ 11,956.01 | | | $ 11,724.05 |
| Disbursements: | | | | | | |
| Transfers of income to general fund | | $ 2,877.97 | | | $ 2,501.19 | |
| Transfers of income to fund principal: | | | | | | |
| Fiftieth Anniversary Scholarship fund | $ 1,428.04 | | | $ 1,479.37 | | |
| William L. Birely Fund | 4,409.48 | | | 4,142,68 | | |
| H. S. Lederer Fund | 900.65 | | | 908.77 | | |
| | | 6,738.17 | | | 6,530.82 | |
| Interest paid to annuitants | | 1,297.10 | | | 1,546.10 | |
| Library Fund Income to Philadelphia Motherhouse | | 130.69 | | | 195.51 | |
| Repayment of advance to general fund | | .... | | | 325.00 | |
| Total disbursements | | | 11,043.93 | | | 11,098.62 |
| Cash balance, end of year | | | $ 912.08 | | | $ 625.43 |

EXHIBIT "G"

## Cronhardt Memorial Fund

## Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | | | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Principal:* | | | | | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of year | | | $ 586.17 | | | none |
| Receipts: | | | | | | |
| Received by bequest, July 8, 1948 | | $ .... | | | $ 13,587.42 | |
| Proceeds—sale of securities: | | | | | | |
| United States Bonds | | .... | | $101,472.48 | | |
| Corporate bonds | | 9,568.69 | | 4,883.77 | | |
| | | | 9,568.69 | | 106,356.25 | |
| Transfer from income cash | | | .... | | 918.59 | |
| Total receipts | | | $ 10,154.86 | | | $120,862.26 |
| Disbursements: | | | | | | |
| Purchase of securities: | | | | | | |
| United States Bonds | $ .... | | | $110,010.67 | | |
| Common stocks | .... | | | 5,415.79 | | |
| Corporate bonds | 10,126.74 | | | .... | | |
| | | $ 10,126.74 | | | $115,426.46 | |
| Legal fees and transfer charges | | .... | | | 4,849.63 | |
| Total disbursements | | | 10,126.74 | | | 120,276.09 |
| Cash balance, end of year | | | $ 28.12 | | | $ 586.17 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Income:* | | | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of year | | none | | none |
| Receipts: | | | | |
| Income on investments during litigation period (net) | $ .... | | $ 918.59 | |
| Income on investments (net): | | | | |
| Interest—United States Bonds | 1,723.75 | | 240.48 | |
| Interest—Corporate bonds | 808.71 | | 533.83 | |
| Dividends—Preferred stocks | 742.92 | | 367.52 | |
| Dividends—Common stocks | 2,943.01 | | 1,100.22 | |
| Stock rights | 113.75 | | .... | |
| Total receipts | | $ 6,332.14 | | $ 3,160.64 |
| Disbursements: | | | | |
| Transfer to principal | $ .... | | $ 918.59 | |
| Transfer to general fund income | 6,332.14 | | 2,242.05 | |
| Total disbursements | | 6,332.14 | | 3,160.64 |
| Cash balance, end of year | | $ .... | | $ .... |

EXHIBIT "H"

## Reconciliation of Funds

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | | | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *General Fund:* | | | | | | |
| Principal balance, beginning of year | | | $ 19,986.27 | | | $ 22,581.91 |
| Add: | | | | | | |
| Excess of operating receipts | $145,272.50 | | | $134,076.35 | | |
| Over operating disbursements | 131,151.18 | | | 120,483.70 | | |
| | | $ 14,121.32 | | | $ 13,592.65 | |
| Transfer from consolidated fund for prior years' payments of annuity fund deficit | | .... | | | 1,566.71 | |
| | | | 14,121.32 | | | 15,159.36 |
| | | | $ 34,107.59 | | | $ 37,741.27 |

| | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Less: | | | | | | |
| Transfer to depreciation fund | | $ 2,999.92 | | | $ 15,000.00 | |
| Transfer to building fund: | | | | | | |
| Automobile | $ .... | | | $ 2,155.00 | | |
| Burial lot | .... | | | 600.00 | | |
| | | .... | | | 2,755.00 | |
| | | | 2,999.92 | | | 17,755.00 |
| Principal balance, end of year | | | $ 31,107.67 | | | $ 19,986.27 |
| General fund is allocated as follows: | | | | | | |
| Designated balances: | | | | | | |
| For training deaconesses | | | $ 8,000.00 | | | $ 8,000.00 |
| For remodeling Home for Retired Sisters (½ of total allocation) | | | 4,450.02 | | | .... |
| For triennial homecoming (½ of total allocation) | | | 300.00 | | | .... |
| Visual Aid Fund | | | 217.79 | | | ... |
| | | | $ 12,967.81 | | | $ 8,000.00 |
| General fund surplus | | | 18,139.86 | | | 11,986.27 |
| Total as above | | | $ 31,107.67 | | | $ 19,986.27 |
| *Consolidated Fund:* | | | | | | |
| Principal balance, beginning of year | | | | $236,273.28 | | $207,592.80 |
| Add: | | | | | | |
| Donations and bequests: | | | | | | |
| Harris Memorial Scholarship Fund | | | $ 10.00 | | $ 2,005.00 | |
| Fiftieth Anniversary Scholarship Fund | | | 279.00 | | 219.75 | |
| Endowment Fund | | | 5,234.55 | | 6,486.07 | |
| Transfer from income: | | | | | | |
| Fiftieth Anniversary Scholarship Fund | | | 1,428.04 | | 1,479.37 | |
| William L. Bireley Fund | | | 4,409.48 | | 4,142.68 | |
| H. S. Lederer Fund | | | 900.65 | | 908.77 | |
| Gain on sale of investments | | | 466.53 | | 549.38 | |
| Transfer from general fund—depreciation fund | | | 2,999.92 | | 15,000.00 | |
| | | | | 15,728.17 | | 30,791.02 |
| | | | | $252,001.45 | | $238,383.82 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Deduct: | | | | |
| Scholarship Grant—Hagan Fund* | .... | | $ 150.00 | |
| Transfer to general fund for prior years' repayments of annuity fund deficit | .... | | 1,566.71 | |
| United States Savings Bonds sold in prior years but not adjusted | .... | | 18.75 | |
| Annuity fund deficit for year | $ 204.94 | | 375.08 | |
| Transfer of Hagan Fund to general fund* | 796.07 | | .... | |
| | | 1,001.01 | | 2,110.54 |
| Principal balance, end of year | | $251,000.44 | | $236,273.28 |
| *Cronhardt Memorial Fund:* | | | | |
| Principal balance, beginning of year | | $157,556.35 | | $ .... |
| Add: | | | | |
| Principal received by bequest, July 8, 1948 | $ .... | | $161,449.81 | |
| Gain on sales of securities | .... | | 141.31 | |
| Income capitalized | .... | | 918.59 | |
| | | .... | | 162,509.71 |
| | | $157,556.35 | | $162,509.71 |
| Deduct: | | | | |
| Legal fees and transfer charges | $ .... | | $ 4,849.63 | |
| Loss on sales of securities | 35.55 | | 103.73 | |
| | | 35.55 | | 4,953.36 |
| Principal balance, end of year | | $157,520.80 | | $157,556.35 |
| *Buildings and Equipment Fund* | | | | |
| Principal balance, beginning of year | | $305,230.39 | | $304,490.88 |
| Add: | | | | |
| Transfer from general fund for equipment purchased | | .... | | 2,755.00 |
| | | $305,230.39 | | $307,245.88 |
| Deduct: | | | | |
| Provision for depreciation | | 2,159.16 | | 2,015.49 |
| Principal balance, end of year | | $303,071.23 | | $305,230.39 |

* Included in general fund during 1949-50 fiscal year

## Consolidated Fund Investments

*June 30, 1950*

| Par Value | UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT BONDS | Inteerst Rate | Maturity Date | Book Value | Market Value |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| $ 5,000. | United States Treasury | 2½% | 12/15/64-69 | $ 5,000.00 | $ 5,098.44 |
| 50,000. | United States Treasury | 2½% | 12/15/67-72 | 50,000.00 | 50,562.50 |
| 15,000. | United States Treasury | 2½% | 12/15/67-72 | 15,595.31 | 15,168.75 |
| 50. | United States Savings, Series "E" | 2½% | 1/1/52 | 37.50 | 46.00* |
| 10,000. | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | 4/1/56 | 10,000.00 | 9,550.00* |
| 5,000. | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | 7/1/56 | 5,000.00 | 4,760.00* |
| 5,000. | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | 9/1/56 | 5,000.00 | 4,760.00* |
| 2,600. | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | 12/1/56 | 2,600.00 | 2,475.52* |
| 20,000. | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | 6/1/58 | 20,000.00 | 18,940.00* |
| 15,000. | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | 3/1/61 | 15,000.00 | 14,670.00* |
| 16,000. | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | 5/1/61 | 16,000.00 | 15,648.00* |
| 10,000. | United States Certificate of Indebtedness | 1¼% | 7/1/51 | 10,000.00 | 10,000.00 |
| | Total | | | $154,232.81 | $151,679.21 |
| | CORPORATE BONDS | | | | |
| $ 3,000. | American Tobacco 3% Debentures | | 10/15/69 | $ 3,153.75 | $ 3,135.00 |
| Shares | STOCKS | | | | |
| 15 | American Cyanamid Company, Cumulative Preferred, Series "B" 3½% | | | $ 1,634.69 | $ 1,612.50 |
| 100 | Corn Products Refining Company | | | 6,484.95 | 6,450.00 |
| 100 | Dayton Power & Light Company | | | 2,939.66 | 3,050.00 |
| 100 | General Electric Corporation | | | 3,754.00 | 4,525.00 |
| 150 | General Foods Corporation | | | 7,112.05 | 7,350.00 |
| 125 | Houston Light & Power Company | | | 5,458.81 | 6,468.75 |
| 100 | Montgomery Ward & Company | | | 5,619,47 | 5,400.00 |
| 100 | Southern California Edison Company | | | 3,517.44 | 3,300.00 |
| 100 | Union Carbide & Carbon Company | | | 3,992.31 | 4,500.00 |
| 10 | Union Trust Company of Maryland | | | .... | 225.00 |
| 100 | F. W. Woolworth Company | | | 4,518.37 | 4,675.00 |
| 100 | Hershey Chocolate Company | | | 4,480.83 | 4,150.00 |
| | Total | | | $ 49,512.58 | $ 51,706.25 |

* Indicates redemption value

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| GROUND-RENTS | | |
| 3007 Wayne Avenue | $ 1,300.00 | $ 1,300.00* |
| 3610 Plateau Avenue | 1,400.00 | 1,400.00* |
| 38 South Calverton Road | 1,200.00 | 1,200.00* |
| 1648 Shadyside Avenue | 1,771.31 | 1,500.00* |
| 1660 Shadyside Avenue | 1,771.31 | 1,500.00* |
| 1618 Round Hill Road | 1,892.47 | 1,500.00* |
| Total | $ 9,335.09 | $ 8,400.00 |
| SAVINGS ACCOUNTS | | |
| Central Savings Bank | $ 10,083.33 | $ 10,083.33 |
| Citizens Savings Bank | 5,016.67 | 5,016.67 |
| Eutaw Savings Bank | 10,033.33 | 10,033.33 |
| Metropolitan Savings Bank | 5,045.05 | 5,045.05 |
| Savings Bank of Baltimore | 5,041.67 | 5,041.67 |
| Total | $ 35,220.05 | $ 35,220.05 |
| Total investments | $251,454.28 | $250,140.51 |

SCHEDULE II

## Cronhardt Memorial Fund Investments

*June 30, 1950*

| Par Value | UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT BONDS | Interest Rate | Maturity Date | Book Value | Market Value |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| $70,000. | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | 3/1/61 | $ 70,000.00 | $ 68,460.00* |
| | CORPORATE BONDS | | | | |
| $10,000. | American Telephone & Telegraph Company, Debentures | 2¾% | 1971 | $ 10,000.00 | $ 10,000.00 |
| 6,000. | Michigan Consolidated Gas Company, First Mortgage | 3½% | 3/1/69 | 6,300.00 | 6,457.50 |
| 4,000. | American Tobacco Company, 20-year Debentures | 3% | 4/15/62 | 4,085.00 | 4,075.00 |
| 6,000. | National Steel Corporation, First Collateral Mortgage | 3% | 4/1/65 | 6,180.00 | 6,255.00 |
| | Total | | | $ 26,665.00 | $ 26,787.50 |
| Shares | PREFERRED STOCKS | | | | |
| 10 | Firestone Tire and Rubber Company, 4½% Series, Cumulative | | | $ 1,055.00 | $ 1,052.50 |
| 15 | The Hecht Company, 3¾% Cumulative | | | 1,350.00 | 1,455.00 |

|  |  |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|
| 31 | Phillip Morris & Co., Ltd., Inc., 4% Cumulative | 2,910.13 | 3,216.25 |
| 75 | R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, 3.60% | 6,843.75 | 7,125.00 |
| 70 | Union Oil Company of California, $3.75 Cumulative, Series "A" | 6,641.25 | 7,052.50 |
|  | Total | $ 18,800.13 | $ 19,901.25 |
|  | COMMON STOCKS |  |  |
| 100 | American Cyanamid Company | $ 3,812.50 | $ 6,775.00 |
| 15 | Boston Edison Company | 630.00 | 678.75 |
| 150 | Commonwealth Edison Company | 4,087.50 | 4,575.00 |
| 100 | Diamond Match Company | 3,879.60 | 3,750.00 |
| 100 | Fidelity Phenix Fire Insurance Company of New York | 4,781.25 | 5,900.00 |
| 100 | General Motors Corporation | 6,356.44 | 8,737.50 |
| 109 | H. L. Green Company, Inc. | 4,101.13 | 4,114.75 |
| 150 | National Dairy Products Corporation | 4,650.00 | 5,925.00 |
| 42 | Phillips Petroleum Company | 3,202.50 | 2,656.50 |
| 103 | The Texas Company | 6,526.63 | 6,720.75 |
|  | Total | $ 42,027.55 | $ 49,833.25 |
|  | Total investments | $157,492.68 | $164,982.00 |

* Indicates redemption value

SCHEDULE III

## Changes in Consolidated Fund

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | Balance July 1, 1948 | Additions<br>Gains on Sale of Securities | Additions<br>Other (Exhibit "H") | Deductions (Exhibit "H") | Balance June 30, 1949 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Annuity Fund | $ 38,193.58 | $ 97.69 | .... | $ 1,941.79 | $ 36,349.48 |
| William L. Birely Fund | 18,426.21 | 52.16 | $ 4,142.68 | .... | 22,621.05 |
| Construction Fund | 20,655.41 | 54.82 | .... | .... | 20,710.23 |
| Depreciation Fund | .... | 10.23 | 15,000.00 | .... | 15,010.23 |
| Endowment Fund | 38,525.22 | 99.29 | 6,486.07 | .... | 45,110.58 |
| Fiftieth Anniversary Scholarship Fund | 47,710.65 | 123.29 | 1,699.12 | 18.75 | 49,514.31 |
| Hagan Scholarship Fund | 946.07 | .... | .... | 150.00 | 796.07 |
| Harris Memorial Scholarship Fund | .... | 4.96 | 2,005.00 | .... | 2,009.96 |
| H. S. Lederer Fund | 30,518.08 | 75.69 | 908.77 | .... | 31,502.54 |
| Deaconess Library Fund | 12,617.58 | 31.25 | .... | .... | 12,648.83 |
| | $207,592.80 | $ 549.38 | $ 30,241.64 | $ 2,110.54 | $236,273.28 |

| | Balance July 1, 1949 | Additions<br>Gains on Sale of Securities | Additions<br>Other (Exhibit "H") | Deductions (Exhibit "H") | Balance June 30, 1950 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Annuity Fund | $ 36,349.48 | $ 75.62 | $ .... | $ 204.94 | $ 36,220.16 |
| William L. Birely Fund | 22,621.05 | 47.03 | 4,409.48 | .... | 27,077.56 |
| Construction Fund | 20,710.23 | 42.50 | .... | .... | 20,752.73 |
| Depreciation Fund | 15,010.23 | 31.54 | 2,999.92 | .... | 18,041.69 |
| Endowment Fund | 45,110.58 | 84.81 | 5,234.55 | .... | 50,429.94 |
| Fiftieth Anniversary Scholarship Fund | 49,514.31 | 97.46 | 1,707.04 | .... | 51,318.81 |
| Hagan Scholarship Fund | 796.07 | .... | .... | 796.07 | .... |
| Harris Memorial Scholarship Fund | 2,009.96 | 3.82 | 10.00 | .... | 2,023.78 |
| H. S. Lederer Fund | 31,502.54 | 59.58 | 900.65 | .... | 32,462.77 |
| Deaconess Library Fund | 12,648.83 | 24.17 | .... | .... | 12,673.00 |
| | $236,273.28 | $ 466.53 | $ 15,261.64 | $ 1,001.01 | $251,000.44 |

SCHEDULE IV

## Real Estate and Equipment

*June 30, 1950*

| | Book Value | Reserve for Depreciation June 30, 1950 | Net Book Value |
|---|---|---|---|
| *Real Estate:* | | | |
| 2500 West North Avenue | | | |
| Land | $170,000.00 | $ .... | $170,000.00 |
| Buildings: | | | |
| Motherhouse | 83,900.00 | 8,390.00 | 75,510.00 |
| Elevator installation | 6,904.03 | 690.40 | 6,213.63 |
| Gardener's cottage | 5,097.00 | 509.68 | 4,587.32 |
| Frame barn | 1,400.00 | 140.00 | 1,260.00 |
| 1901-05 Thomas Avenue | | | |
| Land | 6,500.00 | .... | 6,500.00 |
| Buildings: | | | |
| 1901 Thomas Avenue | 5,320.00 | 532.00 | 4,788.00 |
| 1905 Thomas Avenue | 6,390.00 | 639.05 | 5,750.95 |
| 1908 Warwick Avenue | | | |
| Land | 11,800.00 | .... | 11,800.00 |
| Building | 10,305.12 | 1,030.46 | 9,274.66 |
| Burial plot | 600.00 | .... | 600.00 |
| | $308,216.15 | $ 11,931.59 | $296,284.56 |
| Equipment at Motherhouse and automobile | 12,855.00 | 6,068.33 | 6,786.67 |
| Total | $321,071.15 | $ 17,999.92 | $303,071.23 |

## Accountant's Certificate

The Board of Deaconess Work
Baltimore, Maryland

We have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of The Board of Deaconess Work of The United Lutheran Church in America for the years ended June 30, 1950 and June 30, 1949. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying balance sheets and statements of cash receipts and disbursements present fairly the financial position of the Board as at June 30, 1950 and June 30, 1949 and the results of its operations for the years then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding biennium.

TAIT, WELLER & BAKER
*Certified Public Accountants*

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
July 27, 1950

Dr. Baughman introduced the new promotional secretary of the Board of Deaconess Work, Sister Evelyn Houlroyd, who addressed the convention. Sister Evelyn described as her ambition in her new service "to challenge young women to serve humanity in the name of their Lord."

The Board president introduced the directing sisters of the Deaconess Motherhouses, Sisters Martha Hansen and Anna Ebert of the Baltimore and Philadelphia Motherhouses, respectively.

Dr. Baughman presented Sister Mildred Winter, the newly elected executive secretary of the Board of Deaconess Work, who addressed the convention. Sister Mildred pointed out that the Diaconate has been under helpful and welcome scrutiny for a decade. She cited as evidence of flexibility and progress the fact that all Lutheran deaconesses in this country are tending toward the use of the same garb, and all motherhouses are using more effective screening processes in the selection of candidates. She pointed to the recruitment problem as being the most difficult one to solve, and expressed her eager hope that the convention would make it possible to expand the field service of the Board.

Sister Mildred mentioned that the diaconate in America is celebrating its centennial this year and declared that "as we enter the second century of our work, we lift up our hearts." Her concluding remark was, "We of the Diaconate will go forward as you direct and enable us."

At this point in the presentation Dr. William H. Cooper addressed the convention. Dr. Cooper called for an increase in the number of qualified candidates and mentioned that there were 180 calls for deaconess service currently registered with the Board. He mentioned that the number and variety of the fields of service into which deaconesses are entering are increasing. He forecast an expanded fellowship including both the sisters of the Diaconate and the women of the Church in other full-time service.

The president of the Board pointed out the relationship between the standards proposed for determining who shall qualify as a "Commissioned Worker of The United Lutheran Church in America," and the proposals concerning the commissioning of such workers.

The standards referred to immediately above are reported on pp. 699-700. (Cf. pp. 698, 699 for proposals concerning commissioning.)

Dr. Baughman presented the following motion:

> "Moved that the following standards (III-VII) jointly adopted by the Board of Education and the Board of Deaconess Work be accepted by the Church and approved as the standards of education and training for women workers in the fields specified."

President Fry made two statements of fact at this point. He declared first: that the establishment of such standards is not a new procedure among us, pointing out that in 1944 the Church authorized a study of the feasibility of establishing such personnel standards, and that in 1946 the standards proposed were referred to the institutions concerned for their consideration; and second, that the relationship between the issue of standards and the other issues presented by the Board of Deaconess Work makes it clear that the standards ought to be acted upon before the issue of commissioning is considered. President Fry also pointed out that the Board of Deaconess Work would present a substitute wording for certain parts of the recommendations which that Board presents to the convention on pages 698-699.

By common consent the convention considered the standards seriatim.

Immediately after the presentation of III, 1, the Hon. James F. Henninger questioned the validity of the proposed standards.

The Rev. Gustav H. Bechtold pled for the inclusion of the Board of Social Missions in the determination and application of standards of the kind being considered.

The Rev. F. R. Knubel presented the following motion:

> "Moved that action on this motion (to adopt the standards) be postponed until after action has been taken by the convention on the recommendations of the Board of Deaconess Work concerning the commissioning of women."

The motion was adopted.

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The president declared the session adjourned, and the chaplain led the convention in the closing prayer.

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To the profit and edification of the convention the following program was presented as the feature of Friday evening, October 6:

THE WORLD WORK OF LUTHERANS

*New Voices* *New Needs* *New Resources*

*Special Program*
at
Seventeenth Biennial Convention of
The United Lutheran Church in America
7:45 P.M., Friday, October 6, 1950
(Organ Recital, 7:15 P.M.)

KRNT RADIO THEATER
Des Moines, Iowa

Presiding—The Reverend Abdel Ross Wentz, D.D.,
First Vice-President, Lutheran World Federation

Organ Recital .......... Maestro Guiseppe Moschetti

Hymn—"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

The Scripture Lesson—Romans 8:1-18 and 31-39

The Prayer

Address: The Reverend Fredrik A. Schiotz, D.D., Executive Secretary
National Lutheran Council Commission on Younger Churches and
Orphaned Missions

Greetings: The Reverend Paido Tua Sarumpaet, Sumatra

The Choir of St. John's Lutheran Church
Director: Mr. Kenneth Gfeller
The offering for Lutheran World Action

Greetings: Mr. Fuad Nucho, Palestine

Hymn—"O God of Mercy God of Might"

Address: The Reverend S. C. Michelfelder, D.D., Executive Secretary
Lutheran World Federation

Hymn—"God of Our Fathers, Whose Almighty Hand"

The Benediction

The Organ Postlude
Mr. George Trissel, organist

## FOURTH MEETING

### First Session

KRNT Radio Theater, Des Moines, Iowa
Saturday, October 7, 1950, 8:45 A.M.

The chaplain conducted the devotions.

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The secretary presented the following report of the roll of the convention:

Number of delegates elected: Clerical, 300; Lay, 298. Total, 598.

Number of delegates in attendance: Clerical, 300; Lay, 292. Total, 592.

Twenty-nine synods have 100 per cent attendance of their delegations; 6 lay members are absent.

Two synods have 1 delegate absent and 2 synods have 2 delegates absent.

Affiliated churches have delegates present, as follows:

Andhra Evangelical Lutheran Church—2 delegates
Evangelical Lutheran Church in Japan—2 delegates
Evangelical Lutheran Church in British Guiana—2 delegates
Evangelical Lutheran Church in Liberia—1 delegate
United Evangelical Lutheran Church (Argentina)—2 delegates

In accordance with the action of the 1944 convention, 2 observers are present from one synod.

SUMMARY

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| 592 | delegates present from constituent synods |
| 9 | delegates present from Affiliated churches |
| 2 | observers present from constituent synods |
| 603 | |

Respectfully submitted,
F. Eppling Reinartz, *Secretary*

The report was received as information.

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Dr. James C. Kinard, chairman, presented the following report and recommendations of the Committee of Reference and Counsel:

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AND COUNSEL

1. Canada observes its Thanksgiving Day on Monday, October 9.

We recommend that our chaplain be requested to make appropriate recognition in the morning devotions for that day.

2. The Rev. E. Schmidt, on account of the funeral services for a fellow-pastor, cannot present the report of the Committee on German Interests at the scheduled hour Monday.

We recommend that the president be asked to try to find a place for this report either Tuesday afternoon or evening.

The recommendations of the Committee were adopted.

Mr. Virgil W. Doub, chairman of the Committee on Conduct of Elections presented its reports as follows:

### EXECUTIVE BOARD

Each of the following received a majority of the votes cast for the term expiring 1954:

Rev. Dwight F. Putman
Rev. J. J. Scherer, Jr.

Norman E. Bischoff
Erwin H. List
William F. Zimmerman

The president declared them elected. One clergyman yet to be elected.

### COMMISSION OF ADJUDICATION

Each of the following received a majority of the votes cast for the term expiring 1956:

Rev. Benjamin H. Pershing

George A. Baldwin

The president declared them elected. One clergyman yet to be elected.

### BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

Each of the following received a majority of the votes cast for the term expiring 1956:

Rev. Earl S. Erb

M. P. Moller, Jr.

The president declared them elected. Three clergymen and two laymen yet to be elected.

### BOARD OF AMERICAN MISSIONS AND WEST INDIES MISSION BOARD

Each of the following received a majority of the votes cast for the term expiring 1956:

Rev. Henry W. A. Hanson
Rev. Paul J. Hoh
Rev. H. T. Rasmussen

Lucius A. Denny
John C. Korn
Clarence L. Schust

The president declared them elected. One clergyman yet to be elected.

### BOARD OF SOCIAL MISSIONS

Each of the following received a majority of the votes cast for the term expiring 1956:

Rev. H. T. Lehmann
Rev. George R. Whittecar
Rev. William C. Zimmann

Victor H. Evjen
William H. Patrick, Jr.
Mrs. G. Morris Smith

The president declared them elected. One clergyman yet to be elected.

### BOARD OF DEACONESS WORK

Each of the following received a majority of the votes cast for the term expiring 1956:

Rev. Russell Frank Auman
Rev. Harry F. Baughman

Luther C. Boliek
Sister Louise Burroughs
Miss Frances Dysinger

The president declared them elected.

### BOARD OF PENSIONS AND RELIEF

Each of the following received a majority of the votes cast for the term expiring 1956:

James F. Henninger
Fred C. Mueller

The president declared them elected. One layman yet to be elected.

### BOARD OF EDUCATION

Each of the following received a majority of the votes cast for the term expiring 1956:

Rev. Lawrence D. Folkemer
Rev. Leland H. Lesher
Rev. Paul C. White
Rev. D. Bruce Young

Millard E. Gladfelter
Alvin Schaediger

The president declared them elected. One layman yet to be elected.

### PARISH AND CHURCH SCHOOL BOARD

Each of the following received a majority of the votes cast for the term expiring 1956:

Rev. Walter Bitner Freed
Rev. G. Lawrence Himmelman
Rev. Paul J. Renz

Horace Geisel

The president declared them elected.

### BOARD OF PUBLICATION

Each of the following received a majority of the votes cast for the term expiring 1956:

Rev. C. C. Rasmussen
Rev. Theodore G. Tappert
O. A. Hanke
Carl N. Weber

The president declared them elected. Two clergymen and one layman yet to be elected.

### COMMITTEE ON CHURCH PAPERS

Each of the following received a majority of the votes cast for the term expiring 1956:

Rev. Edward T. Horn
W. Emerson Reck

The president declared them elected. One clergyman yet to be elected.

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF LAYMEN'S MOVEMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP

Each of the following received a majority of the votes cast for the term expiring 1952:

Charles H. Esser
Alexander Graf
Peter P. Hagan
Thomas P. Hickman
Harold U. Landis
Lawrence F. Speckman
William H. Stackel
Clarence C. Stoughton
S. Frederick Telleen

The president declared them elected. One layman yet to be elected.

### EDITOR OF THE LUTHERAN

The Rev. G. Elson Ruff having received 502 of the 516 votes cast for editor of *The Lutheran* was declared elected for the biennium 1951-1952.

The president declared him elected.

The president announced that the second ballot would be taken on Monday, October 9, 1950, at the stated time.

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Mrs. C. W. Baker, Jr., president, presented the Report of the Women's Missionary Society.

## REPORT OF THE WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The biennial report of the Women's Missionary Society is made for the last year of work done in the triennium ending 1949 and the first in its present triennium. At the triennial convention in Grand Rapids, Michigan, September 29 to October 3, 1949, some actions were taken changing organization procedure. One year under the revised constitution is not sufficient time to give conclusive report of effects. We report, however, for 92,341 members as compared with 79,744 two years ago. Total receipts for the biennium were $1,410,351.18 from members; $21,893.25 from bequests and matured annuities. Although for the year ending June 1950 contributions were more than $44,000 less than those of the previous year, the total for the two years' period shows an increase. For the previous biennium the receipts reported were $1,271,259.62.

### Simplified Procedure

Basically, the changes in the constitution were for the purpose of simplification. Instead of assessing members at the rate of ten cents per month for the General Fund of the Society, free will offerings were authorized. To meet the request for fewer special offerings, Christmas, Lenten and India Lace Day Offerings have been eliminated and members are asked to make increased Thank Offerings at the times and for the budgeted purposes for which these offerings are designated.

Financial membership obligations, therefore, are reduced to two—regular free will offerings and Thank Offering. Other obligations are those authorized by the synodical societies.

A simplified financial program can be more readily adopted by new congregational societies. Especially is this true in congregations where the unified plan of organization is followed. The adoption of a well planned budget by the congregational organization is recommended.

### Membership

The 92,341 members will report hereafter as thirty-one synodical societies. The New Jersey Synodical Society organized on June 26, 1950 constitutes the thirty-first unit of membership. Of a total of 3,402 congregational societies, 722 report using the unified plan. This is an increase of 179 over the 543 of two years ago.

Of the total membership on June 30, 1950, 62⅔ per cent were in 11 synodical societies, (now 12) bordering on the Atlantic Coast; 33 per cent were in 15 synodical societies in central United States; 4⅓ per cent were in the four remaining synodical societies in western United States. About 11 per cent of the members are under 30 years of age.

### Triennial Emphasis

Sensing the challenge in reaching a larger number of women for participation in the wider work of our Church, and acknowledging the need of spiritual growth in the present members, the Society is promoting a threefold emphasis on *Worship*, *Membership*, and *Stewardship*. Special attention is given to the regular use of worship materials provided by the Church. There will be one season of unified and concerted Bible study and prayer. In co-operation with the Stewardship Office of the Church special promotion is being carried forward among our own members and in co-operation with our respective congregations. We hope that by improving the discipleship of the present membership other women will be added to the organization.

### Education and Promotion

Monthly programs, mission study, and *Lutheran Woman's Work* continue to be the chief channels for missionary education. In addition to the dated monthly topics in semiannual packets the series of undated program booklets is being developed. These are especially adaptable for "Women of the Church" groups. Five booklets of this type are now available.

Mission study books endorsed for use are usually those published by the Missionary Education Movement. For the year 1950-51, for home mission study, the book *More Than Bread*, by the Rev. Frank Herzel of our own Church is to be used

Subscriptions for *Lutheran Woman's Work* as of June 30, 1950 total 55,390.

Promotional work in addition to that accomplished through printed materials is carried on through personal presentations. One field secretary, Miss Frances Dysinger, has given a major portion of her time to presenting the work to groups throughout the Church. Other staff members and officers have also had many personal contacts with our membership throughout the past two years.

We are grateful to missionaries and to guests from our overseas churches for the excellent promotion they have done, not only for their own churches, but for the entire cause of missions.

Audio-visual aids are being used increasingly in promoting missions. In addition to assistance in the production of such aids by boards of the Church, an Audio-Visual Aids Committee is now functioning within the Education Division. This committee studies films available, previews others and evaluates them for use by our own organization.

### Co-operation with the Boards of the Church

For the past two years the total amount disbursed to the Treasurer of the United Lutheran Church was $1,415,544.73. By virtue of the primary purpose of our organization, the largest appropriations continue to be made to the Board of American Missions and the Board of Foreign Missions. Consequently the continually increasing appropriations during recent years because of increased cost of living have had to go in larger measure to these two boards. Increased co-operation may be noted in relation to all boards either directly financially or by more intensive promotion of the work of all boards.

With four boards the Society maintains personal relationships through women secretaries serving the boards. These secretaries serve as asociate member of the staff of the Women's Missionary Society and are advisory members of the Education Division. Miss Helen Shirk of the Board of Foreign Missions, and Miss Mildred Winston of the Board of Education, are advisory members of the Personnel Committee. Sister Mildred Winter has headed the Department of Deaconess Work and has served on committees of the Education Division. Mrs. Mabel B. Fenner is at present the chairman of the Education Division.

#### The Board of American Missions

Three funds provided by the Women's Missionary Society are administered by the Board of American Missions. The Church Extension Loan Fund now totals $314,651.16; a First Mortgage Loan Account, $100,000; a Parsonage Purchase Loan Fund, $87,499.96.

Salary aid for home mission pastors is given at the present time to 54 congregations. The Society budgets wholly or in part for work in Hawaii, Rocky Boy, the West Indies, the Southern Mountain work, and provides a travel fund for pastors in western Canada.

Women workers are being used in larger numbers in American Missions. Several have been engaged in survey work. One is a rural parish worker. One is assigned to a city parish which is staying to serve the community rather than move out. One will be assigned to western Canada. We hope that women workers in these new fields can be used efficiently and effectively.

#### The Board of Foreign Missions

All overseas fields continue on the budget of the Women's Missionary Society through this Board. The support of all women missionaries and the recommendation of candidates to this Board for appointment continue.

Films made in the churches abroad are financed and promoted jointly by the Board and Society.

In addition to the regular recurring budget items there have been a number of special items provided for reconstruction of buildings, expansion of institutions and the housing of missionaries.

Co-operation in the scholarship fund for foreign students is resulting in good promotion for the work of overseas churches here and in improved leadership for the churches themselves.

#### The Board of Social Missions

In addition to the continued support of Negro work in New York City, the Society has assumed the support through this Board of the work done at Ellis Island through Miss Isolde Eland.

In the budget also is an item for scholarships for graduate study in social work.

#### The Board of Education

A part of the appropriation to this Board is designated for Summer Service Projects for Students. We are encouraged by the values of this program to students, some of whom are or become women missionary candidates. Important in the work of this Board is the student census which is obtained through synodical secretaries of the Women's Missionary Society.

### THE BOARD OF DEACONESS WORK

In addition to the financial appropriation to this Board, the Society offers the promotional channel for the work of the Deaconess Board through synodical department secretaries directed by the promotional secretary of the Board.

### PARISH AND CHURCH SCHOOL BOARD

The appropriation to this Board has been increased to include the support of an educational missionary in eastern Canada, Miss Elfriede Hartig; continued support of the missionary in western Canada, Miss Eleanore Gillstrom; provision for a Secretary for Missionary Education, Mrs. Mabel B. Fenner, and appropriations toward the Sunday School Enlistment Program; contributions to Camp Nawakwa and literature are provided for.

### THE BOARD OF PENSIONS AND RELIEF

An appropriation of $10,000 is continued in the budget to this Board.

The revised Pension Plan for foreign missionaries worked out by the Board of Foreign Missions in conference with the Board of Pensions has been approved by the Society. There are now 12 women missionaries who receive pensions or disability allowances.

## Women Missionaries

The total number of women missionaries in the United Lutheran Church remains at the same figure of 89 as reported two years ago. Women workers in new work are being supported through the Board of American Missions, the Board of Social Missions, and the Parish and Church School Board. New Missionaries have been appointed to foreign fields. But marriages, resignations, retirements and withdrawals for health reasons have counterbalanced in number the new appointments.

Distributions by boards and fields are as follows:

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| Board of Foreign Missions | |
| Argentina | 1 |
| British Guiana | 3 |
| China | 3 |
| India | 32 |
| Japan | 14 |
| Liberia | 18 |
| | 71 |
| Board of American Missions | |
| West Indies | 3 |
| Konnarock | 7 |
| In special parish assignments | 4 |
| | 14 |
| Parish and Church School Board | 2 |
| Board of Social Missions | 2 |
| Total | 89 |

Those called and appointed, and those for whom support was assumed during the past two years are the following:

### BOARD OF AMERICAN MISSIONS

Ruth M. Zartman—November 1949
  Lebanon Business College, Lebanon, Pa.
  Deaconess Motherhouse, Baltimore, Md.
  Scarritt College Rural Center, Crossville, Tenn.
  Member Palm Lutheran Church, Palmyra, Pa.

Kay L. Moldenke—January 1950
  Hartwick College, Oneonta, N. Y., A. B.
  Biblical Seminary in New York
  Member Zion Lutheran Church, Pittsfield, Mass.

Lillian L. Hoover—June 1950
  Augustana Nursery, Chicago, Ill.
  Deaconess Motherhouse, Baltimore, Md.
  Susquehanna University, Selinsgrove, Pa.
  Member Hope Lutheran Church, Detroit, Mich.

Sister Bertha Becker—June 1950
University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario, Canada
Deaconess Motherhouse, Baltimore, Md.
St. James Lutheran Church, New Dundee, Ontario, Canada

### PARISH AND CHURCH SCHOOL BOARD

Elfriede C. M. Hartig—June 1950
Success Business College, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada
Deaconess Motherhouse, Baltimore, Md.
Member St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Winnipeg, Manitoba

### BOARD OF SOCIAL MISSIONS

Isolde Eland
Native of Estonia and an American Citizen
For about eight years Lutheran representative at Ellis Island
Support begun by the W.M.S. January 1949

### BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

#### *British Guiana*

Alice K. Anderson—January 1950
Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter, Minn., A.B.
Lutheran Bible Institute, Minneapolis, Minn.
Member Augustana Lutheran Church, Clearbrook, Minn.
Served as a missionary to China under the Augustana Ev. Lutheran Church for two terms
Appointed by U.L.C.A. Board of Foreign Missions for a two-year term

#### *Japan*

Ethel M. Akins—November 1949
University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minn., A.B.
Lutheran Bible Institute, Minneapolis, Minn.
Member Trinity Lutheran Church, Watertown, Minn. (Augustana)
Served as a missionary to China under the Augustana Ev. Lutheran Church for twenty-seven years
Appointed by U.L.C.A. Board of Foreign Missions as a special short period missionary

Esther P. Barnhart—February 1950
University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, N. Mex., A.B.
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich., A.M.
Biblical Seminary in New York
Member First English Lutheran Church, Columbus, Ohio

Elizabeth C. Huddle—April 1949
Lenoir Rhyne College, Hickory, N. C., A.B.
Biblical Seminary in New York
Member Kimball Memorial Lutheran Church, Kannapolis, N. C.

Marjorie M. Miller—April 1949
Lenoir Rhyne College, Hickory, N. C., A.B.
Biblical Seminary in New York
Member St. John's Lutheran Church, Tremont, Pa.

#### *Liberia*

Maebelle Hosterman—April 1949
Williamsport Hospital School of Nursing, Williamsport, Pa., R.N.
Philadelphia Motherhouse
Member St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church, Phoenixville, Pa.

### RETIREMENTS

Miss Frieda Strecker, after 42 years as an evangelistic missionary in China, returned to Germany in 1948 where she was retired after a well earned furlough on January 1, 1950. As one of the missionaries on the staff in the Mission in China which our Church bought from the Berlin Missionary Society after the first World War, Miss Strecker continued in faithful service remaining during World War II and working continuously with Chinese Christians.

Miss Mary Borthwick went to India as an educational and evangelistic missionary in 1912 and served until 1933 when illness in her family necessitated her return to America. She was reinstated as a missionary in 1936 and served until 1948 when she desired to return for another term of service, but for reasons of personal health it was advisable for her to retire.

Miss Clara Leaman will be retired in October, 1950 as a missionary to India. She served faithfully for 27 years as an educational and evangelistic missionary in a number of stations in the Andhra Church.

### RESIGNATIONS

Our Church is indebted to Miss Lydia Reich who pioneered in the medical work in Tsingtao, China, and who after being detained in this country because of the war resigned as a missionary.

Miss Catharine Stirewalt, who returned from China in 1949 and is now a member of the faculty of the Deaconess Training School in Baltimore, was consecrated as a deaconess on June 28, 1950.

Miss Kathleen Ragan, in China for less than a year as a new missionary, returned to America in December of 1948 and has resigned as a missionary. She is serving as a parish worker in Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Lincolnton, N. C.

Three missionaries who were married on the fields in which they were serving a first term are Evelyn Coovert in China, Virginia Hoover in Argentina, and Mildred Ernst in India.

### SUPPORT OF MISSIONARIES

Foreign women missionaries for whom support is provided by individuals, congregational groups, conference or synodical societies appear in the report of the Board of Foreign Missions.

Miss Frieda Hoh, serving under the Board of American Missions in Puerto Rico, is supported by the Ohio Synodical Society.

Miss Lorraine Wiggan, also serving in Puerto Rico, has been supported by St. Mark's Church, Washington, Illinois, and the Illinois Synodical Society.

Miss Eleanore Gillstrom, educational missionary in western Canada, serving under the Parish and Church School Board, is being supported by Mr. J. Edwin Eshleman and Miss Fannie E. Eshleman from San Diego, California.

## Interchurch Relationships

With the Augustana Women's Missionary Society co-operation has increased both in the use of personnel and financially. Five Augustana women missionaries are serving in our India Mission.

Total contributions to the work in India during the biennium were $51,142.54.

To assist our work in Japan, an Augustana missionary formerly in China, Miss Ethel Akins, has been loaned by the Augustana Board of Foreign Missions for service in the Girls' School in Kumamoto, Japan. Similarly, Miss Alice Anderson, also formerly in China, is now serving in our field in British Guiana.

A United Lutheran nurse, Miss Hazel Biederbeck, is now serving in Tanganyika, Africa, her salary provided by our Society through the Augustana Board of Foreign Missions.

Mrs. John Benson, now President of the Augustana Women's Missionary Society, serves as an advisory member of our Executive Board.

Interdenominationally, the Society continues to participate in the work of the Missionary Education Movement, the Home Missions Council and the Foreign Missions Conference of North America. Contributions are made also to the Union Christian Colleges in the Orient and the Student Volunteer Movement. Representation on the Boards and committees of these agencies is continued.

The Executive Board has expressed its desire to continue participation in the work which will be carried over into the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States if our Church votes favorably upon affiliation with the new agency.

### Some Observations

This auxiliary, growing numerically, should, if its present triennial objective becomes effective, improve in spiritual power. We pray that this may result. We pray too that our Church at large may be the benefactor. It is for this purpose that the organization exists. The boards of the Church turn to the Women's Missionary Society with requests for aid in meeting the opportunities open to them. We want to assist wherever possible. Synods, however, are making increasing requests for funds from synodical missionary organizations. This practice results in a limitation of the primary work of the Society. Were it not for the numerous projects now financed synodically by our constituent groups, our report to this convention would present a larger measure of co-operation in the work of the whole Church. We hope that in the future we may continue to carry out fully the objects of our Charter—"To disseminate information, to promote missionary education, and financially to aid the missionary operations of the Church through its regularly established boards."

### Official Roster

The official roster administering and promoting the work of the Society elected at the 1949 Convention is as follows:

#### OFFICERS

President—Mrs. C. W. Baker, Jr., 405 Kennedy Ave., Duquesne, Pa.
Vice-President—Mrs. F. P. Reiter, 2106 Sunny Vista Drive, San Jose, Calif.
Recording Secretary—Mrs. Charles A. Mathias, 517 Third St., Catasauqua, Pa.
Statistical Secretary—Mrs. John B. Moose, 1107 Duke Ave., Columbia 3, S. C.
Treasurer—Mrs. Margaret J. Miller, 715 Muhlenberg Bldg., 1228 Spruce St., Phila. 7, Pa

#### EXECUTIVE BOARD

Mrs. Edwin H. Boettger, 164 Cazenovia St., Buffalo 10, N. Y.
Mrs. Douglas A. Conrad, 10 Allen St., Halifax, Nova Scotia
Mrs. F. Lee Fresh, 813 Windsor Road, The Dingle, Cumberland, Md.
Mrs. John F. Futchs, 1515 Ninth St., Boulder, Colorado
Mrs. William Gillespie, 138 Frederick St., Kitchener, Ontario, Canada
Mrs. N. H. Kern, 1210 California St., Houston 6, Texas
Mrs. Karl W. Kinard, 2507 Canterbury Road, Columbia, S. C.
Mrs. Paul E. Knauss, 623 Windsor St., Marion, Ohio
Mrs. W. J. Moretz, 3605 Eleventh Ave. West, Bradenton, Fla.
Mrs. Chester Osborne, 1821 Windsor Ave. S.W., Roanoke 15, Va.
Mrs. M. F. Rheingans, 8140 Hillcrest Drive, Wauwatosa 13, Wis.
Mrs. E. R. Trexler, Mount Pleasant, North Carolina
Mrs. Allen K. Trout, 211 West Ninth St., Auburn, Indiana
Mrs. Roy L. Winters, 228 South Main St., Spring City, Pa.
Mrs. Henry O. Yoder, 1304 Hill St., Ann Arbor, Mich.

#### REPRESENTATIVE AUGUSTANA WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Mrs. John S. Benson, 131 N. Park Lane, Le Sueur, Minn.

#### STAFF

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Executive Secretary—Nona M. Diehl, Litt. D.

Secretary Education Division and Editor *Lutheran Woman's Work*—Mary E. Anstadt
Secretary for Promotion—Frances Dysinger, LL.D.

### ASSOCIATE STAFF MEMBERS

In co-operation with the Board of Education:
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In co-operation with the Board of Deaconess Work:
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In co-operation with the Board of Foreign Missions:
  Helen M. Shirk, 231 Madison Ave., New York 16, N. Y.
In co-operation with the Parish and Church School Board:
  Mrs. Mabel B. Fenner, 615 Muhlenberg Bldg., 1228 Spruce St., Philadelphia 7, Pa.

### DIVISIONS

Education Division—Mary E. Anstadt, Secretary
  Magazine Department—Mary L. Gruber, 704 Muhlenberg Bldg., 1228 Spruce St., Philadelphia 7, Pa. (Retiring August 1, 1950)
  Mission Study Department—Mrs. H. J. Goede, 1317 South 26th St., Omaha, Nebr.
  Appointed by Executive Board:
    Miss Karen Andersen, 4239 N. Kedvale Ave., Chicago 41, Ill.
    Mrs. Edwin Bracher, 4421 Francis Ave., Seattle, Washington
    Miss Josephine Darmstaetter, 823 Helen Ave., Lancaster, Pa.
    Mrs. Mabel B. Fenner, 362 Trevor Lane, Bala-Cynwyd, Pa.
    Mrs. Frank B. Herzel, St. Petersburg, Pa.
    Mrs. Virgil B. Sease, 1010 Berkeley Road, Westover Hills, Wilmington 67, Del.
    Mrs. Richard T. Sutcliffe, 519 Anderson Ave., Drexel Hill, Pa.
    Mrs. Walter A. Voss, 310 Nineteenth St., Sioux City 18, Iowa
    Dr. Emily J. Werner, 235 E. 49th Street, New York 17, N. Y.
  Advisory Members:
    Staff and Associate Staff
Promotion Division—Frances Dysinger, LL.D., Secretary
Special Gifts Division—Mrs. Margaret J. Miller, Treasurer
  Life Membership and In Memoriam Department:
    Mrs. J. E. Tepoorten, 2021 Carey Court, Madison, Wis.
  Patron and Protege Department:
    Mrs. C. C. Culp, 369 York St., Gettysburg, Pa.
  Special Aids Department:
    Miss Jane Norberg, 6424 N. Navajo Ave., Chicago 30, Ill.
  Thank Offering Department:
    Mrs. Earl F. Stoner, 1001 E. Willow Grove Ave., Philadelphia 18, Pa.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. C. W. BAKER, JR., *President*
MRS. CHARLES A. MATHIAS, *Recording Secretary*
NONA M. DIEHL, *Executive Secretary*

Mrs. Baker, after preliminary comments on the work of the Auxiliary which she heads, presented the following leaders: Mrs. Eduardo Roig, Puerto Rico; Mrs. C. S. Hayner, British Guiana; Mrs. Mae Keller, Liberia; Mrs. Eva Guequierre, Argentina; Miss Annie Powlas, Japan; and Mrs. W. Theodore Benze, India, who addressed the convention briefly.

Mrs. Baker presented Miss Frances Dysinger, promotion secretary of the Auxiliary, who said that she found a commanding summons to the Auxiliary in the 1,300 congregations in which there are not as yet organizations affiliated with the Women's Missionary Society.

Mrs. Margaret Miller, treasurer, was presented to the convention. The convention rejoiced to hear Mrs. Miller report that "92,000 women had raised $1,410,351 during the biennium."

Mrs. Baker presented Miss Nona M. Diehl, executive secretary, to the convention. Miss Diehl addressed the convention, telling of the Auxiliary's deep gratitude over the fact that its "venture in faith"—the departure from apportioning dues to synodical and local societies, and the reliance on free-will giving to produce the revenues needed for the projection of the society's work—had been a success.

In concluding the presentation of the report, Mrs. Baker declared that the Women's Missionary Society gladly and eagerly supports all the general and special causes of our Church, but that the Auxiliary's primary purpose as an organization is "to serve our Church in missions."

Mrs. Baker presented the report of the auditor (p. 754) and moved its adoption.

The motion was adopted.

## Proposed Budget for the Year 1951

### BOARDS OF THE CHURCH

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *Board of American Missions* | | $ 132,000.00 |
| Hawaii | $ 4,000.00 | |
| Rocky Boy India Mission | 6,000.00 | |
| Southern Mountain Work | 17,000.00 | |
| West Indies Work | 18,000.00 | |
| Western Canada Travel Allowance | 3,000.00 | |
| Salary Aid to Pastors | 50,000.00 | |
| Salaries and Allowances for Women Workers | 15,000.00 | |
| Addition to Loan Funds | 15,000.00 | |
| Church Extension—$10,000 | | |
| Parsonage Purchase—$5,000 | | |
| Expanded Work | 4,000.00 | |
| | $132,000.00 | |
| *Board of Deaconess Work* | | 6,000.00 |
| *Board of Education* | | 10,000.00 |
| *Parish and Church School Board* | | 13,500.00 |
| *Board of Pensions and Relief* | | 10,000.00 |
| *Board of Social Missions* | | 10,000.00 |
| *Board of Foreign Missions* | | 427,000.00 |
| Argentina | $ 9,000.00 | |
| British Guiana | 8,000.00 | |
| China | 9,000.00 | |
| Japan | 98,000.00 | |
| India | 200,000.00 | |
| Liberia | 59,000.00 | |

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|---|---|---|
| General Budget | 4,000.00 |  |
| Missionary to Tanganyika | 1,550.00 |  |
| Outfit Allowances | 2,000.00 |  |
| Rent Allowances | 2,400.00 |  |
| Retirement and Disability Allowances | 5,000.00 |  |
| Contributory Pensions | 5,000.00 |  |
| Medical Expenses | 1,550.00 |  |
| Foreign Students' Fund | 2,500.00 |  |
| Travel for Missionaries | 20,000.00 |  |
|  | $427,000.00 |  |
| Total to the Boards of the Church |  | $ 608,500.00 |
| *Interchurch Boards and Agencies* |  | 20,000.00 |
| Including Foreign Missions Conference; Home Missions Council; Christian Colleges in the Orient; etc. |  |  |
| *Education, Promotion and Administration* |  | 129,000.00 |
| Including salaries; pensions; office maintenance; board and committee expense; promotion travel; literature; *Lutheran Woman's Work* |  |  |
| *Specials or Expanded Work* |  | 22,500.00 |
| *Reserve for Contingencies* |  | 10,000.00 |
| Total |  | $ 790,000.00 |

EXHIBIT "A"

## THE WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

### Balance Sheet

*June 30, 1950*

*Assets*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *General Fund:* | | | |
| Cash in bank and on hand | | $172,338.00 | |
| Furniture and equipment | | 6,000.00 | |
| Investment in United States Government Obligations (Market value $30,158.12) | | 30,148.50 | |
| | | | $208,486.50 |
| *Special Funds and Designated Gifts:* | | | |
| Cash in bank and on hand | | $100,764.23 | |
| Investment in United States Government Obligations (Market value $44,493.76) | | 44,178.86 | |
| | | | 144,943.09 |
| *Annuity Fund:* | | | |
| Principal: | | | |
| Cash in bank (overdraft) | | $ (1,025.13) | |
| Investments: | | | |
| United States Government Bonds (Market value $91,563.75) | $ 95,000.00 | | |
| First mortgage fund—Board of American Missions | 100,000.00 | 195,000.00 | |
| | | | 193,974.87 |

Brackets ( ) denote red figures.

*Liabilities and Funds*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *General Fund:* | | |
| General fund | $208,087.30 | |
| Federal income taxes withheld from employees | 399.20 | |
| | | $208,486.50 |
| *Special Funds and Designated Gifts:* | | |
| Bequest and legacies | $ 1,610.86 | |
| Building and maintenance fund | 2,573.79 | |
| Audio-visual fund | 3,723.72 | |
| Matured annuities | 3,983.16 | |
| Special aids | 16,310.72 | |
| Designated gifts | 16,146.16 | |
| Funds reserved for future use | 100,594.68 | |
| | | 144,943.09 |
| *Annuity Fund:* | | |
| Principal | $192,550.00 | |
| Residuum on matured annuities reserved for future rents | 1,424.87 | |
| | | 193,974.87 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| *Trust Funds:* | | | |
| Principal: | | | |
| Cash in bank | | $ 7,284.47 | |
| Investments: | | | |
| Bonds (Market value $193,092.36) | $191,003.21 | | |
| Stocks (Market value $130,149.25) | 126,546.66 | | |
| Participation Certificates, Lycoming Trust Company, General mortgage fund | 335.21 | 317,885.08 | |
| | | $325,169.55 | |
| Income: | | | |
| Cash in bank | | 9,573.50 | |
| | | | 334,743.05 |
| Total assets | | | $882,147.51 |

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|---|---|---|
| *Trust Funds:* | | |
| Principal | $320,807.82 | |
| Reserve for loss fund | 4,361.73 | |
| | $325,169.55 | |
| Income: | | |
| Unexpended income | 9,573.50 | |
| | | 334,743.05 |
| Total liabilities and funds | | $882,147.51 |

EXHIBIT "B"

## Balance Sheet

*June 30, 1949*

### *Assets*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *General Fund:* | | | |
| Cash in bank and on hand | | $120,390.21 | |
| Furniture and equipment | | 6,000.00 | |
| Investment in United States Government Obligations (Market value $60,154.58) | | 60,148.50 | |
| | | | $186,538.71 |
| *Special Funds and Designated Gifts:* | | | |
| Cash in bank and on hand | | $126,794.73 | |
| Investment in United States Government Obligations (Market value $104,605.63) | | 104,000.00 | |
| | | | 230,794.73 |
| *Annuity Fund:* | | | |
| Principal: | | | |
| Cash in bank | | $ 2,052.30 | |
| Investments: | | | |
| United States Government Bonds (Market value $101,855.63) | $105,197.70 | | |
| First mortgage fund—Board of American Missions | 100,000.00 | 205,197.70 | |
| | | | 207,250.00 |

### *Liabilities and Funds*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *General Fund:* | | |
| General fund | $185,859.53 | |
| Christmas offering for Inter-Church purposes | 679.18 | |
| | | $186,538.71 |
| *Special Funds and Designated Gifts:* | | |
| Bequests and legacies | $ 1,207.61 | |
| Building and maintenance fund | 1,678.66 | |
| Triennial convention fund | 31,191.07 | |
| Audio-visual fund | 1,515.03 | |
| New missionaries fund | 73,561.03 | |
| Special aids | 19,355.12 | |
| Designated gifts | 1,691.53 | |
| Funds reserved for future use | 100,594.68 | |
| | | 230,794.73 |
| *Annuity Fund:* | | |
| Principal | $207,250.00 | |
| | | 207,250.00 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| *Trust Funds:* | | | |
| Principal: | | | |
| Cash in bank | | $ 2,546.06 | |
| Investments: | | | |
| Bonds (Market value $180,175.84) | $178,419.32 | | |
| Stocks (Market value $122,446.25) | 137,580.80 | | |
| Metropolis Building and Loan Association | **5,000.00** | | |
| Participation Certificates, Lycoming Trust Company, General fund | 335.21 | 321,335.33 | |
| | | $323,881.39 | |
| Income: | | | |
| Cash in bank | | 3,581.91 | |
| | | | 327,463.30 |
| Total assets | | | $952,046.74 |

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|---|---|---|
| *Trust Funds:* | | |
| Principal | $320,701.49 | |
| Reserve for loss fund | 3,179.90 | |
| | $323,881.39 | |
| Income: | | |
| Unexpended income | 3,581.91 | |
| | | 327,463.30 |
| Total liabilities and funds | | $952.046.74 |

## Notes to Balance Sheet

*June 30, 1950*

*General:* The accompanying balance sheet does not include as assets, funds held by The Board of American Missions of The United Lutheran Church in America in the Church Extension Loan Fund, and the Parsonage Purchase Fund. These funds have been provided from the budget of the Society over a period of years and are administered by The Board of American Missions. The balances in these funds at June 30, 1950 were:

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|---|---|
| Church Extension Loan Fund | $314,651.16 |
| Parsonage Church Loan Fund | 87,499.96 |
| | $402,151.12 |

EXHIBIT "C"

## Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

### Summary

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Cash balance, beginning of year | | $ 255,365.21 | | $ 207,928.52 |
| *Receipts:* | | | | |
| General fund | $885,103.89 | | $916,833.70 | |
| Special funds | 99,424.31 | | 116,859.13 | |
| Designated gifts | 57,999.26 | | 56,838.65 | |
| Annuity fund—principal | 10,197.70 | | 25,029.89 | |
| Annuity fund–income | 10,722.68 | | 11,442.38 | |
| Trust funds–principal | 129,919.76 | | 48,967.68 | |
| Trust funds–income | 15,269.32 | | 12,438.53 | |
| Total receipts | | 1,208,636.92 | | 1,188.409.96 |
| | | $ 1,464,002.13 | | $ 1,396,338.48 |
| *Disbursements:* | | | | |
| General fund | $833,156.10 | | $856,603.60 | |
| Special funds | 139,909.44 | | 119,693.15 | |
| Designated gifts | 43,544.63 | | 64,497.65 | |
| Annuity fund–principal | 13,275.13 | | 24,290.00 | |
| Annuity fund–income | 10,722.68 | | 11,442.38 | |
| Trust funds–principal | 125,181.35 | | 49,219.52 | |
| Trust funds–income | 9,277.73 | | 15,226.97 | |
| Total disbursements | | 1,175,067.06 | | 1,140,973.27 |
| Cash balance, end of year | | $ 288,935.07 | | $ 255,365.21 |
| *Distribution of Cash Balance:* | | | | |
| General fund | $172,338.00 | | $120,390.21 | |
| Special funds | 84,618.07 | | 125,103.20 | |
| Designated gifts | 16,146.16 | | 1,691.53 | |
| Annuity fund–principal | (1,025.13) | | 2,052.30 | |
| Trust funds—principal | 7,284.47 | | 2,546.06 | |
| Trust funds–income | 9,573.50 | | 3,581.91 | |
| Cash balance, end of year | | $ 288,935.07 | | $ 255,365.21 |

Brackets ( ) denote red figures.

EXHIBIT "D"

## Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

## General Fund

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| *General Fund* | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Receipts:* | | | | |
| General: | | | | |
| General fund dues | $ 22,680.20 | | $104,125.94 | |
| Thank offering | 338,692.93 | | 402,379.32 | |
| Life memberships | 50,282.00 | | 47,790.00 | |
| In memoriams | 14,990.00 | | 14,320.00 | |
| Undesignated contributions | 90,266.48 | | .... | |
| Contributions to Home Budget | 1,328.92 | | 4,975.75 | |
| Contributions to Foreign Budget | 2,469.12 | | 4,745.32 | |
| Contributions to Interdenominational Budget | 778.55 | | 168.17 | |
| Support of Missionaries | 71,913.74 | | 60,232.14 | |
| Patron and Protege Department: | | | | |
| Support of native workers | 22,565.67 | | 20,322.49 | |
| Scholarship and miscellaneous | 31,296.17 | | 31,744.95 | |
| | | $647,263.78 | | $690,804.08 |
| Education Division: | | | | |
| Sales: | | | | |
| Leaflets and booklets | $ 2,605.69 | | $ 2,261.48 | |
| Missionary education movement | 9,897.84 | | 10,723.99 | |
| Books | 3,106.74 | | 337.24 | |
| Program packets | 4,538.55 | | 4,416.78 | |
| "Week of Prayer" | 1,557.69 | | 1,423.15 | |
| Miscellaneous books and materials | 3,365.12 | | 3,915.13 | |
| | | 25,071.63 | | 23,077.77 |
| Magazine Department: | | | | |
| *Lutheran Woman's Work,* subscriptions, advertising and refunds | $ 48,289.43 | | $ 47,811.18 | |
| Convention bulletin | 495.78 | | 91.30 | |
| | | 48,785.21 | | 47,902.48 |
| Life Membership Department: | | | | |
| Cut fees | $ 335.25 | | $ 378.75 | |
| Sales of pins | 233.75 | | 164.50 | |
| | | 569.00 | | 543.25 |
| Other Receipts: | | | | |
| Sale of United States Government Bonds | $ 30,033.47 | | $133,400.00 | |
| Sale of office equipment | 48.00 | | 25.00 | |
| Interest on United States Government Bonds | 1,339.04 | | 870.36 | |
| Gain on India currency exchange | 2,000.00 | | .... | |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| Refunds on Audio-Visual Films | .... | | 1,515.03 | |
| Refund on purchase of car for India | 72.46 | | .... | |
| Scholarship grants | 816.44 | | .... | |
| Additional liquidating dividend on mortgage sold in prior year | .83 | | .... | |
| Taxes withheld from employees | 399.20 | | .... | |
| Transferred from other funds: | | | | |
| Special funds: | | | | |
| Triennial convention fund | 33,023.41 | | .... | |
| New Missionaries fund | 75,030.24 | | 10,118.56 | |
| For general purposes | 10,000.00 | | .... | |
| India lace industry | .... | | 800.00 | |
| Trust fund income | 3,151.18 | | 2,537.96 | |
| Trust funds principal | 7,500.00 | | .... | |
| Matured annuities | .... | | 980.00 | |
| Reserve for China | .... | | 2,370.77 | |
| Reserve for Japan | .... | | 1,888.44 | |
| | | 163,414.27 | | 154,506.12 |
| Total receipts | | $885,103.89 | | $916,833.70 |

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| *Disbursements:* | | | | | | |
| General: | | | | | | |
| Interdenominational causes | | $ 20,885.53 | | | $ 26,525.00 | |
| Triennial Emphasis promotion expense | | 497.91 | | | .... | |
| Triennial convention | | 41,708.58 | | | 692.24 | |
| Special aids | | 6,058.59 | | | .... | |
| | | | $ 69,150.61 | | | $ 27,217.24 |
| Boards of The United Lutheran Church in America: | | | | | | |
| Board of American Missions | | $146,144.50 | | | $126,876.97 | |
| Board of Deaconess Work | | 6,000.00 | | | 5,500.00 | |
| Board of Education | | 10,000.00 | | | 10,000.00 | |
| Board of Pensions and Relief | | 10,000.00 | | | 10,000.00 | |
| Parish and Church School Board | | 10,600.00 | | | 8,750.00 | |
| Board of Social Missions | | 11,250.00 | | | 10,000.00 | |
| Board of Foreign Missions: | | | | | | |
| Contributory pension plan—missionaries | $ 3,839.50 | | | $ 3,321.36 | | |
| Foreign students | 3,750.00 | | | 7,177.02 | | |
| Missionaries' allowances: | | | | | | |
| Outfits | 1,300.00 | | | 1,162.70 | | |
| Retirement and disability | 4,700.42 | | | 3,858.75 | | |
| Rent | 1,868.00 | | | 759.75 | | |
| Medical and miscellaneous | 1,634.33 | | | 1,194.57 | | |
| Argentina | 11,227.05 | | | 15,477.70 | | |
| British Guiana | 6,917.34 | | | 7,553.30 | | |
| China | 26,185.33 | | | 38,386.94 | | |
| India | 206,761.70 | | | 199,716.42 | | |
| Japan | 72,210.22 | | | 100,886.76 | | |
| Liberia | 63,010.85 | | | 55,864.40 | | |
| Protestant Film Commission | 2,100.00 | | | 2,100.00 | | |
| General | 3,884.09 | | | 3,600.00 | | |
| | | 409,388.83 | | | 441,059.67 | |
| | | | 603,383.33 | | | 612,186.64 |

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| Education Division: | $ 1,359.34 | | $ 3,259.09 | |
| Leaflets and booklets | 5,398.46 | | 8,023.64 | |
| Free leaflets | 3,450.87 | | 3,075.54 | |
| Program packets | 2,066.50 | | 2,239.53 | |
| "Week of Prayer" | 6,028.76 | | 7,396.00 | |
| Missionary education movement | 7,880.11 | | 3,385.56 | |
| Merchandise | 2,937.29 | | 599.94 | |
| Books | 2,617.23 | | 4,676.92 | |
| Shipping expense | 311,39 | | 381.72 | |
| Summer schools | | | | |
| | | 32,049.95 | | 33,037.94 |

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| Magazine department: | | | | |
| Printing *Lutheran Woman's Work* | $ 39,840.23 | | $ 47,300.95 | |
| Postage and miscellaneous | 2,856.67 | | 4,293.42 | |
| Convention bulletins | 597.08 | | 782.39 | |
| | | 43,293.98 | | 52,376.76 |
| Life Membership Department: | | | | |
| Pins and certificates | $ 3,107.62 | | $ 2,524.45 | |
| Supplements | 7,460.64 | | 8,598.38 | |
| Postage | 357.85 | | 674.40 | |
| | | 10,926.11 | | 11,797.23 |
| Administration: | | | | |
| Salaries: | | | | |
| Executive Secretary, Miss N. M. Diehl | $ 4,250.04 | | $ 4,250.04 | |
| Treasurer: | | | | |
| Miss A. D. Drewes (July 1, 1948 to November 15, 1949) | 1,500.00 | | 3,550.02 | |
| Mrs. M. Miller (January 1, 1950 to June 30, 1950) | 1,500.00 | | .... | |
| Education Division Secretary, Miss M. E. Anstadt | 3,600.00 | | 3,550.02 | |
| Secretary for Promotions, Miss F. Dysinger | 3,600.00 | | 3,550.02 | |
| Magazine Department Secretary, Miss M. L. Gruber | 2,859.96 | | 2,639.01 | |
| Office salaries | 22,867.45 | | 20,736.85 | |
| President's allowance | 300.00 | | 300.00 | |
| Expenses of Board and Committee meetings | 5,218.68 | | 9,494.27 | |
| Expenses of representatives at meetings | 3,779.34 | | 3,171.16 | |
| Office supplies and expenses | 3,415.93 | | 2,108.70 | |
| Rent | 7,213.92 | | 7,393.92 | |
| Telephone | 1,001.85 | | 651.65 | |
| Personnel committee expenses | .... | | 339.11 | |
| Pensions to retired employees | 1,405.00 | | 1,440.00 | |
| Expenses of officers and secretaries | 744.11 | | 903.53 | |
| Contributions to Lay Pension Plan | 1,439.39 | | 1,302.82 | |
| Accounting | 975.00 | | 950.00 | |
| City wage tax | 406.76 | | 430.80 | |
| Insurance | 53.56 | | .... | |
| Hospitalization | 5.30 | | .... | |
| Office reallignment | 137.73 | | .... | |
| Equipment and furnishings | 1,435.97 | | 740.70 | |
| Miscellaneous | 1,166.55 | | 166.41 | |
| | | 68,876.54 | | 67,669.03 |
| Promotion Division: | | | | |
| Travel | | 331.84 | | 189.48 |
| Other Disbursements: | | | | |
| Scholarship grants | $ 3,744.51 | | .... | |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| Foreign Missionary Conference | 30.00 | | .... | |
| Miscellaneous | 11.35 | | 8.34 | |
| Amortization of bond premium | 18.84 | | .... | |
| California inheritance tax paid on annuity | 371.94 | | .... | |
| Purchase of United States Government Bonds | .... | | 30,000.00 | |
| Transferred to other funds: | | | | |
| Annuity fund income | 967.10 | | 1,605.91 | |
| Reserve for India | .... | | 19,000.00 | |
| Audio-Visual fund | .... | | 1,515.03 | |
| | | 5,143.74 | | 52,129.28 |
| Total disbursements | | $833,156.10 | | $856.603.60 |
| Summary | | | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of year | | $ 120,390.21 | | $ 60,160.11 |
| Receipts | | 885.103.89 | | 916,833.70 |
| | | $1,005,494.10 | | $976,993.81 |
| Disbursements | | 833,156.10 | | 856,603.60 |
| Cash balance, end of year | | $ 172,338.00 | | $120,390.21 |

EXHIBIT "E"

## Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements
## Special Funds and Designated Gifts

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | 7/1/1949 to 6/30/1950 | 7/1/1948 to 6/30/1949 |
|---|---|---|
| *Special Funds:* | | |
| *Receipts:* | | |
| Triennial Convention Fund | $ 1,832.34 | $ 8,386.12 |
| Special aids | 14,217.74 | 16,415.10 |
| Bequests and legacies | 403.25 | 15,333.18 |
| Matured annuities—sales of securities | .... | 3,600.00 |
| Matured annuities | 7,879.11 | .... |
| New Missionary Fund | 1,391.10 | 2,793.43 |
| Building and maintenance fund | 895.13 | 712.38 |
| Audio-Visual Fund—from General Fund | 2,208.69 | 1,515.03 |
| Reserve for China | .... | 1,207.19 |
| Reserve for India | .... | 25,000.00 |
| Reserve for Japan | 500.00 | 18,888.44 |
| Reserve for Liberia | .... | 23,008.26 |
| Sale of United States Government Bonds | 70,078.11 | .... |
| Amortization of bond premiums received from General Fund | 18.84 | .... |
| Total receipts | $ 99,424.31 | $116,859.13 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| Matured annuities | $ 3,895.95 | $ 9,850.00 |
| Bequests and legacies | .... | 40,262.99 |
| Triennial Convention Fund | .... | 426.19 |
| New Missionary Fund | .... | 10,118.56 |
| Special aids | 7,262.14 | 13,526.20 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Building and Maintenance Fund | .... | 4,450.00 |
| India Lace Industry | .... | 800.00 |
| Reserve for China | 500.00 | 21,370.77 |
| Reserve for Japan | .... | 18,888.44 |
| Purchase of United States Government Bonds | 10,197.70 | .... |
| Transferred to General Fund: | | |
| New Missionary Fund | 75,030.24 | .... |
| Triennial Convention Fund | 33,023.41 | .... |
| For general purposes | 10,000.00 | .... |
| Total disbursements | $139,909.44 | $119,693.15 |

*Summary:*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Cash balance, beginning of year | $125,103.20 | $127,937.22 |
| Receipts | 99,424.31 | 116,859.13 |
| | $224,527.51 | $244,796.35 |
| Disbursements | 139,909.44 | 119,693.15 |
| Cash balance, end of year | $ 84,618.07 | $125,103.20 |

*Designated Gifts:*

*Receipts:*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Board of American Missions | $ 2,895.27 | $ 2,224.91 |
| Board of Foreign Missions | 46,946.92 | 52,768.87 |
| Other Boards and miscellaneous | 8,157.07 | 1,844.87 |
| Total receipts | $ 57,999.26 | $ 56,838.65 |

*Disbursements:*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Board of American Missions | $ 1,847.99 | $ 2,463.16 |
| Board of Foreign Missions | 38,870.79 | 59,885.18 |
| Miscellaneous | 2,825.85 | 2,149.31 |
| Total disbursements | $ 43,544.63 | $ 64,497.65 |

*Summary:*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Cash balance, beginning of year | $ 1,691.53 | $ 9,350.53 |
| Receipts | 57,999.26 | 56,838.65 |
| | $ 59,690.79 | $ 66,189.18 |
| Disbursements | 43,544.63 | 64,497.65 |
| Cash balance, end of year | $ 16,146.16 | $ 1,691.53 |

EXHIBIT "F"

## Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

## Annuity Fund

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | 7/1/1949 to 6/30/1950 | 7/1/1948 to 6/30/1949 |
|---|---|---|
| *Annuity Fund—Principal:* | | |
| *Receipts:* | | |
| Proceeds from sale of bonds | $ 10,197.70 | $ 25,000.00 |
| Amortization of bond premiums | .... | 29.89 |
| Total receipts | $ 10,197.70 | $ 25,029.89 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| Purchase of bonds | .... | $ 20,000.00 |
| Matured annuities | $ 1,000.00 | 1,550.00 |
| Transferred to other funds: | | |
| General trust funds | 3,450.00 | 640.00 |
| General and special funds | 7,879.11 | 980.00 |
| Annuity fund income | 946.02 | 1,120.00 |
| Total disbursements | $ 13,275.13 | $ 24,290.00 |
| *Summary:* | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of year | $ 2,052.30 | $ 1,312.41 |
| Receipts | 10,197.70 | 25,029.89 |
| | $ 12,250.00 | $ 26,342.30 |
| Disbursements | 13,275.13 | 24,290.00 |
| Cash balance, end of year | $(1,025.13) | $ 2,052.30 |

*Annuity Fund—Income:*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *Receipts:* | | |
| Interest from mortgage fund—<br>Board of American Missions | $ 3,262.08 | $ 3,400.59 |
| Interest on United States Government bonds | 2,600.00 | 2,674.37 |
| Transfers from other funds: | | |
| Matured annuities | 946.02 | 1,120.00 |
| General trust fund income | 2,947.48 | 2,641.51 |
| General fund | 967.10 | 1,605.91 |
| Total receipts | $ 10,722.68 | $ 11,442.38 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| Interest to annuitants | $ 10,722.68 | $ 11,412.49 |
| Amortization of bond premiums | .... | 29.89 |
| Total disbursements | $ 10,722.68 | $ 11,442.38 |
| *Summary:* | | |
| Cash balance, July 1 | .... | .... |
| Receipts | $ 10,722.68 | $ 11,442.38 |
| | $ 10,722.68 | $ 11,442.38 |
| Disbursements | 10,722.68 | 11,442.38 |
| Cash balance, June 30 | .... | .... |

EXHIBIT "G"

## Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements
## Trust Funds
*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | 7/1/1949 to 6/30/1950 | 7/1/1948 to 6/30/1949 |
|---|---|---|
| *Trust Funds—Principal:* | | |
| *Receipts:* | | |
| Sale of bonds | $ 32,580.84 | $ 37,368.17 |
| Sale of stocks | 84,289.64 | 4,322.93 |
| Jessie Brewer Fund—Addition of income to principal | 156.33 | 125.07 |
| Sale of Metropolis Building and Loan Association shares | 5,000.00 | .... |
| Bequests and legacies | 3,000.00 | 5,000.00 |
| Matured annuities | 3,450.00 | 640.00 |

Brackets (    ) indicate overdraft

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Reserve for loss fund: | | |
| Net profit on sales of investments | 1,181.83 | 1,210.78 |
| Amortization of bond premiums from income fund | 261.12 | 300.73 |
| Total receipts | $129,919.76 | $ 48,967.68 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| Purchase of bonds | $ 49,861.94 | $ 33,637.19 |
| Purchase of stocks | 67,819.41 | 15,582.33 |
| Transfer of Catherine Anna Dussell Fund to General Fund | 7,500.00 | .... |
| Total disbursements | $125,181.35 | $ 49,219.52 |
| *Summary:* | | |
| Cash balance, July 1 | $ 2,546.06 | $ 2,797.90 |
| Receipts | 129,919.76 | 48,967.68 |
| | $132,465.82 | $ 51,765.58 |
| Disbursements | 125,181.35 | 49,219.52 |
| Cash balance, June 30 | $ 7,284.47 | $ 2,546.06 |

*Trust Funds—Income:*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *Receipts:* | | |
| Income from investments: | | |
| United States Government bonds | $ 4,707.42 | $ 2,333.38 |
| Corporation bonds | 2,552.50 | 3,183.33 |
| Corporation stocks | 7,984.40 | 6,664.89 |
| Metropolis Building and Loan Association | 25.00 | 175.57 |
| Participation certificate interest | .... | 6.36 |
| Repayment of scholarship grant | .... | 75.00 |
| Total receipts | $ 15,269.32 | $ 12,438.53 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| Endowment of hospitals | $ 2,352.19 | $ 1,887.91 |
| Endowment of schools | 709.41 | 576.29 |
| Endowment of scholarships | 2,205.00 | 3,021.39 |
| Lederer-Lantz trust funds | .... | 6,037.76 |
| Other trust funds | 89.58 | 105.57 |
| General trust fund income to annuity fund for deficit | 2,947.48 | 2,641.51 |
| Jessie Brewer Trust Fund income added to principal | 153.15 | 125.07 |
| Investment charges | 559.80 | 530.74 |
| Amortization of bond premiums transferred to principal | 261.12 | 300.73 |
| Total disbursements | $ 9,277.73 | $ 15,226.97 |
| *Summary:* | | |
| Cash balance, July 1 | $ 3,581.91 | $ 6,370.35 |
| Receipts | 15,269.32 | 12,438.53 |
| | $ 18,851.23 | $ 18,808.88 |
| Disbursements | 9,277.73 | 15,226.97 |
| Cash balance, June 30 | $ 9,573.50 | $ 3,581.91 |

### Fund Reconcilation—Reserve for Loss Fund

EXHIBIT "H"

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | 7/1/1949 to 6/30/1950 | 7/1/1948 to 6/30/1949 |
|---|---|---|
| Balance, beginning of year | $ 3,179.90 | $ 1,969.12 |
| Net profits on sale of securities | 1,181.83 | 1,210.78 |
| Balance, end of year | $ 4,361.73 | $ 3,179.90 |

SCHEDULE I

## Investments

### General and Special Funds

*June 30, 1950*

| Par Value | BONDS | Interest Rate | Maturity Date | Cost Value June 30, 1950 | Redemption Value June 30, 1950 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| $10,000. | United States Treasury | 2¼% | 12/15/59-62 | $ 10,178.86 | $ 10,121.88* |
| 34,000. | United States Treasury | 2½% | 12/15/67-72 | 34,000.00 | 34,371.88* |
| 30,000. | United States Treasury Notes, Series "B" | 1¼% | 7/1/51 | 30,000.00 | 30,000.00* |
| 25. | United States Savings, Series "F" | | 11/1/54 | 18.50 | 21.52 |
| 50. | United States Savings, Series "F" | | 11/1/56 | 37.50 | 40.45 |
| 25. | United States Savings, Series "F" | | 9/1/57 | 18.50 | 19.65 |
| 25. | United States Savings, Series "F" | | 3/1/58 | 18.50 | 19.40 |
| 25. | United States Savings, Series "F" | | 5/1/58 | 18.50 | 19.40 |
| 50. | United States Savings, Series "F" | | 11/1/59 | 37.00 | 37.70 |
| | | | | $ 74,327.36 | $ 74,651.88 |

*Distribution to Funds:*

| | Cost Values | Market Values |
|---|---|---|
| General fund | $30,148.50 | $ 30,158.12 |
| Special fund, | | |
| Special funds reserved for future use, China | 44,178.86 | 44,493.76 |
| | $ 74,327.36 | $ 74,651.88 |

SCHEDULE II

## Investments

### Annuity Fund

*June 30, 1950*

| Par Value | BONDS | Interest Rate | Maturity Date | Cost Value June 30, 1950 | Redemption Value June 30, 1950 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| $ 5,000. | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | 1/1/55 | $ 5,000.00 | $ 4,805.00 |
| 5,000. | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | 3/1/55 | 5,000.00 | 4,805.00 |

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*Market value

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 5,000. | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | 7/1/56 | 5,000.00 | 4,760.00 |
| 15,000. | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | 11/1/56 | 15,000.00 | 14,280.00 |
| 10,000. | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | 5/1/57 | 10,000.00 | 9,490.00 |
| 10,000. | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | 6/1/57 | 10,000.00 | 9,490.00 |
| 15,000. | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | 3/1/58 | 15,000.00 | 14,205.00 |
| 10,000. | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | 3/1/59 | 10,000.00 | 9,510.00 |
| 20,000. | United States Treasury | 2½% | 12/15/67-72 | 20,000.00 | 20,218.75* |
| | | | | $ 95,000.00 | $ 91,563.75 |

SCHEDULE III

### Investments

### Trust Funds

*June 30, 1950*

| Par Value | BONDS | Interest Rate | Maturity Date | Cost Value June 30, 1950 | Market Value June 30, 1950 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| $10,000. | American Telephone and Telegraph Company, 10 year, convertible debenture | 2¾% | 12/15/57 | $ 10,552.10 | $ 11,225.00 |
| 5,000. | Atchison, Topeka and Sante Fe Railway Company general mortgage | 4% | 10/1/95 | 5,329.50 | 6,325.00 |
| 5,000. | Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, first mortgage | 4-5% | 7/1/75 | 5,000.00 | 4,150.00 |
| 1,000. | Chicago and Western Indiana Railroad, first and refunding sinking fund | 4¼% | 9/1/62 | 1,016.07 | 1,040.00 |
| 5,000. | Columbus and Southern Ohio Electric Company, first mortgage | 3¼% | 9/1/70 | 5,342.70 | 5,393.75 |
| 5,000. | Gulf States Utilities Company, debenture | 3% | 1/1/69 | 5,041.52 | 5,212.50 |
| 10,000. | Missouri Pacific Railroad Company, first and refunding mortgage, Series "F" (coupons 9/1/42 and thereafter attached) | 5% | 3/1/77 | 8,046.75 | 9,700.00 |
| 5,000. | Oregon-Washington Railroad and Navigation Company, first and refunding, Series "A" | 3% | 10/1/60 | 5,104.00 | 5,125.00 |
| 5,000. | Pacific Gas and Electric Company, first and refunding, Series "L" | 3% | 6/1/74 | 5,364.50 | 5,212.50 |
| 5,000. | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | 12/1/53 | 5,000.00 | 4,850.00* |
| 5,000. | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | 3/1/54 | 5,000.00 | 4,835.00* |
| 5,000. | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | 8/1/54 | 5,000.00 | 4,820.00* |

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*Redemption value

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 5,000. | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | 11/1/54 | 5,000.00 | 4,820.00* |
| 21,500. | United States Treasury | 2% | 9/15/50-52 | 21,576.16 | 21,547.03 |
| 25,000. | United States Treasury | 2¼% | 12/15/59-62 | 25,588.49 | 25,304.69 |
| 16,000. | United States Treasury | 2½% | 6/15/67-72 | 16,405.53 | 16,180.00 |
| 33,000. | United States Treasury | 2½% | 12/15/67-72 | 33,136.16 | 33,360.94 |
| 9,000. | United States Treasury Bills | .... | 8/10/50 | 8,973.45 | 8,973.45 |
| 4,000. | Washington Water Power Company, first mortgage | 3½% | 6/1/64 | 4,395.04 | 4,255.00 |
| 10,000. | Westinghouse Electric Corporation, debenture | 2.65% | 7/1/73 | 10,131.24 | 10,762.50 |
| | | | | $191,003.21 | $193,092.36 |

| Shares | STOCKS | Cost Value June 30, 1950 | Market Value June 30, 1950 |
|---|---|---|---|
| 100 | American Cyanamid Company, common | $ 4,460.31 | $ 6,775.00 |
| 17 | American Cyanamid Company, cumulative convertible 3½% preferred | 1,734.00 | 1,831.75 |
| 225 | American Gas and Electric Company | 9,017.28 | 10,912.50 |
| 100 | C. I. T. Financial Corporation | 6,671.33 | 5,475.00 |
| 100 | Consumers Power Company, common | 3,540.83 | 3,137.50 |
| 50 | Consumers Power Company, $4.50 preferred | 5,325.50 | 5,625.00 |
| 70 | Corn Products Refining Company | 4,588.24 | 4,550.00 |
| 200 | General Foods Corporation | 10,066.61 | 9,850.00 |
| 100 | General Motors Corporation | 6,022.74 | 8,750.00 |
| 30 | Guaranty Trust Company of New York | 8,988.00 | 8,580.00 |
| 200 | Hershey Chocolate Corporation | 8,865.27 | 8,250.00 |
| 200 | Houston Lighting and Power Company | 8,016.82 | 10,400.00 |
| 100 | International Paper Company, cumulative 4% preferred | 10,627.80 | 10,650.00 |
| 300 | Kansas City Power and Light Company | 9,378.00 | 7,875.00 |
| 100 | Montgomery Ward Company | 5,307.33 | 5,400.00 |
| 50 | Panhandle Eastern Pipeline Company 4% cumulative preferred | 5,350.00 | 5,300.00 |
| 200 | Public Service Electric and Gas Company | 4,242.85 | 4,550.00 |
| 100 | Standard Oil Company of Indiana | 3,837.50 | 4,750.00 |
| 100 | Union Pacific Railroad Company, 4% non-cumulative preferred | 5,406.25 | 5,112.50 |
| 50 | Universal Pictures Company Incorporated, 4¼% preferred | 5,100.00 | 2,375.00 |
| | | $126,546.66 | $130,149.25 |

## Accountant's Certificate

The Women's Missionary Society
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

We have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of The Women's Missionary Society of The United Lutheran Church in America for the years ended June 30, 1950 and June 30, 1949. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying balance sheets and statements of cash receipts and disbursements present fairly the financial position of the Society as at June 30, 1950 and June 30, 1949, and the results of its operations for the years then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding biennium.

Tait, Weller & Baker,
*Certified Public Accountants*

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
July 24, 1950

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The Rev. John L. Deaton presented the report of the Board of Education, including the report on the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal.

Dr. Deaton said that the keynote of the Board's report is gratitude. The Board's thanksgivings result from the glorious triumph achieved in the CHEY appeal. In this connection and after an ascription of praise and thanksgiving to God, Dr. Deaton paid tribute, on behalf of his Board, to the CHEY Directing Committee, expressing very especial appreciation of the wise guidance and unflagging zeal of President Franklin Clark Fry and General Director Rees Edgar Tulloss, to the regional directors, to the synodical executives and to synodical directors, to pastors and congregations.

Dr. Deaton introduced the Rev. David H. Bremer, who described the encouraging developments and new procedures in the sphere of enlistment for Christian vocations.

Dr. Deaton presented Miss Mildred E. Winston and paid tribute to her 22 years of devoted and able service to the Church. Miss Winston described the increasing effectiveness of the summer service projects sponsored by the Board of Education, and pointed out how important this program is in encouraging the participants to respond to Christian vocations.

Dr. Deaton presented the Rev. Gould Wickey, Executive Secretary of the Board of Education, who in turn introduced the presidents of ULCA colleges and seminaries who had been inaugurated in the course of the biennium.

The convention greeted: the Reverend Morris Wee, Carthage College; the Reverend Voigt R. Cromer, Lenoir Rhyne College; the Reverend John Hampson Fray, Marion College; Dr. H. Sherman Oberly, Roanoke College; Dr. C. C. Stoughton, Wittenberg College; the Reverend E. Bryan Keisler, Central Seminary; the Reverend Jonas H. Dressler, Northwestern Seminary; and the Reverend Earl J. Treusch, Saskatoon Seminary.

Dr. Wickey described several of the special services rendered by the Board of Education to the colleges and seminaries of the Church. With characteristic earnestness and enthusiasm he called on the Church to intensify its devotion to the maintenance of the distinctive Christian culture of our institutions of higher learning. He pointed out the spiritual meaning of all campus relationships, and averred that they all come under the judgment of the Christian way of life. Dr. Wickey found in the success of the CHEY appeal a fresh mandate to our schools to maintain high academic standards in the environment of strong Christian convictions.

Executive Secretary Wickey then introduced the report of the Board of Education and the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

(*For action on the recommendations in this report, see pp. 811-812, 1047, 1054-1055*)

### For Christian Leaders Tomorrow

The biennium, 1948-1950, will be known in the history of The United Lutheran Church in America for its special emphasis on Christian higher education. After the action of the Church in 1948 designating 1950 as the year for a special financial effort, slowly but surely the organization of the Church began to be geared in that direction. Evangelism was not neglected; in fact, special evangelistic efforts were made throughout the Church. Missions at home and abroad were not neglected; in fact, more funds and efforts were used to expand the missionary program. Works of mercy were given renewed attention, lest we forget. In making the theme of this 1950 convention the same as that of the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal, *"For Christian Leaders Tomorrow,"* the Executive Board recognized the special part which Christian higher education has played in the biennium and its vital part in the whole program of the whole Church.

The Board of Education has always tried to keep in mind the bearing which its work has on other phases of the Church's program. It is generally recognized today, if not generally admitted, that in the organizational life of the Church, education is the radiating center which reaches into, molds, and stimulates all other expressions of the work of the Church. The success of the Church's educational program will be manifested in the type and caliber of the spiritual leaders, officials, representatives and lay workers of the Church. And the reverse is equally true. For this basic reason the Board of Education is interested in the success and expansion of the whole program of the Church.

This great responsibility is keenly felt; this high privilege is humbly accepted. As a partial exhibit of some of the service rendered and planned, and as a channel for the reports from the seminaries and colleges, in accordance with constitutional requirements, the Board of Education presents this biennial report to the Church.

### I. Working With the Institutions

#### 1. Report on the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal

A. *Historical Background*

The Erie (1928) convention of the United Lutheran Church voted, "That the Board of Education give all possible aid in making Education Year a complete success." Pursuant to this action, the Board of Education called together the presidents of our colleges and seminaries at the December meeting of both 1928 and 1929. The 1928 meeting authorized the appointment of an Advisory Campaign Committee, composed of three members of the Board of Education and four college presidents. The officers selected were: chairman, Rees E. Tulloss, President of

Wittenberg College, and secretary, Gould Wickey, President of Carthage College.

The whole matter of educational campaigns was considered at the meeting of the synodical presidents, in Harrisburg, January 8, 1930. Several resolutions were unanimously adopted by the synodical presidents, chief among them, resolved, "that we, the presidents of the synods of the United Lutheran Church in America, assembled in conference in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, on January 8, 1930, hereby record our deeply felt realization of the urgency of the situation, and hereby express our approval of the plans looking toward campaigns throughout the whole Church on behalf of our educational institutions."

At the 1930 convention of our Church, the Board of Education reported that due to a series of events over which our institutions had no control, it was not possible to have all campaigns conducted during 1930, as had been planned originally. The institutions were hoping to spread them through 1930 and 1931. The total sum sought in the campaign was more than $7,000,000.

But at its meeting on October 8, 1931, the Executive Board took the following action:

> "Whereas, We are passing through a period of economic distress of unprecedented severity, which is creating serious problems for many persons among our constituency, and it would seem impractical to undertake procedures looking toward the gathering of large sums through campaigns for special purposes,
>
> "Be it *Resolved*, That in cases where it is desired, we grant institutions and synods contemplating such campaigns the privilege of deferring the opening of these campaigns until such time as general conditions may show improvement, perhaps even as late as the year 1935.
>
> "Be it further *Resolved*, That in cases where such postponement may create a serious or dangerous financial situation for an institution which has been depending upon the results of the expected campaign, it is suggested that such institutions and their supporting synods confer as to the means by which the minimum current needs of the institutions may be met during the period of postponement of campaigns."

Repeatedly and constantly from 1931 to 1945 laymen and pastors expressed the desire for a church-wide educational emphasis, including a financial campaign. Early in 1946 inquiry was made as to the possibility of assigning 1948 as Education Year. The Board of Education was informed that 1948 had been preempted for a double-the-apportionment effort. Accordingly, the Board of Education brought to the 1946 convention a recommendation requesting but not specifying an Education Year. As finally adopted, after extensive discussion, the recommendation reads:

> That, *since* the national welfare demands educational institutions, independent of the state and dominated by a spiritual purpose;
>
> *since* all Lutheran colleges and seminaries should be superior, with faculties of high standing, facilities adequate for effective work, and curricula sufficient to advance the whole program of the whole Church; and
>
> *since* in some cases local and synodical support should be supplemented by aid and support from the Church-at-large,
>
> the Church approve a Christian Higher Education Year to obtain funds for the substantial strengthening of our colleges and seminaries, the date and details of procedure being left in the hands of the Executive Board and the Board of Education for report at the 1948 convention.

After the 1946 convention, the Executive Board and the Board of Education appointed committees to function as a Joint Committee to prepare the details of procedure. Those representing the Executive Board were: Franklin Clark Fry, P. D. Brown, Charles B. Foelsch, J. J.

Scherer, and Charles M. A. Stine. Those representing the Board of Education were: John L. Deaton, H. H. Bagger, Millard E. Gladfelter, F. R. Knubel, R. S. Seeger, and Gould Wickey. The Committee was organized with President Franklin Clark Fry as chairman, and Executive Secretary Gould Wickey as secretary. It was this Committee which prepared the Plan for the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal, adopted by the Church at the 1948 convention. The thoroughness of this Committee's work, as manifested in the Plan, was a large factor in developing confidence and a willingness to attempt the Appeal. This was shown by the significant vote with which the Appeal was approved.

Prior to 1946, the Board of Education had obtained data on the needs and problems of our colleges and seminaries, including endowment, buildings, and indebtedness. At the December 1946, meeting of the Board of Education, the presidents (or their representatives) of the colleges and seminaries conferred and discussed various aspects of the proposed Education Year.

It was finally decided to limit the Appeal to the needs for buildings, although synods could decide to include other items. The secretary of the Christian Higher Education Year Committee was directed to confer with the officials of the colleges and seminaries, and whenever possible and convenient, to include in the conference trustees and synodical representatives. All material thus obtained and much additional data were considered carefully by the Joint Committee. The measured judgments of the Joint Committee, the Executive Board, and the Board of Education were presented in the plan adopted by the Church at the Philadelphia (1948) convention. (See Minutes, United Lutheran Church in America, 1948, pp. 353-358.)

B. *Direction of the Appeal*

The Church assigned to the Board of Education "full responsibility for the direction and management of the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal," and empowered the Board of Education "to employ an executive director of the Appeal and to appoint such committees from the Church-at-large as may be necessary."

Immediately after the 1948 convention of the Church, the officers of the Board of Education called together a Preliminary Study Committee for the purpose of preparing suggestions for the consideration of the Board, to implement the Plan of CHEY which the Church approved. The meeting on November 11, 1948, was attended by President Franklin Clark Fry, Rev. John L. Deaton, Henry Beisler, Rev. Earl S. Erb, Millard E. Gladfelter, Rev. L. Boyd Hamm, Rev. Joseph D. Krout, Rev. W. Carl Satre, C. C. Stoughton, Rev. R. E. Tulloss, Rev. A. G. Weng, Rev. Paul C. White, and Rev. Gould Wickey.

Under the chairmanship of Dr. Deaton, the Committee heard the significance of the Appeal for the Church, and then discussed problems related to cultivating the field, organizing the forces, and gathering the fruit. A group of suggestions were prepared for action of the Board of Education.

As the Directing Committee of the Appeal, the Board of Education selected the Rev. Franklin Clark Fry, D.D., Rev. Gould Wickey, Ph.D., Rev. Wynne C. Boliek, D.D., Rev. John L. Deaton, D.D., Rev. Earl S. Erb, D.D., Rev. Charles B. Foelsch, Ph.D., Millard E. Gladfelter, Ph.D., Rev. Joseph D. Krout, D.D., C. C. Stoughton, LL.D., Rev. R. E. Tulloss, Ph.D., Rev. A. G. Weng, Ph.D., and Miss A. Barbara Wiegand. With the passing of Dr. Joseph D. Krout, the Rev. Dwight F. Putman, D.D., was selected to take his place.

The Directing Committee organized itself by selecting Franklin Clark Fry as chairman, and Gould Wickey as secretary.

C. *Special Interpretations of The Plan*

During the months of preparation, the Directing Committee discovered a few points at which the Plan for the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal, as adopted by the Church in 1948, needed special interpretation. As a matter of information, those interpretations are herewith recorded:

*Total Contribution*

That the Directing Committee, on behalf of the Board of Education, request the Executive Board to interpret Section IX.C of the CHEY Plan, as follows: That the words "total contribution" mean "the total undesignated contributions." (Minutes, December 21, 1948)

The Executive Board at its meeting Jan. 26-27, 1949 approved: "the interpretation of Section IX, (c), of the CHEY plan made by the Directing Committee, namely that the words "total contribution" mean "the total undesignated contributions," and also voted, "That the Executive Board express its hope that the Directing Committee will stress the general cause of our educational institutions rather than the special designation of gifts for individual institutions."

*Amendment of Article IX, section c*

That Article IX, section (c) of the Plan be amended by adding the words, "as set forth in Schedule A of the Plan" after the word "fund" and before the words, "all designations of contributions, etc." (Minutes, June 10, 1949)

*Increased Expenses Resulting from Increased Goals*

That the Executive Board be requested to interpret the intent of Paragraph VIII, c, of the Christian Higher Education Year Plan as applying to the expenses involved in the ingathering of the assigned synodical quotas as set forth in Schedule A of the Plan (except as modified according to Paragraph XI) with the understanding that where a synod sets an appeal goal for itself higher than its total assignment in Schedule A and in consequence increases expenses above those which would normally be involved in the CHEY Appeal in that synod, the question of a fair division of the total CHEY expense in such synod be considered in conference between the Directing Committee of Christian Higher Education Year and the appropriate synodical officials in the interest of equitable treatment of all synods in the matter of expense allocation. (Minutes, June 10, 1949)

The Executive Board at its meeting on August 11, 1949 voted: "That the Executive Board approve the interpretation of IX, (c), proposed by the Directing Committee of CHEY.

*Special Congregational Contributions*

That, in cases where a congregation has been making stated contributions to an institution, and desires to continue these contributions during 1950 and 1951, as a surplus above the congregational CHEY quota, and these can be accepted by the institution concerned for use for capital purposes, the privilege of crediting such contributions to CHEY be granted. (Minutes, Feb. 27, 1950)

The following sections of this report relate to the carrying forward of the Appeal itself, and have been prepared for the most part by the General Director, Dr. Rees Edgar Tulloss.

D. *Plan of Procedure*

Beginning in the spring of 1949, the major attention of those responsible for the conduct of the Appeal was given to the preparation of a general plan of procedure which would promise the widest participation and the most satisfactory ultimate results. The problem involved the consideration of the necessary organization on the various levels—in the general church, and in synods, conferences, districts, and congregations. The most important item was the preparation of a procedure to be used by the local congregation.

With full realization of the need for a sound foundation and recognition of the fact that "a campaign is won or lost before it begins," study was given, with an earnestness and thoroughness which was somewhat exceptional, to the question of a wise local procedure.

Months were spent in gathering the necessary preliminary data and in seeking the counsel of the best informed men in this field in the country. Studies were made of other appeals, both successes and failures. Where they succeeded, the reasons for success were sought. Where they failed, the reasons for failure were sought just as earnestly.

As the Plan began to take shape, it was subjected to the scrutiny of skilled and experienced critics—men whose experience and judgment qualified them to criticize or commend as the Plan deserved.

All the information that could thus be gathered was revised and adjusted in the light of the attitude and spirit of the United Lutheran Church. It was sought to prepare a plan that would be our own, fitted to our needs, workable in our constituency.

Finally, the tentatively completed Plan was placed before a large number of the leaders of our Church. These men considered it in its details, with fresh view, and from the standpoint of the field. Further and final revisions were then made in the light of criticisms and suggestions thus received.

It was sought to present, as the recommended procedure, a plan which (a) was of the church, by the church, and for the church; (b) in its essential features had been tested by experience and proven sound; (c) recognized "individual differences" and special situations, and which allowed for necessary adaptations; and (d) was designed to secure the larger benefits of the Appeal.

It was recognized that while the financial benefits of the Appeal were of great importance, other values were of even greater significance, and perhaps even more lasting.

The description of the procedure thus worked out was presented in a booklet, *The Plan of Action for the Local Congregation.* This 24-page booklet has long since become familiar to our pastors and to tens of thousands of lay workers.

The results of the use of the suggested "Plan of Action" have justified the time and energy spent in its preparation. The majority of our congregations have used the Plan. In almost every case where the Plan was used, the response of the congregation has equalled or exceeded its quota.

E. *Organization of Forces*

While the above was being accomplished, steps were taken to provide the organization necessary for the conduct of a church-wide Appeal.

The total area was divided into five regions—Eastern, Southern, Central, Western, and Canada. Within each of the four first named, a Regional Director was chosen. In Canada, the Regional Director centered his efforts largely within the territory of the Canada Synod, and the special work in the Nova Scotia and Western Canada Synods was in charge of the Synodical Directors.

The Regional Directors, all of whom served on a full-time basis for longer or shorter periods were as follows:

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| Eastern | —Rev. Paul Dieckman |
| Southern | —Rev. A. Kenneth Hewitt, D.D. |
| East Central | —Rev. W. Carl Satre, D.D.<br>—Rev. Paul Lottich, Assistant Director |
| Western | —Rev. L. H. Steinhoff, D.D. |
| Canada | —Rev. W. A. Mehlenbacher |

A carefully chosen Synodical Director was appointed in each synod, the directors in the larger synods serving on a full-time basis.

In most of the synods the territory was divided into organizational units, usually upon the basis of existing conferences. These, in turn, were divided into districts.

In each synod, an Appeal Committee was appointed, made up of both pastors and laymen, and including in most cases the officers of synod and of conferences, the Synodical Director, and others.

Appeal committees were also set up in each conference and in each district, with an Appeal Chairman, in most cases a pastor, taking general charge of the work in the specific territory assigned to him.

The following is a list of the Synodical Directors:

*Eastern Region*

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| New York | Rev. E. K. Strebel, 132 E. 54th St., New York 22, N. Y. |
| Min. of Pa. | Rev. Wm. O. Moyer, 7301 Germantown Ave., Philadelphia 19, Pa. |
| Central Pa. | Rev. G. E. McCarney, D.D., 508 Harry St., Conshohocken, Pa. |
| Maryland | Dr. Raymond Seeger, 11 Wetherill Road, Westmoreland Hills, Washington 16, D. C. |
| Pittsburgh | Rev. George C. Reese, Thiel College, Greenville, Pa. |
| Slovak Zion | Rev. J. A. Billy, 1370 Washington Ave., Northampton, Pa. |

*Southern Region*

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| Virginia | Rev. M. S. Lange, 21 N. Lewis St., Staunton, Va. |
| North Carolina | Rev. Ross Ritchie, Lexington, N. C. |
| South Carolina | Rev. F. W. Brandt, 63 Carolina St., Charleston 20, S. C. |
| Georgia-Ala. | Rev. John Yost, Jr., 736 E. Victory Dr., Savannah, Ga. |
| Florida | Rev. H. V. Kahlenberg, 2347 Woodlawn Circle W., St. Petersburg, Fla. |
| Mississippi | Rev. H. A. Wolff, 812 N. 8th St., Laurel, Miss. |

*Central Region*

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| West Virginia | Rev. Luther Hare, Oakland, Md. |
| Ohio | Rev. Paul Lottich, 1342 Sylvania Ave., Toledo 12, Ohio |
| Indiana | Rev. Paul Renz, 263 Oakwood St., Hammond, Ind. |
| Michigan | Rev. C. F. Stickles, D.D., 2228 Lakeview Ave., Detroit 15, Mich. |
| Kentucky-Tenn. | Rev. Roger Imhoff, 325 Shawnee Drive, Louisville 12, Ky. |
| Illinois | Rev. H. J. McGuire, 77 W. Washington St., Chicago 2, Ill. |
| Wartburg | Rev. G. Gieschen, 622 Hannah Ave., Forest Park, Ill. |
| Iowa | Rev. Frederick Ludwig, Postville, Iowa |
| Northwest | Rev. Paul Graf, 100 E. 22nd St., Minneapolis 4, Minn. |

*Western Region*

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| Nebraska | Mr. H. G. Wellensiek, First National Bank Bldg., Grand Island, Nebr. |
| Midwest | Rev. F. W. Bloch, 1300 N. Robinson, Oklahoma City, Okla. |
| Kansas | Rev. W. W. Alexander, 17th and Ann Sts., Kansas City, Kan. |
| Rocky Mountain | Rev. L. C. Soker, 202 N. Girard, Albuquerque, N. M. |
| Texas | Rev. F. E. Eilers, Rt. 1, Schulenberg, Tex. |
| Pacific | Rev. Lloyd E. Jacobsen, 7109 S.E. 31st Ave.. Portland 2, Ore. |
| California | Rev. Ross Hidy, 332 Alcatraz Ave., Oakland 9, Calif. |

*Canada Region*

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| Canada | Rev. J. H. Reble, Waterloo College, Waterloo, Ont., Canada |
| Nova Scotia | Rev. Douglas A. Conrad, 10 Allen St., Halifax, Nova Scotia |
| W. Canada | Mr. Alex Graf, 308 31st St., W., Saskatoon, Sask., Canada |
| Icelandic | Rev. E. H. Fafnis, Mountain, N. Dak. and Mr. Herman Arason, Glenboro, Manitoba, Canada |

Too much praise cannot be given to these chosen leaders for the devotion and efficiency with which they carried on their work. They were the men whose sphere of influence reached the local congregations where the issue of the Appeal was to be decided.

In line with the provisions of the "Plan of Procedure," in the majority of the congregations of the U.L.C.A., special Appeal Committees were set up in charge of the work in the local field each under the leadership of a carefully selected congregational chairman.

The whole working organization in the Appeal numbered tens of thousands. It was without doubt the greatest concerted movement in the history of our Church.

### *The Central Office*

The Central Office began operations with one man and one secretarial worker. As the Appeal gained momentum, it was necessary to secure a staff of clerical workers. By October 1949, there was need for the appointment of someone to have special charge of the office, including the mailing and shipping division, etc. As of that date, Rev. J. Henry Meyer began his work as Office Manager. It has been due to his careful oversight that the vast work of mailing the millions of pieces of literature, caring for the shipment of supplies, etc., has been effectively carried out.

### F. *Cultivation of the Field*

### *Publicity*

In the early summer of 1949, the office of the Director of Publicity was filled by the election of Rev. Paul E. Valentiner, of Cudahy, Wisconsin, who began his full-time service for the Appeal on July 1.

The extent of his work and the contribution thus made to the success of the Appeal will be indicated by a reference to a briefly summarized report of printed material distributed, as presented to the Directing Committee at its meeting on May 19, as follows:

1. *Materials previously reported or considered*

All materials considered and approved by the Directing Committee were printed and distributed, except for small quantities held for later use. Among these materials are:

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| Plan of Action | 80,000 | copies |
| Case Book, 18 editions | 1,010,000 | ” |
| Rotogravures | 1,000,000 | ” |
| Subscription Cards | 1,250,000 | ” |
| Offering Envelopes | 3,000,000 | ” |
| “Why” Folder | 450,000 | ” |
| Hoh, Fry, Tulloss folders—400,000 of each— | 1,200,000 | ” |
| April CHEY NEWS | 175,000 | ” |
| Free Sunday Bulletin, March 26 | 600,000 | ” |
| Dime Offering Cards | 100,000 | ” |
| Commissioning Service | 4,000 | ” |
| Reprint of March Stewardship Bulletin | 125,000 | ” |
| Everett Mitchell Letter | 25,000 | ” |
| Last-Minute Pep Letter | 50,000 | ” |
| Statement Blanks | 100,000 | ” |

2. *New Materials Under Consideration*

Small folder—*To Make Victory Secure*

Additional Statement Blanks for future payment dates.

3. Newspapers and clippings arriving at Headquarters seem to indicate fairly wide Appeal publicity. The U.L.C.A. News Service filed a number of wire stories which were picked up by newspapers in many of the larger cities. Releases were sent to pastors for local newspaper use.

Many of these found their way into print. Most of the educational institutions arranged for rotogravure and feature story releases in Sunday paper supplements. Those institutions which conducted an Appeal on their campuses received wide publicity about it.

Synodical papers and all U.L.C.A. publications, particularly *The Lutheran,* have been most generous in the amount of space devoted to the Appeal. Pastors have given a great deal of publicity to the Appeal in parish papers and church bulletins. Reports indicate the Prayer for Christian Higher Education on the back cover of the April 23 Sunday bulletin, prepared at our request by Dr. E. E. Flack, was widely used.

The Hewitt Broadcast over the 105 southern station network on April 16 was heard widely. Pastor Henry B. Luffberry spoke of the Appeal during the NBC Easter morning telecast from Tabernacle Church, in Philadelphia. Favorable comments from many sections of the country have been received regarding both the broadcast and the telecast.

Even this report does not reveal the extensiveness or variety of the service performed by those in the Publicity Office. These included the handling of news releases, writing and editing thousands of words of copy, recording and transcribing addresses, assembling of speakers' material, provision of materials for use in Sunday schools, arranging for photographs and art work, designing and distributing congregational service award, compilation of reports, contracting for all printed materials, provision of publicity aids (mimeo inserts, rubber stamps, stickers, identification tags, electros), purchase of office machines, and general assistance to Directors.

Early in the Appeal the Directing Committee authorized Mr. Henry Endress, U.L.C.A. Stewardship Secretary, to prepare script, and proceed with the filming of a sound motion picture for use in the Appeal. The film, subsequently entitled, *The Difference*, was completed in the early fall of 1949 and was shown widely throughout the entire Church. Hundreds of complimentary statements gave evidence of the important part the picture played in the success of this great effort. Mr. Endress also supervised the distribution of the film in all of the synods.

### *General Meetings*

In the fall of 1949, regional meetings were set up, at which the attendance of all general Appeal workers and as many pastors from the various territories as could be accommodated were invited to be present. The places, dates, and attendance of these important regional meetings were as follows:

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| Springfield, Ohio | Oct. 20-21 | 263 present |
| Philadelphia, Pa. | Nov. 8-9 | 449 present |
| Chicago, Ill. | Nov. 15-16 | 250 present |
| Omaha, Nebr. | Nov. 17-18 | 129 present |
| Charlotte, N. C. | Nov. 22-23 | 300 present |

Prior to this, two meetings of a somewhat similar character were held in the Canada Synod.

These regional gatherings were followed within a reasonable time by Appeal meetings on the conference and district level, in which, along with pastors of congregations within the territory, many laymen representing the local Appeal committees, church councils, etc., were present.

In the local congregations, the Appeal message was brought to our people in sermons by the pastors, through the church bulletins, the distribution of literature, and through the messages of invited guest speakers, often the synodical, conference or district chairmen.

### *Progress*

As is true of every great financial effort, the CHEY Appeal had to make its way gradually. While there was little opposition, there was, at the beginning, a lack of enthusiasm, and a general atmosphere of uncertainty and even futility. It is probably true that a year ago the great majority of our pastors and members, even those who felt the importance of the Appeal and who were ready to support it as fully as possible, were doubtful as to its success.

It has been a thrilling experience to observe the way in which this attitude has gradually changed to one of determination, hopefulness, confidence, and finally joy in anticipated achievement.

### G. *Gathering the Fruit*

The information about our seminaries and colleges has already developed more interest in them. Individuals, heretofore indifferent to the cause, have been awakened to the vital significance of Christian higher education in the work of the Church.

It is not possible as yet to present statistically the detailed information which will later be made available. At the time this report is written, there is good ground for expecting that the final response of our Church to the Appeal will be one of generous oversubscription.

The reported results at various dates since the first summary was prepared, indicate a gradual approach toward the goal:

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| April 15 | $ 865,789 |
| May 1 | $2,865,595 |
| May 15 | $4,695,010 |
| May 31 | $5,356,004 |
| June 15 | $5,595,238 |
| June 30 | $5,801,274 |

The results, by synods, as of October 7, 1950, and as presented to the Church in convention:

CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION YEAR APPEAL RESULTS

| | *Response Reported October 7, 1950* | |
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| | *Amount* | % |
| Central Pennsylvania | $ 759,879 | 84 |
| Maryland | 244,795 | 89 |
| Pennsylvania Ministerium | 1,107,313 | 96 |
| New York | 679,820 | 91 |
| Pittsburgh | 450,000 | 100 |
| Slovak-Zion | 20,000 | 100 |
| East Total | $3,261,807 | 92% |
| Florida | $ 15,318 | 102 |
| Georgia-Alabama | 36,746 | 136 |
| Mississippi | 2,006 | 100 |
| North Carolina | 676,234 | 369 |
| South Carolina | 168,740 | 128 |
| Virginia | 118,251 | 111 |
| South Total | $1,017,295 | 218% |
| Illinois | $ 282,702 | 104 |
| Indiana | 124,646 | 114 |
| Iowa | 87,027 | 102 |
| Kentucky-Tennessee | 45,673 | 147 |
| Michigan | 163,499 | 340 |
| Northwest | 289,474 | 88 |
| Ohio | 556,845 | 133 |
| Wartburg | 47,185 | 54 |
| West Virginia | 26,063 | 100 |
| Central Total | $1,623,114 | 116% |
| California | $ 114,089 | 155 |
| Kansas | 46,502 | 98 |
| Midwest | 66,820 | 89 |
| Nebraska | 117,329 | 127 |
| Pacific | 23,108 | 84 |
| Rocky Mountain | 19,626 | 112 |
| Texas | 24,600 | 73 |
| Western Total | $ 412,074 | 113% |
| Caanda | $ 219,500 | 167 |
| Icelandic | 1,200 | 10 |
| Nova Scotia | 11,675 | 69 |
| Western Canada | 35,756 | 65 |
| Canada Total | $ 268,131 | 125% |
| Special | 175,000 | |
| Grand Total | $6,757,421 | 112.6% |
| New Jersey | 122,575 | 56% |

*A Personal Word*

Dr. Tulloss concludes his report with this personal word:

"The General Director would here record his gratitude for the privilege of serving in the Appeal. He has for long decades believed with his whole heart in the importance of Christian Higher Education. He believes in this cause more deeply today than ever before. It brings him joy, as it must bring joy to every pastor and layman of our United Lutheran Church, that so great a forward step has now been taken in the matter of church interest and church support of this fundamental phase of the Church's activity."

The Board of Education takes considerable humble but justifiable pride in presenting this section of its report to the Church. Initiated through the vision of a few, approved with much questioning, organized with remarkable attention to details, carried on with determination and faith, climaxed with confidence, the Appeal has given the Church a new sense of strength and mission and has contributed much to the ongoing programs of our seminaries and colleges. Sincere thanks from the Board of Education is expressed to the officials of the Church and of the synods, who entered into the Appeal wholeheartedly, to the Directing Committee for its wise direction, to the General Director for his willingness to attempt the unachieved and his untiring zeal and masterful leadership, to the Central Office Staff for its faithful service, to the Director of Publicity, the Regional and Synodical Directors, most of whom labored without compensation and with much sacrifice, for their effective and significant service, to staffs of boards and agencies who co-operated and manifested interest, and to all pastors and laymen who in any way contributed to the ultimate success of the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal. (*See Recommendations, 1-3.*)

### 2. Service of the Board

During the biennium most of Mr. Wickey's time was devoted to matters directly related to the CHEY Appeal. He was given responsibility for gathering information from the seminaries and colleges, conferring with their officials, making studies, preparing materials for speakers and printed folders, as well as attention to certain details for the Directing Committee. In addition, he found time to visit meetings of faculties and boards of directors and to participate in the solution of their problems. Preparation of first drafts of constitutions and by-laws for seminaries and colleges occupied considerable time.

Since September 1949, all the colleges were visited by Secretaries Bremer and Winston, giving particular attention to the counseling programs and the quality and extent of the student personnel services being offered. Five colleges have a full-time student counselor with special training for this work. Faculty members are encouraged to engage in counseling, but the Staff believes there should be some one on each faculty to whom special problems can be referred and to whom students can go for specialized help.

The financial grants to the seminaries and colleges for the biennium amounted to $233,500. This figure is smaller than the amounts given in the two previous biennia when $295,995 and $244,410 were given in regular and special grants. In the light of increased costs of living and of materials for maintenance, and the service to a greatly increased number of students, the Church must realize that our schools must not be penalized in the funds necessary to carry on their programs.

*Educational News* is a mimeographed news bulletin, now in its twentieth year, prepared for the information of administrative officials, faculty and board members of the seminaries and colleges. It has been found to be of value in preparing programs for various groups in the congregations.

### 3. Reports of the Institutions

The seminaries and colleges report to the Church through the Board of Education. Data on enrollments and finances are obtained on blanks especially prepared for the purpose. This information is organized and summarized in following sections. Important events, facts and trends are noted below for the information and historical record of the Church.

*Distinctive Christian Activities in College Programs*

*CARTHAGE*—Activities include Christian Emphasis Week; college chapel; daily meditation groups in dormitories; religious council, co-ordinating body for Religion and Life program. Religious organizations include the Lutheran Student Association; Y.W.C.A.; Philocristos Society (pretheological); Y.W.M.S. Future plans include strengthening the entire program by proper symbol of the Christian emphasis on a college campus, namely, a chapel . . . to introduce Christian cell groups.

*GETTYSBURG*—The bulk of the Christian activities on the campus is carried on by the Student Christian Association . . . Special emphasis in February on Religion-in-Life Week marked by enthusiasm of student body . . . Leadership training courses may be the foundation of courses for religious education. The Student Christian Association Projects planned by the following committees: worship, music, Christian heritage, social service, radio, publicity, recreation, and Religion-in-Life. The leadership training course begun early in 1949 will probably be carried through again in 1950.

*HARTWICK*—Religious and social orientation at Freshman camp; introduction of new students to local churches by upperclassmen; religious counseling; Religious Emphasis Week; annual Christian Career conferences; a cappella choir, radio, choir; men's chorus; religious drama; student deputation teams; Lutheran and ecumenical intercollegiate student conferences. Future plans include laboratory school of religious education; work camps.

*LENOIR RHYNE*—Academic activities; Religious Education department; Christian faculty; students trained for full-time Christian service; extracurricular activities. Student organizations of religious character include: Diakonian Club; Y.W.C.A.; Sunday school and Luther League; Lutheran Student Association; Religious Council which sponsors annual Religious Emphasis Week; and other denominational organizations. Faculty and students assist in general public appeals: American Red Cross; Cancer Research; World Student Service Fund. Future plans include sponsoring two displaced students.

*MARION*—Daily chapel services; two required Bible courses. The student body sponsors a missionary society. The active Y.W.C.A. provides for a series of religious activities. Sunday church attendance required. A wholesome religious atmosphere has been built up and religious activities and services are accepted by the faculty and student body as a natural part of college life.

*MIDLAND*—Activities include: Christian Emphasis Week with personal conferences; Christian Career conferences; L.S.A. meeting each Sunday evening; S.C.A. (Y.M. and Y.W.) for non-Lutherans; students trained in Christian activity in Lutheran Student Ashram; Leadership Training Conference of the L.S.A.; also the Leadership Training Conference of the S.C.A. (the president of the L.S.A. Midwest Region and chairman of the S.C.A. of Nebraska elected from Midland campus); Palm Sunday breakfast held with L.S.A. of Dana and Luther Colleges; deputation-enlistment teams. 1949-50 Christian student organizations guaranteed support of a DP student to the extent of $200. Improvement of programs planned for future.

*MUHLENBERG*—To guide freshmen in Christian faith and life in all its implications, special hour chapel for freshmen is conducted once a week. Five weekly and Sunday morning services held. Christian Association is vital in student life at every point of faith, conduct, and practical service. In the fall, 1949, sophomores had six hours Bible instruction in Old and New Testaments; Senior Ethics increased from two to three semester hours.

*NEWBERRY*—Curriculum offerings: courses in Bible (8 semester hours) required for all degrees; courses in religion; religious education, for parish workers and secretaries. Chapel: required and directed by a joint student-faculty committee . . . Denominational and interdenominational groups; ministerial student group. Miscellaneous activities: student religious counselor in co-operation with the Student Service Committee of the N.L.C.; religious radio program from college studio; religious emphasis periods, fall and spring; delegations to student regional conferences. Part-time religious counselor will strengthen present activities.

*ROANOKE*—All candidates for a degree are required to take a six-semester hour course in religion, based on the Old and New Testaments. Special services are held: Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter. The offerings are given to local charities; to CARE parcels for Europe, and World Student Service Fund. Religious Emphasis Week program is planned by the Religious Cabinet, consisting of student representatives from each religious organization. Affiliation is maintained with area, regional, and national groups, including delegates to L.S.A.A. Ashram.

*SUSQUEHANNA*—Christian activities now in program are required Bible courses; stimulating chapel services. Student Christian Association assists in fall orientation and trains Christian leaders under Commissions: programs, stewardship, international religious and social welfare. A faculty committee, chosen by the Student Christian Association Cabinet, stands ready to serve as counselors of the Cabinet or other students in their religious life. They with the President and the Lutheran pastor are sources of counseling. Future plans include additional counseling service and a new chapel building.

*THIEL*—Compulsory chapel attendance with noticeably good spirit of co-operation . . . encouraging interest in Bible courses . . . personal interest on part of local pastors encourages regular Sunday attendance . . . conferences with preministerial students by seminary representatives . . . strong Lutheran Student Association . . . *Messiah* presented by chorus . . . Thiel Players present religious plays. The radio is used for religious presentations. Thiel students raised $700 which was distributed equally between Lutheran World Action and a World Student Service Fund.

*WAGNER*—Full-time chaplain . . . daily chapel services; full-year course in Bible required; active church membership required of each faculty member . . . Student Christian Association activities include: effective citizenship; Christian action; Sunday school to released time teaching; playground supervision to young people's work; Campus Community Chest —$1,900 for charitable agencies . . . Campus Sunday school for children of faculty and student veteran homes . . . Regular bus service to local churches. Future plans include writing of textbook and inauguration of a new course required of all students on the theme, "The Christian Way of Life."

*WATERLOO*—Chapel service and required courses in biblical literature; L.S.A. and Student Christian Movement organization sponsor noon-day discussion periods and Life Service Conference. Tentative plans are made for Lutheran high school student conference and college chorus and broadcast.

*WITTENBERG*—The most distinctive part of the program lies in the choice of the faculty on the grounds of Christian faith as well as scholastic ability. The service motive permeates the activities of the college Y.W. and F.M.F. Through these organizations the religious activities program is carried on in addition to the chapel, Religious Emphasis Week and Christian Career conferences.

### *Changes in Administration*

*Central Seminary* elected the Rev. E. B. Keisler, S.T.D. as acting president for the year 1949-1950, and president beginning June 1950. The Rev. Thomas Rinde, D.D.

had served for several years as dean of Western Seminary, the predecessor of Central. Dr. Rinde continues as professor of Historical Theology.

*Northwestern Seminary* reports the retirement of Dr. Paul L. Roth as president and the election of Professor Jonas Dressler as his successor in 1950. Dr. Roth continues as professor of Historical Theology. Dr. J. J. Raun, professor of Systematic Theology, was elected dean of the seminary, succeeding Dr. Dressler.

*Saskatoon Seminary:* The Rev. N. Willison, Litt.D. retired as president, effective August 31, 1949, after serving in that capacity for thirteen years. The Rev. Earl J. Treusch, S.T.M., pastor of the First Lutheran Church, Humberstone, Ontario, Canada, was elected president effective September 1950.

*Carthage College:* President Erland Nelson, Ph.D. resigned as president, effective September 15, 1949, and was succeeded by the Rev. Morris Wee, Ph.D., in January 1950. Dr. Wee was the Executive Secretary of the Student Service Division of the National Lutheran Council. Dr. Nelson became professor of Education at the University of South Carolina.

*Lenoir Rhyne College:* President P. E. Monroe, D.D. retired June 30, 1949, having served as president since July 1, 1934, and as acting president in 1925-26. He was named President Emeritus. As his successor the Board elected the Rev. Voigt R. Cromer, D.D., president of the North Carolina Synod, effective July 1, 1949. He was inaugurated April 18, 1950.

*Marion College:* President Henry Horn resigned, effective June 1, 1949, to accept a pastorate in Augusta, Georgia. He had completed his fifth year of service. The Rev. John H. Fray, D.D. was elected president effective June 15, 1949, and was inaugurated in connection with the commencement exercises on May 27, 1950. He had been pastor of the Lutheran Church, Shephardstown, West Virginia.

*Roanoke College:* President C. J. Smith, D.D. retired in June 1949 after serving twenty-nine years. As his successor the Board elected Dr. H. Sherman Oberly, Dean of Admissions, University of Pennsylvania. He was inaugurated April 14, 1950, with President Harold Stassen of the University of Pennsylvania as the speaker.

*Wittenberg College:* Dr. C. C. Stoughton became the eighth president on September 1, 1949, and the first lay president in Wittenberg's 104 years. He succeeded the Rev. Rees Edgar Tulloss, Ph.D. who retired August 31, 1949, after 29 years of service. Dr. Stoughton was Stewardship Secretary of The United Lutheran Church in America, and the Executive Director of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement for Stewardship. He was inaugurated October 21, 1949.

### *Enrollment Situation*

In October 1949 the seminaries reported an enrollment of 470, which is 14 per cent higher than was reported in October 1948, when the figure was 412. It is 70.9 per cent higher than was reported in October 1946, when the figure was 275. The non-Lutherans number 23, or 5 per cent. Last year there were 30 non-Lutherans, or 7.8 per cent. The Post-Graduate divisions report a total enrollment of 131, compared to 90 in 1948, an increase of more than 45 per cent. The non-Lutherans in graduate courses number 19 this year, as compared to 17 for the previous year.

The 14 colleges reported a total enrollment in October 1949 of 10,510, as compared to 11,144 in 1948, a decrease of 11.2 per cent. Most of this decrease is accounted for by one college including a large number of part-time students in the 1948 figure. During the past two years the number of Lutheran students was 39.9 per cent. This figure ought to be raised very much. The Lutheran enrollment in 17 non-U.L.C.A. colleges is 70.7 per cent. Lutheran students should have a priority in registration with due consideration to academic standards. For the year 1949-50 the college registrations included 12 per cent Methodist, 11.8 per cent Catholic, 8.6 per cent Presbyterian, 6.3 per cent Baptist and 4.3 per cent Episcopalian. These percentages have remained somewhat the same during the past twenty years, except that for the Catholics, which has doubled.

Carthage College continues to maintain the first rank for percentage of Lutherans enrolled with 66.2 per cent. Midland College ranks second with 62.7 per cent. In 1945 these two colleges enrolled 70 per cent and 65.9 per cent Lutherans, respectively.

It had been anticipated that the enrollments in the colleges would level off for a period of years, that the students at seminaries would increase for a year or two, and then the number would remain somewhat the same for a period of years. The development of war in Korea is bound to affect the enrollment situation very markedly. The extent of the effect will be determined by the pressure for enlistments and the age bracket for drafting. Whatever the enrollments may be, these schools need the prayers and support of the Church in order that we may have Christian leaders tomorrow for God and country.

### *Academic Developments*

The summer school has grown in size and in significance. At the Chicago Seminary the faculty finds the students most serious. In colleges, summer schools are no longer places for the failing student to make up work or for students who have nothing else to do. Better work is done during the summer than by the students during the regular academic year. In both Lutheran and non-Lutheran colleges the summer school has taken on the status of another term, whereby the degree may be obtained in three rather than four years.

In the colleges the objectives point more definitely towards the obligations of citizenship and social relations. While the four major professions of the ministry, medicine, law and teaching are stressed through basic courses preparing for professional studies in these fields, the point of view is social rather than individual. For example, theological seminaries prepare pastors to preach the gospel to the individual man and woman, but they also enable the pastor to see the parishioner in his social relations, tensions, and pressures.

While international and world conditions call for a review of educational objectives, global education too frequently forgets or neglects conditions in the neighborhood. It is so easy to speak in glowing terms of one's interest in the unseen Korean and to despise one's neighbor in the same block or on the next street. Christian colleges and seminaries can do much to give the true perspective. They make a difference in preparing Christian leaders for tomorrow.

### *Matters of Record*

*Central Seminary* (Fremont, Nebr.) is the successor of Western Seminary, a department of Midland College. Central became an institution in its own right on June 1, 1949, with its own Board of Directors, Charter, Constitution and By-Laws. The Rev. George P. Krebs was the first president of the new board.

*Chicago Seminary* announced the election of the Rev. Robert R. Fischer, Th.D., Assistant Pastor of Zion Lutheran Church, Sunbury, Pennsylvania, to the chair of Christian History. He started work during July 1949 . . . Dr. Arthur Voobus from the University of Estonia, and also the Baltic University (in exile) was installed as Professor of New Testament.

*Gettysburg Seminary:* Under the leadership of Professor H. D. Hoover, the forty wives of students meet twice a month to discuss such problems as The Model Marriage, How To Meet People, What We Lutherans Believe, Religious Art, Religious Symbols, and Counseling.

*Hamma Divinity School:* Professor T. A. Kantonen during a six-month leave of absence visited Europe under the auspices of the Church of Finland and the National Lutheran Council in co-opera- with the American Military Government. . . . Under the chairmanship of Professor Amos J. Traver, a Visual Aids Workshop was held on the campus during a two-day post-Lenten meeting intended to inform pastors how to utilize visual aids in their congregations.

*Northwestern Seminary:* The Rev. A. C. Ahlen, Ph.D. became a full-time professor in September 1949. He had been an instructor for a number of years.

*Philadelphia Seminary:* At the 1949 commencement was revealed the name of the donor of more than $100,000 for the erection of the Krauth Memorial Library Building and the cataloguing of the collection. The donor wished his name to be anonymous during his lifetime. A tablet has as part of an inscription: "In grateful remembrance — B. Frank Weyman 1842-1919 . . ." . . . The Seminary Auxiliary reached a membership of more than 10,000 and adopted as a project the renovation of "North Dormitory" in the amount of $30,000 . . . After 16 years of service in the library, Miss Winifred V. Eisenberg resigned in June 1949. Her successor is Miss Margaret J. Hort, who had been on the staff of the Russell Sage College Library . . . From three estates the Seminary has received a total of $12,434.

*Saskatoon Seminary:* The Rev. William E. Nehrens, B.D., was installed as professor of Practical Theology on November 17, 1948. He is the representative of the American Lutheran Church on the faculty and is supported by that Church. . . . The Rev. Gilbert Monson, A.M is professor of New Testament and is the representative of the Augustana Lutheran Church on the faculty, being supported by that Church.

*Southern Seminary* announced the purchase of additional land and a building as part of an expansion program. Two residences have been erected for professors. An additional professor has been authorized. An apartment building to house married students was purchased.

*Waterloo Seminary:* Professor Otto Heick, Ph.D. of the German Department at Waterloo College was called to be professor of Historical Theology.

*Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary* is the name of the new seminary in process of organization by the Synod of California and the Pacific Synod. These Synods have elected a board of directors which has approved a constitution. It is proposed to locate at Berkeley, California. The charter is in process of being obtained.

*Carthage College* dedicated a vocational arts building for home economics at the commencement exercises, June, 1949 . . . Dr. Merle W. Boyer, professor of Philosophy, published his second book, *Highways of Philosophy* . . . Dr. Ruth Wick, acting executive secretary of the Student Service Division of the National Lutheran Council was elected Vice-President. Miss Wick is the first woman to hold this office in a college of the United Lutheran Church.

*Gettysburg College* broke ground for a new woman's dormitory, the first of a series of buildings to be erected in an expansion program.

*Hartwick College* was placed on the accredited list of the Middle States Association on April 30, 1949 . . . The library wing of the Religion and Arts Building was completed and dedicated.

*Lenoir Rhyne College*—The new auditorium will be named in honor of President Emeritus P. E. Monroe. The new dormitory for men will bear the name of Dr. Robert Lindsay Fritz, one of the founders of the college and now professor emeritus of Mathematics.

*Midland College* will use the receipts from the CHEY Appeal for the erection of a library-administration building.

*Muhlenberg College* planned a workshop on economic education during the summer of 1950. The workshop is sponsored by leading industries of the Allentown area and labor organizations to make an intensive study of current economic problems by high school faculty members.

*Newberry College* is probably the first to offer an elective credit course on "The Organization and Work of The United Lutheran Church in America." The class is open to students in the college and people in the community . . . C. H. Kaufman, '29, former registrar of the college for 15 years, was elected assistant to the president, with special duties in connection with increasing the endowment.

*Roanoke College*—The library received from the late Dr. Paul B. Davis, '08, contains more than 1,500 volumes on many subjects.

*Susquehanna University* started the erection of a Humanities Building costing approximately $300,000 . . . From the estate of George B. Wolf, Williamsport, Pennsylvania, $15,000 was received.

*Thiel College*—The private libraries of the Rev. C. L. Boecele, Ligonier, the Rev. C. D. Russell, East Pittsburgh, and the Rev. M. L. Harder, Johnsonburg, Pennsylvania, were given to the college . . . From the estate of J. Harvey Wattles, the college received $14,011 for the Endowment Fund. An appeal for $50,000 for the Library Fund was successful. At the 1950 commencement exercises ground was broken for the new Langenheim Memorial Library, which will cost approximately $300,000. From the estate of Dr. J. W. Ridenour, '94, Ada, Ohio, Thiel received the sum of $19,196 . . . The Thiel Woman's Club will give $25,000 toward the Library Fund.

*Wagner College*—The Rev. Paul J. Kirsch became the first full-time chaplain on February 1, 1949, being charged "to devote himself fully to looking after the spiritual and religious life of the College" . . . Plans have been prepared for the erection of gymnasium and girls' dormitory, each to cost $400,000 . . . The Rev. Paul Dieckman, Assistant to the President, was named Vice-President . . . The estate once owned by General William Ward, across from the campus, was purchased by the College. The building was remodeled for a Music and Arts Building, at a cost of $40,000 . . . Wagner was authorized by the Board of Regents of New York State to grant the degree of Bachelor of Religious Education.

*Wittenberg College* announced the receipt of two bequests totaling $60,000—the largest one being $50,000 for endowment from Mrs. Catherine A. Dursel, Alliance, Ohio . . . Work has started on the erection of a two-story addition for administrative and faculty offices. President Stoughton has announced a building program for the next three years, which will amount to $1,125,000.

### 4. Numbers Reveal Progress

The statistics on the following pages tell an interesting and informing story. For the sake of camparison with two years ago, the grand total for 1946-47 is included in the summary table.

A comparison with the situation in 1929 is revealing. That year the thirteen seminaries had 76 faculty members with 546 students, compared to nine seminaries today with 67 faculty members and 699 students. Twenty years ago the seminaries had 133,000 volumes in their libraries; today the number is 180,306. The value of all assets of the thirteen seminaries in 1929 was $4,797,659, compared with $5,969,976 for nine seminaries in 1949. The indebtedness has been reduced from $155,800 to $120,647.

The colleges also show much progress. In 1929 16 colleges, 13 senior and 3 junior, had 444 faculty members, compared with 784 in 14 colleges in 1949. The students numbered then 11,056, compared to 13,088 in 1949. The books in the libraries numbered 309,193 then, compared to 516,553 today. The total value of all assets in 1929 was $17,742,676, compared with $26,413,186 in 1949. The indebtedness has been reduced from $1,678,889 to $1,205,140.

In 1929 all 13 seminaries had current operating deficits; in 1949, 3 of the 9 had deficits. In 1929, 13 of the 16 colleges had deficits, while in 1949, only 4 of the 14 had deficits. There has been an improvement in the financial administration of the schools.

A summary of the statistical tables is exhibited below. Since this report is prepared before the end of the fiscal year, 1949-50, and since the academic information should be for the same year as the financial data, these statistics are more than a year old when presented to the Church.

## *Summary of Statistics for Seminaries and Colleges—1948-1949*

| | *9 Seminaries* | *14 Colleges* | *Grand Total 1948-49* | *Grand Total 1946-47* |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Academic | | | | |
| Total Faculties | 67 | 784 | 851 | 804 |
| Total Enrollment | 699 | 13,088 | 13,787 | 13,640 |
| Total Aumni | 6,336 | 34,082 | 40,418 | 33,749 |
| Total Volumes in Libraries | 180,306 | 516,553 | 696,859 | 642,599 |
| Financial | | | | |
| Value of Property | $3,022,306 | $15,763,112 | $18,785,418 | $16,924,158 |
| Value of Funds | 2,947,670 | 10,650,074 | 13,597,744 | 12,246,204 |
| Total Value of All Assets | 5,969,976 | 26,413,186 | 32,383,162 | 29,170,362 |
| Total Indebtedness | 120,647 | 1,205,140 | 1,325,787 | 1,457,030 |
| Current Funds: | | | | |
| Total Receipts | 485,026 | 7,531,090 | 8,016,116 | 6,687,611 |
| Total Expenditures | 477,408 | 7,336,389 | 7,813,797 | 6,498,395 |
| Total Balances | 7,618 | 194,701 | 202,319 | 189,216 |

# Statistical Tables for the Academic Year 1948–49—Theological Seminaries

| Index No. | INSTITUTION | Founded | LOCATION | PRESIDENT OR DEAN | THE PROPERTY | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | | PLANT | | | | | EQUIPMENT | | | | | |
| | | | | | Campus | | Buildings | | Value of Real Property | Library | | Furni-ture and Fixtures | Value of all Equip-ment | Total Value of Property |
| | | | | | Acres | Value | No. | Value | | Volumes | Value | | | |
| 1 | Luth. Theol. Sem. | 1826 | Gettysburg, Pa. | Rev. Abdel R. Wentz, Ph.D., D.D., LLD. | 42 | $55145 | 14 | $710215 | $765360 | 58367 | $55000 | $25602 | $80602 | $845962 |
| 2 | Luth. Theol. Southern Sem. | 1830 | Columbia, S. C. | Rev. John L. Yost, D.D. | 9 | ...... | 10 | ...... | 471693 | 15000 | 13723 | 9467 | 23190 | 495153 |
| 3 | Hamma Divinity School | 1845 | Springfield, O. | Rev. E. E. Flack, Th.D., D.D., Dean | See | Wittenb | erg | College | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... |
| 4 | Luth. Theol. Sem. | 1864 | Philadelphia, Pa. | Rev. Paul Hoh, D.D., LL.D. | 12 | 150000 | 17 | 650000 | 800000 | 53000 | 47000 | 15000 | 62000 | 862000 |
| 5 | Chicago Luth. Theol. Sem. | 1891 | Maywood, Ill. | Rev. Armin G. Weng, Ph.D., D.D. | 15 | 218250 | 10 | 318252 | 536502 | 18439 | 17870 | 30457 | 48327 | 584829 |
| 6 | Central Luth. Theol. Sem. | 1893 | Fremont, Neb. | Rev. E. Bryan Keisler, S.T.D., D.D. | 5 | 10000 | 2 | 25000 | 35000 | 6000 | 10000 | 5000 | 15000 | 50000 |
| 7 | Luth. Sem. of Canada | 1911 | Waterloo, Ont., Can. | Rev. H. T. Lehman, Th.D. | See | Waterloo | Col | lege | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... |
| 8 | Lutheran Seminary | 1913 | Saskatoon, Sask., Can. | (Vacant) | 16 | 4000 | .... | 46552 | 50552 | 9500 | 2292 | 3457 | 5749 | 56301 |
| 9 | N. W. Luth. Theol. Sem. | 1920 | Minneapolis, Minn. | Rev. Paul H. Roth, D.D. | ½ | ...... | .... | ...... | 88609 | 20000 | 22118 | 17334 | 39452 | 128061 |
| | Totals | .... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | .... | ...... | $2747716 | 180306 | $168003 | $106317 | $274320 | $3022306 |

| Index No. | THE FUNDS—PERMANENT | | | | | | | | | Total All Assets Property and Funds | Additions to Assets | Total Indebtedness |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | PRODUCTIVE | | UNPRODUCTIVE | | Total Endowment | OTHER ASSETS | | | Total All Funds | | | |
| | Restricted | Unrestricted | Annuities | Other | | Scholarships | Interest Bearing | Non-interest Bearing | | | | |
| 1 | $464252 | $540227 | $21500 | ...... | $1025979 | ...... | ...... | ...... | $1025979 | $1871941 | ...... | ...... |
| 2 | 3952 | 74349 | 4700 | ...... | 83001 | ...... | $31000 | ...... | 114001 | 609154 | ...... | $67902 |
| 3 | 81271 | 232414 | 2000 | ...... | 315685 | $13500 | ...... | ...... | 329185 | 329185 | Wittenberg | College |
| 4 | 149207 | 473017 | ...... | ...... | 622224 | ...... | ...... | $3792 | 626016 | 1488016 | $2687 | ...... |
| 5 | 313250 | 74658 | 27400 | $85 | 415393 | 37518 | 7612 | ...... | 460523 | 1045352 | 89291 | ...... |
| 6 | 9205 | 31849 | ...... | ...... | 41154 | 5000 | ...... | ...... | 46154 | 96154 | ...... | ...... |
| 7 | Waterloo | College | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... |
| 8 | 5000 | ...... | ...... | ...... | 5000 | ...... | ...... | 22668 | 27668 | 83969 | ...... | ...... |
| 9 | ...... | 318144 | ...... | ...... | 318144 | ...... | ...... | ...... | 318144 | 446205 | ...... | 52745 |
| | $1026137 | $1744658 | $55600 | $85 | $2826580 | $56018 | $38612 | $26460 | $2947670 | $5969976 | $91978 | $120647 |

# STATISTICAL TABLES FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 1948–49—THEOLOGICAL SEMINARIES (*Continued*)

| Index No. | THE FUNDS: CURRENT INCOME | | | | | | | | | CURRENT EXPENDITURES | | | | | | | | | Surplus or Deficit |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | The Church | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Endowment | Students | U.L.C.A. | Synods | Parishes | Total | Special Gifts | Miscellaneous | Total Current Income | Administration | Instruction | Books, Equipment | Operating | Maintenance | Interest | Annuities | Miscellaneous | Total Expenditures | |
| 1 | $23410 | $9763 | .... | $48206 | .... | $48206 | .... | $1666 | $83045 | $14522 | $44387 | $1900 | $22592 | ← | ← | ← | $7693 | $91094 | D $8049 |
| 2 | 2435 | 12852 | $6600 | 17432 | $3105 | 27137 | $1489 | 2706 | 46619 | 6000 | 19300 | 1476 | 11739 | $6484 | $1620 | .... | .... | 46619 | .... |
| 3 | 11362 | 13054 | 6000 | 28104 | .... | 34104 | 810 | 652 | 59982 | 15123 | 32173 | .... | .... | 11516 | .... | $100 | .... | 58912 | S 1070 |
| 4 | 25262 | 29371 | .... | 60506 | .... | 60506 | 31172 | 3132 | 149443 | 10335 | 37864 | 1818 | 51571 | 18543 | .... | .... | .... | 120131 | S 29312 |
| 5 | 18948 | 7129 | 7200 | 25235 | 2600 | 35035 | .... | 2915 | 64027 | 4667 | 25664 | 5636 | 14851 | 5141 | .... | 5864 | 1405 | 63228 | S 799 |
| 6 | 1051 | 980 | 3900 | 10637 | 763 | 15300 | .... | .... | 17331 | 3314 | 14872 | .... | 1366 | 1928 | .... | .... | .... | 21480 | D 4149 |
| 7 | See Waterloo College | | | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... |
| 8 | .... | .... | 7825 | 4250 | .... | 12075 | 95 | 482 | 12652 | 1738 | 7672 | .... | 3792 | .... | .... | .... | .... | 13202 | D 550 |
| 9 | 10901 | .... | .... | 40520 | .... | 40520 | 473 | 33 | 51927 | 3197 | 27894 | .... | 11417 | 17694 | 1441 | .... | 1099 | 62742 | D 10815 |
| | $93369 | $73149 | $31525 | $234890 | $6468 | $272883 | $34039 | $11586 | $485026 | $58896 | $209826 | $10830 | $117328 | $61306 | $3061 | $5964 | $10197 | $477408 | S $7618 |

| Index No. | THE FACULTY | | | | | | | STUDENTS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | ALUMNI | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Number | | Degrees—Earned Only | | | | | Undergraduates | | | | | Graduates | | | | College Graduates Enrolled | | | | | | | | |
| | Full Time | Part Time | A.B. | A.M. | B.D. | S.T.M. | Doctor | 1st Yr. | 2nd Yr. | 3rd Yr. | Special | Total | In Residence | In Correspondence | Total | Total Enrollment | 1st Year | 2nd Yr. | 3rd Yr. | Special | Grads. in Residence | Grads. in Correspondence | Total Col. Grads. | Non-Lutheran | Living | Total |
| 1 | 9 | 2 | .... | .... | 4 | .... | 7 | 45 | 34 | 24 | 3 | 106 | 72 | .... | 72 | 178 | 45 | 34 | 24 | 3 | 72 | .... | 178 | 8 | 820 | 1897 |
| 2 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 13 | 15 | 14 | 1 | 43 | .... | .... | .... | 43 | 13 | 15 | 14 | 1 | .... | .... | 43 | 2 | 360 | 526 |
| 3 | 6 | 2 | .... | .... | 2 | .... | 6 | 22 | 20 | 14 | 12 | 68 | 19 | .... | 19 | 87 | 18 | 20 | 13 | 6 | 19 | .... | 76 | 15 | 465 | 825 |
| 4 | 11 | 1 | .... | 2 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 44 | 32 | 23 | 2 | 101 | 52 | .... | 52 | 153 | 44 | 32 | 23 | .... | 52 | .... | 151 | 13 | 1235 | 1829 |
| 5 | 6 | 3 | .... | .... | 2 | 3 | 4 | 10 | 9 | 2 | 27 | 49 | 94 | .... | 94 | 143 | 10 | 9 | 2 | 27 | 94 | .... | 143 | .... | 412 | 623 |
| 6 | 4 | .... | 1 | 1 | .... | 1 | 1 | 7 | 2 | 5 | 2 | 16 | .... | .... | .... | 16 | 7 | 2 | 5 | 2 | .... | .... | 16 | 2 | 175 | 225 |
| 7 | 4 | .... | .... | 1 | .... | .... | 3 | 4 | 5 | .... | 3 | 12 | .... | 8 | 8 | 20 | 4 | 5 | .... | 2 | .... | 8 | 19 | 2 | 88 | 101 |
| 8 | 4 | .... | .... | .... | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | .... | .... | 6 | 9 | .... | .... | .... | 9 | 3 | .... | .... | 1 | .... | .... | 4 | .... | 75 | 78 |
| 9 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 29 | 11 | 10 | .... | 50 | .... | .... | .... | 50 | 29 | 9 | 10 | .... | .... | .... | 48 | 8 | 223 | 232 |
| | 55 | 12 | 3 | 6 | 17 | 10 | 29 | 177 | 128 | 92 | 56 | 454 | 237 | 8 | 245 | 699 | 173 | 126 | 91 | 42 | 237 | 8 | 678 | 50 | 3853 | 6336 |

# Statistical Tables for the Academic Year 1948–49—Colleges

| Index No. | Institution | Founded | Location | President | Type[1] | Accredited By[2] | THE PROPERTY: THE PLANT: Campus: Acres | Campus: Value | Buildings: No. | Buildings: Value | Value of Real Property | THE EQUIPMENT: Library: Vols. | Library: Value | Laboratory and Museum | Furniture, Fixtures etc. | Value of Equipment | Total Value of Property |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Gettysburg | 1832 | Gettysburg, Pa. | H. W. A. Hanson, D.D., LL.D. | C | 1, 2, 3 | 91 | $171500 | 25 | $1438887 | $1610387 | 63500 | $190500 | → | $153490 | $343990 | $1954377 |
| 2 | Roanoke | 1842 | Salem, Va. | H. S. Oberly, Ph.D., Litt.D. | C | 1, 2 | 25 | 77348 | 12 | 644112 | 721460 | 30000 | 112976 | $101053 | 42041 | 256070 | 977530 |
| 3 | Wittenberg | 1845 | Springfield, O. | C. C. Stoughton, LL.D., Litt.D. | C | 1, 2, 3 | 55 | 337355 | 18 | 1877145 | 2214500 | 84357 | 84357 | 125500 | 180695 | 390552 | 2605052 |
| 4 | Muhlenberg | 1848 | Allentown, Pa. | L. Tyson, Litt.D., LL.D. | M | 1, 2, 3 | 72 | 588666 | 10 | 1624934 | 2213600 | 80824 | 80824 | 101170 | 120076 | 302070 | 2515670 |
| 5 | Newberry | 1856 | Newberry, S. C. | J. C. Kinard, Litt.D., LL.D | C | 1, 2, 3 | 47 | 12963 | 21 | 487584 | 500547 | 25000 | 40000 | → | 101553 | 141553 | 642100 |
| 6 | Susquehanna | 1858 | Selinsgrove, Pa. | G. M. Smith, D.D., LL.D. | C | 1, 2, 3 | 63 | 144753 | 18 | 533514 | 678267 | 30328 | 44466 | 33000 | 86833 | 164299 | 842566 |
| 7 | Thiel | 1866 | Greenville, Pa. | W. F. Zimmerman, Ph.D., LL.D. | C | 1, 2 | 35 | 35100 | 8 | 647500 | 682500 | 20000 | 15000 | 36000 | 58553 | 109553 | 792053 |
| 8 | Carthage | 1870 | Carthage, Ill. | Morris Wee, Ph.D. | C | 1, 2 | 40 | 27397 | 17 | 792810 | 820207 | 40757 | 43354 | 31244 | 106039 | 180637 | 1000844 |
| 9 | Wagner | 1883 | Staten Island, N. Y. | W. C. Langsam, Ph.D., LL.D. | C | 1, 3 | 75 | 450000 | 13 | 808384 | 1258384 | 41000 | 41059 | 148647 | ← | 189706 | 1448090 |
| 10 | Midland | 1887 | Fremont, Neb. | W. P. Hieronymus, Ph.D. | C | 1, 2 | 11 |  | 7 |  | 679550 | 28000 | 28000 | → | 38418 | 58418 | 737968 |
| 11 | Lenoir Rhyne | 1891 | Hickory, N. C. | V. R. Cromer, D.D. | C | 1, 2, 3 | 40 | 92332 | 14 | 583667 | 675999 | 33000 | 33000 | → | 49575 | 82575 | 758574 |
| 12 | Waterloo | 1924 | Waterloo, Ont. | H. T. Lehman, Th.D. | C | 2 | 16 |  | 4 |  | 122525 | 12500 | 12500 |  |  | 12500 | 135025 |
| 13 | Hartwick | 1928 | Oneonta, N. Y. | H. J. Arnold, Ph.D., LL.D. | C | 1, 3 | 115 | 41197 | 28 | 854701 | 895898 | 19000 | 80000 | → | 76365 | 156365 | 1052263 |
| 14 | Marion (Junior) | 1873 | Marion, Va. | J. H. Fray, D.D. | W | 2 | 7 | 35000 | 1 | 200000 | 235000 | 8287 | 16000 | 4000 | 46000 | 66000 | 301000 |
|  | Totals |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $13308824 | 516553 | $822036 | $580614 | $1059638 | $2454288 | $1576311 |

Note: Blanks indicate no report or nothing to report. Cents are omitted.
[1] Code: C—Co-educational. M—Men. W—Women.

[2] Code: 1. Regional Accrediting Association. 2. State University or State Board of Education. 3. The Regents [New York].

| Index No. | THE FUNDS—PERMANENT: Productive: Restricted | Productive: Unrestricted | Unproductive: Annuities | Unproductive: Other | Total Endowment | OTHER ASSETS: Scholarships | Loan Funds | Notes, Pledges, etc.: Interest Bearing | Notes, Pledges, etc.: Non-interest Bearing | Other Property and Funds | Total Other Assets | Total Funds and Assets | Total Value of All Assets | Income for Perm. Assets and Debts, 1946-48: Plant and Indebtedness | Endowment | Indebtedness | INDEBTEDNESS: Buildings, Equipment, etc. | Current Accumulated | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | $144407 | $260768 | $24000 |  | $429175 |  |  |  |  | $409376 | $409376 | $838551 | $2792928 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 | 108625 | 589418 |  |  | 698043 |  | $6113 |  |  | 39065 | 45178 | 743221 | 1720751 |  |  |  |  | $28594 | $28594 |
| 3 | 294636 | 1304662 | 536484 | $554024 | 2689806 | $87459 | 80028 |  |  |  | 167487 | 2857293 | 5462345 | $30567 | $374422 | $61720 | $265828 |  | 265828 |
| 4 | 394059 | 682256 | 15000 | 3750 | 1095065 |  | 28000 |  |  | 389444 | 417444 | 1512509 | 4028179 |  |  |  | 597000 |  | 597000 |
| 5 |  | 225137 |  |  | 225137 |  |  |  |  | 34800 | 34800 | 259937 | 902037 | 24740 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6 | 55249 | 445887 | 2100 |  | 503236 |  |  |  |  | 159092 | 159092 | 662328 | 1504894 | 35000 | 7000 |  |  |  |  |
| 7 |  | 212589 | 240460 | 13225 | 466274 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 466274 | 1258327 |  |  |  | 60000 |  | 60000 |
| 8 | 16392 | 728242 | 3000 |  | 747634 | 10413 | 6220 |  |  |  | 16633 | 764267 | 1765111 | 39611 | 8802 | 77569 | 56882 |  | 56882 |
| 9 | 65355 | 356610 |  |  | 421965 |  | 1374 |  |  | 321997 | 323368 | 746707 | 2194797 | 40000 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10 | 66377 | 102013 | 15400 | 31595 | 215385 | 5000 | 1938 |  | $15319 |  | 22257 | 237642 | 975610 |  |  |  | 151503 | 32740 | 184243 |
| 11 |  | 714855 | 500 | 5800 | 721155 |  |  |  |  | 362055 | 362055 | 1083210 | 1841784 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 12 |  | 30400 |  |  | 30400 |  |  |  |  | 38750 | 38750 | 69150 | 204175 | 75000 |  |  |  | 2093 | 2093 |
| 13 | 156591 | 7738 | 500 | 64247 | 229076 |  |  |  |  | 171326 | 171326 | 400402 | 1452665 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14 |  |  |  | 6583 | 6583 | 1600 | 400 |  |  |  | 2000 | 8583 | 309583 |  |  |  | 10500 |  | 10500 |
|  | $1301691 | $5660575 | $837444 | $679224 | $8478934 | $104472 | $124073 |  | $15319 | $1925905 | $2169766 | $10650074 | $26413186 | $244918 | $390224 | $139289 | $1141713 | $63427 | $1205140 |

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| Index No. | THE FACULTY | | | | | | | | | THE STUDENTS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | | | | | | | COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | Lutheran | | | Degrees Earned | | | Freshmen | | | Sophomores | | | Juniors | | | Seniors | | | Specials | | | Graduates | | |
| | M | W | T | M | W | T | A.B. only | A.M. only | Doctor | M | W | T | M | W | T | M | W | T | M | W | T | M | W | T | M | W | T |
| 1 | 84 | 7 | 91 | 51 | 4 | 55 | 20 | 36 | 26 | 220 | 57 | 277 | 257 | 26 | 283 | 287 | 27 | 314 | 256 | 60 | 316 | 4 | 5 | 9 | ...... | ...... | ...... |
| 2 | 33 | 9 | 42 | 4 | ...... | 4 | 7 | 29 | 6 | 194 | 70 | 264 | 113 | 43 | 156 | 99 | 38 | 137 | 77 | 31 | 108 | 4 | 3 | 7 | ...... | ...... | ...... |
| 3 | 78 | 26 | 104 | 45 | 13 | 58 | 12 | 56 | 33 | 311 | 159 | 470 | 246 | 126 | 372 | 205 | 116 | 321 | 235 | 72 | 307 | 18 | 9 | 27 | ...... | ...... | ...... |
| 4 | 104 | 1 | 105 | 30 | 1 | 31 | 28 | 48 | 29 | 304 | ...... | 304 | 273 | ...... | 273 | 296 | ...... | 296 | 284 | ...... | 284 | 19 | ...... | 19 | ...... | ...... | ...... |
| 5 | 23 | 10 | 33 | 10 | 8 | 18 | 10 | 16 | 7 | 94 | 20 | 114 | 112 | 16 | 128 | 108 | 25 | 133 | 122 | 23 | 145 | 10 | 4 | 14 | ...... | ...... | ...... |
| 6 | 31 | 11 | 42 | 13 | 7 | 20 | 6 | 24 | 9 | 78 | 75 | 153 | 67 | 40 | 107 | 85 | 48 | 133 | 54 | 53 | 107 | 7 | 2 | 9 | ...... | ...... | ...... |
| 7 | 30 | 12 | 42 | 13 | 8 | 21 | 7 | 30 | 5 | 193 | 95 | 288 | 104 | 51 | 155 | 115 | 24 | 139 | 85 | 23 | 108 | 8 | 5 | 13 | ...... | ...... | ...... |
| 8 | 28 | 13 | 41 | 20 | 9 | 29 | 6 | 26 | 9 | 157 | 76 | 233 | 105 | 57 | 162 | 134 | 42 | 176 | 78 | 46 | 124 | 9 | 42 | 51 | ...... | ...... | ...... |
| 9 | 76 | 20 | 96 | 46 | 8 | 54 | 20 | 48 | 28 | 204 | 57 | 261 | 210 | 60 | 270 | 225 | 51 | 276 | 124 | 47 | 171 | 8 | 14 | 22 | ...... | ...... | ...... |
| 10 | 24 | 16 | 40 | 12 | 9 | 21 | 15 | 20 | 4 | 118 | 75 | 193 | 80 | 42 | 122 | 71 | 18 | 89 | 40 | 15 | 55 | 12 | 14 | 26 | ...... | ...... | ...... |
| 11 | 24 | 20 | 44 | 14 | 15 | 29 | 11 | 24 | 9 | 190 | 71 | 261 | 136 | 55 | 191 | 133 | 20 | 153 | 127 | 62 | 189 | 10 | 28 | 38 | ...... | ...... | ...... |
| 12 | 21 | 6 | 27 | 7 | 1 | 8 | 6 | 9 | 7 | 37 | 20 | 57 | 34 | 23 | 57 | 6 | 2 | 8 | 27 | 12 | 39 | 13 | 37 | 50 | ...... | ...... | ...... |
| 13 | 39 | 21 | 60 | 11 | 3 | 14 | 16 | 21 | 20 | 80 | 44 | 124 | 91 | 34 | 125 | 111 | 30 | 141 | 67 | 21 | 88 | 6 | 16 | 22 | ...... | ...... | ...... |
| 14 | 1 | 16 | 17 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 11 | 6 | ...... | 6 | 40 | 46 | ...... | 38 | 38 | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... |
| | 596 | 188 | 784 | 277 | 90 | 367 | 175 | 393 | 192 | 2186 | 859 | 3045 | 1828 | 611 | 2439 | 1875 | 441 | 2316 | 1576 | 465 | 2041 | 128 | 179 | 307 | ...... | ...... | ...... |

| Index No. | THE STUDENTS (Continued) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | ALUMNI | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS (Continued) | | | | | | Academy or High School | | | Special Schools | | | Summer Schools | | | Extension | | | Grand Total No Duplicates | | | | | Graduates | Ex-Students |
| | Total | | | Lutheran | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | M | W | T | M | W | T | M | W | T | M | W | T | M | W | T | M | W | T | M | W | T | | | | |
| 1 | 1094 | 175 | 1269 | 448 | 94 | 542 | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | 332 | 58 | 390 | ...... | ...... | ...... | 1155 | 190 | 1345 | | | 5339 | 3918 |
| 2 | 487 | 185 | 672 | 53 | 22 | 75 | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | 250 | 107 | 357 | ...... | ...... | ...... | 607 | 253 | 860 | | | 2238 | ...... |
| 3 | 1015 | 482 | 1497 | 454 | 282 | 736 | ...... | ...... | ...... | 113 | 35 | 148 | 378 | 143 | 521 | 348 | 323 | 671 | 1465 | 881 | 2346 | | | 7035 | ...... |
| 4 | 1176 | ...... | 1176 | 550 | ...... | 550 | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | 406 | 35 | 441 | ...... | ...... | ...... | 1216 | 35 | 1251 | | | 4174 | ...... |
| 5 | 446 | 88 | 534 | 124 | 56 | 180 | ...... | ...... | ...... | 36 | 73 | 109 | 168 | 70 | 238 | ...... | 7 | 7 | 500 | 214 | 714 | | | 2491 | 6857 |
| 6 | 291 | 218 | 499 | 89 | 96 | 185 | ...... | ...... | ...... | 47 | 98 | 145 | 74 | 22 | 96 | ...... | ...... | ...... | 317 | 287 | 604 | | | 2442 | ...... |
| 7 | 505 | 198 | 703 | 251 | 102 | 353 | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | 171 | 32 | 203 | ...... | ...... | ...... | 505 | 198 | 603 | | | 1687 | 3506 |
| 8 | 483 | 263 | 746 | 299 | 169 | 468 | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | 101 | 37 | 138 | ...... | ...... | ...... | 506 | 280 | 786 | | | 1847 | 8335 |
| 9 | 771 | 229 | 1000 | 261 | 121 | 382 | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | 453 | 96 | 549 | 359 | 96 | 455 | 1174 | 316 | 1490 | | | 1185 | ...... |
| 10 | 321 | 164 | 485 | 178 | 90 | 268 | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | 115 | 189 | 304 | 5 | 28 | 33 | 385 | 352 | 737 | | | 1170 | ...... |
| 11 | 596 | 236 | 832 | 181 | 137 | 318 | ...... | ...... | ...... | 1 | 32 | 33 | 298 | 209 | 507 | ...... | ...... | ...... | 895 | 477 | 1372 | | | 2221 | 5000 |
| 12 | 117 | 94 | 211 | 41 | 35 | 76 | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | 117 | 94 | 211 | | | 324 | 124 |
| 13 | 358 | 177 | 535 | 46 | 34 | 80 | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | 149 | 29 | 178 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 469 | 186 | 655 | | | 974 | 530 |
| 14 | 6 | 78 | 84 | 3 | 43 | 46 | ...... | 14 | 14 | 3 | 13 | 16 | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | 9 | 105 | 114 | | | 955 | 3165 |
| | 7666 | 2587 | 10243 | 2978 | 1281 | 4259 | ...... | 14 | 14 | 200 | 251 | 451 | 2895 | 1027 | 3922 | 713 | 458 | 1171 | 9320 | 3868 | 13088 | | | 34082 | 31435 |

## Statistical Tables for the Academic Year 1948–49—Colleges *(Continued)*

### THE CURRENT FUND—INCOME

| Index No. | EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL | | | | | | | | AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES AND ENTERPRISES | | | | NON-EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES | | | | Total Annual Income |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | The Church | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Students | Endowment | U.L.C.A. | Synods | Parishes Individuals | Total | Miscellaneous Sources | Total | Dormitories | Dining Halls | Other | Total | Invested Funds | Current Gifts | Other | Tota | |
| 1 | $639305 | $20485 | ........ | ........ | ........ | ........ | $31545 | $691335 | → | → | → | $196104 | ........ | ........ | ........ | ........ | $887439 |
| 2 | 250310 | 25641 | $5100 | $5000 | ........ | $10100 | 14743 | 300794 | $13179 | $91758 | $30446 | 135383 | $800 | ........ | $1746 | $2546 | 438723 |
| 3 | 695307 | 62842 | 6000 | 87637 | ........ | 93637 | 40806 | 892592 | 91299 | 140713 | 147515 | 379527 | 19450 | $700 | ........ | 20150 | 1292269 |
| 4 | 740192 | 33293 | ........ | 28000 | ........ | 28000 | 11128 | 812613 | 35848 | 5903 | 117128 | 158879 | 16671 | ........ | 13519 | 30190 | 1001682 |
| 5 | 153410 | 9153 | 11100 | 18583 | ........ | 29683 | 1330 | 193576 | 23298 | 92948 | 19586 | 135832 | ........ | ........ | 977 | 977 | 330385 |
| 6 | 231050 | 23281 | 5000 | 15000 | $100 | 20100 | 1358 | 275789 | 23664 | 81705 | 48417 | 153786 | 3232 | ........ | ........ | 3232 | 432807 |
| 7 | 250046 | 5974 | 6800 | 45000 | 2417 | 54217 | 24855 | 335092 | 21064 | 110627 | 12760 | 144451 | ........ | ........ | 4795 | 4795 | 484338 |
| 8 | 280415 | 42344 | 10650 | 43169 | ........ | 53819 | 9627 | 386205 | 49335 | 161311 | 14152 | 224798 | ........ | | ........ | ........ | 611003 |
| 9 | 526507 | 18816 | 5000 | 25000 | ........ | 30000 | 5973 | 581296 | 16420 | 100306 | 8878 | 125604 | ........ | | ........ | ........ | 706900 |
| 10 | 135725 | 9227 | 24900 | 50658 | 4654 | 80112 | 22813 | 247877 | 25034 | 59412 | 41282 | 125728 | ........ | | ........ | ........ | 373605 |
| 11 | 254930 | 27663 | 3600 | 11400 | ........ | 15000 | 4855 | 302448 | 21598 | 108581 | 28369 | 158548 | ........ | | ........ | 26800 | 487876 |
| 12 | 23394 | 1012 | 7500 | 31438 | ........ | 38938 | 5021 | 68365 | 3211 | ........ | 720 | 3931 | ........ | | ........ | ........ | 72296 |
| 13 | 258516 | 8652 | 2000 | 25000 | 5806 | 32806 | 7292 | 307266 | 2892 | ← | 19087 | 21979 | ........ | | ........ | ........ | 329245 |
| 14 | 31522 | ........ | 3650 | 8000 | ........ | 11650 | 1604 | 44776 | 7915 | 27971 | ........ | 35886 | ........ | 1860 | ........ | 1860 | 82522 |
| | $4470629 | $288383 | $91300 | $393885 | $12977 | $498062 | $182950 | $5440024 | $334757 | $981235 | $488340 | $2000436 | $40153 | $2560 | $21037 | $90550 | $7531090 |

### THE CURRENT FUNDS—EXPENDITURES

| Index No. | EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL | | | | | | AUXILIARY ENTERPRISES (NET LOSS) | | | | NON-EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES | | | | | CAPITAL OUTLAY | | | | Total Expenditures | Surplus or Deficit |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Administration | Instruction | Extension Activities | Library | Operation and Maintenance | Total | Dorm. and Residences | Dining Halls | Other | Total | Annuities | Int. on Loans | Scholarship and Student Aid | Other | Total | Plant and Equipment | Indebtedness | Other | Total | | |
| 1 | $174984 | $321306 | ........ | $15797 | $133209 | $645296 | $10 | $156115 | ........ | $156125 | ........ | ........ | $38752 | ........ | $38752 | ........ | ........ | ........ | ........ | $840173 | S $47266 |
| 2 | 73231 | 148005 | ........ | 13746 | 32900 | 267882 | 14693 | 86264 | $32271 | 133228 | ........ | $124 | 11288 | $12357 | 23769 | $19037 | ........ | ........ | $19037 | 443916 | D 5193 |
| 3 | 148291 | 429151 | $15286 | 34492 | 161534 | 788754 | 71658 | 124102 | 141592 | 337352 | $19030 | 9074 | 29041 | 11150 | 68295 | ........ | $20210 | ........ | 20210 | 1214611 | S 77658 |
| 4 | 181474 | 395001 | ........ | 39163 | 102877 | 718515 | 38619 | 3016 | 108548 | 150183 | 750 | 18870 | 39926 | 5320 | 64866 | 30823 | 37295 | ........ | 68118 | 1001682 | ........ |
| 5 | 34678 | 109954 | ........ | 5872 | 10000 | 160504 | 29224 | 87535 | 15661 | 132420 | 65 | ........ | 23906 | 2500 | 26471 | 24740 | ........ | ........ | 24740 | 344135 | D 13750 |
| 6 | 63764 | 115431 | ........ | 8084 | 80871 | 268150 | 2317 | 60517 | 47665 | 110499 | 90 | ........ | 31269 | ........ | 31359 | ........ | ........ | ........ | ........ | 410008 | S 22799 |
| 7 | 26467 | 193112 | ........ | 13122 | 41985 | 274686 | 20899 | 110449 | 30583 | 161931 | ........ | 163 | 11809 | 12272 | 24244 | ........ | 8400 | $15000 | 23400 | 484261 | S 77 |
| 8 | 67528 | 155470 | ........ | 13831 | 53209 | 290038 | 30280 | 151298 | 21768 | 203346 | 140 | 3021 | 16175 | 799 | 20135 | 19912 | ........ | ........ | 19912 | 533432 | S 77571 |
| 9 | 135835 | 224116 | ........ | 28273 | 129884 | 518108 | ........ | 82951 | 773 | 83724 | ........ | ........ | 19045 | ........ | 19045 | 79473 | ........ | ........ | 79473 | 700350 | S 6550 |
| 10 | 63122 | 126815 | ........ | 8795 | 43188 | 241920 | 21173 | 52816 | 63431 | 137420 | 688 | 7613 | 4651 | 11 | 12693 | ........ | 6065 | ........ | ........ | 398368 | D 24763 |
| 11 | 39496 | 163410 | ........ | 13572 | 35435 | 251913 | 20955 | 104718 | 31130 | 156803 | 30 | ........ | 7940 | 60678 | 68648 | ........ | ........ | ........ | 1557 | 478921 | S 8955 |
| 12 | 5655 | 57362 | ........ | 252 | 9939 | 73208 | 1200 | ........ | ........ | 1200 | ........ | ........ | 881 | 2208 | 3089 | ........ | ........ | ........ | ........ | 77497 | D 5201 |
| 13 | 41125 | 155855 | ........ | 9683 | 77395 | 284058 | ........ | ........ | 2676 | 2676 | 25 | 1680 | 28312 | 7924 | 37941 | 4128 | ........ | ........ | 4128 | 328803 | S 442 |
| 14 | 18596 | 22041 | ........ | 2042 | 3219 | 45898 | 6689 | 22757 | 1569 | 31015 | ........ | 406 | 2913 | ........ | 3319 | ........ | ........ | ........ | ........ | 80232 | S 2290 |
| | $1074246 | $2617029 | $15286 | $206724 | $915645 | $4828930 | $257717 | $1042538 | $497667 | $1797921 | $20818 | $40951 | $265908 | $115219 | $442626 | $178113 | $71970 | $15000 | $260575 | $7336389 | S $194701 |

### 5. MORE EFFECTIVE SEMINARIES AND COLLEGES

The financial results of the CHEY Appeal will assist the seminaries and colleges to erect administration buildings, chapels, dormitories, libraries, and other units, thereby serving the growing number of Lutheran students registered at our schools.

In 1930 less than half of the colleges were accredited. Today the 13 senior colleges are accredited by their regional accrediting associations, Waterloo being accredited by the University of Western Ontario. Marion College is accredited by the Virginia State Department of Education.

The comprehensive survey of the colleges conducted in 1926-27 revealed points of strength and weakness. During the intervening years the colleges have been strengthened in most points.

Of the 9 seminaries, 6 are accredited by the American Association of Theological Schools. The influence of our seminaries is seen in the fact that during the academic year 1949-50 the students in the undergraduate and graduate departments came from 116 colleges and universities, divided as follows: United Lutheran Church colleges 13, other Lutheran colleges 10, other denominational colleges 41, independent colleges and universities 13, state colleges 11, state and municipal universities 18, and schools in countries abroad 10.

The Board of Education is eager to be of service in strengthening the seminaries and colleges to an even greater degree. During the ensuing years, it is planned to study and to serve, where possible, the schools with respect to organization and administration, standards of admission and student records, faculty load and salaries, campus plans and building programs, student counseling, and religious studies and activities. We believe our colleges and seminaries may rank among the outstanding church schools in America. (*See Recommendation 12.*)

## II. Providing for Church Vocations

By action of the Church which placed student service under the National Lutheran Council, the responsibility in the field of church vocations was retained as a special prerogative. The Executive Board then requested the Board of Education to give stimulus and guidance in church vocations as this area related both to youth and to the boards and agencies of the Church. This area of the life of the Church is being developed in consultation with the proper staff representatives through a program of institutional and personal counseling services, conferences, scheduled itineraries and visual aids including the publishing of vocational leaflets, magazine articles, placement service, and scholarship funds.

### 1. CONFERENCES ON CHURCH VOCATIONS

The group conference is one method used in the presentation of church vocations and in the framework for individual counseling and meeting with those youth interested in specific professions. The two types of conferences used are: the Christian Service Institute and the Christian Career Conference.

*a*) Christian Service Institutes are held annually at summer schools and camps. They were started five years ago as a co-operative enterprise between the Board of Education and the Parish and Church School Board for the purpose of presenting the opportunities and claims of church vocations to the youth of the Church. The program includes a presentation by the leader to the entire group on the theme of life service. This is followed by group conferences on the ministry, the diaconate, social work, and missions.

All arrangements for these institutes, including the program and leaders, are made by the Parish and Church School Board. The Board of Education is responsible for providing pamphlets and printed matter on church vocations, and doing the follow-up work on those expressing an interest in church vocations.

During the summer of 1949 a total of 25 institutes was held. The total attendance of young people at the 22 institutes which submitted reports was 2,525. There were 19 institutes scheduled for the summer of 1950.

A total of 584 "Vocational Interest Record" forms were signed and returned at the 1949 institutes. Of these, 480 were from girls, and 104 were from boys.

b) The purposes of the Christian Career conferences are: (1) To impress upon all students the importance of a wise vocational choice and to stimulate in all a desire and purpose to make whatever vocation they enter a Christian career; (2) to present the field of church vocations to the entire student body; (3) to discover students who are interested in various fields of church work and to give such students guidance and direction in their vocational plans.

At most of the colleges, two or three days were allotted for the conference, depending upon the college schedule. Speakers were selected, and invitations extended by the Board of Education with the approval of the college. Wherever possible, a secretary of the Board was one of the speakers. Travel expenses for the speakers were paid by the Board of Education, while the college was responsible for providing meals and lodging for the speakers during the days of the conference.

Those who participated in the conferences during the biennium were: the Rev. Howard Alsdorf, Dr. Nona M. Diehl, Dr. Frances Dysinger, Dr. Edith Eykamp, Sister Margaret Fry, Mrs. Frank B. Herzel, the Rev. E. T. Horn III, the Rev. Henry E. Horn, the Rev. David Johnson, the Rev. Gerald K. Johnson, Miss Louise Marks, Miss Evelyn Pfeuffer, Miss Inez Seagle, the Rev. William C. Sprenkel, Mr. Richard Sutcliffe, the Rev. Viggo Swensen, Sister Florence Weicker, Sister Charlotte Weissgerber, Dr. Armin G. Weng, Mrs. Armin G. Weng, Mrs. Gould Wickey and the Board's staff—Dr. David H. Bremer, Dr. Gould Wickey and Miss Mildred E. Winston.

### 2. The Summer Service Project

The Summer Service Project has become a part of the life of the Church. There have been five years of steady, quiet promotion, first among the students on the United Lutheran Church campuses, then in the publicity of the Division of Student Service, and more recently throughout the entire Church. This has been done through the co-operation of presidents and secretaries of synods and through articles in church publications.

Staff people who are authorities in the fields of welfare, parish education, and higher education have stimulated the interest of pastors of congregations and both administrators of colleges and students in the project. They indicate the value of student service in institutional and parish work and also the guidance such training gives students for future leadership in the Church.

In the selection and placement of students and in the choice of centers careful procedures are followed, so the project is actually an education in churchmanship of a high standard for all who participate in it.

The Board of Education through Miss Winston assumes the total responsibility for promotion, recruiting, placement and follow-up work, and a major responsibility for planning and directing the orientation conferences, with in-service visits and conferences during the summer. The greatest single factor undergirding the project has been the allocation of $1,000 annually to the Board of Education by the Women's Missionary Society.

This project is a valuable instrument not only for guidance of students in helping them find a satisfying vocation, but it is also valuable to personnel committees. It can become increasingly vital in the guidance and counseling program of the Church.

The official Summer Service Project has stimulated interest in summer service among students and executives in addition to the program of the Board. A number of students consult the Board staff about these additional opportunities. Centers and parishes use the program and materials of the project in instances where it is not feasible to co-operate wholly.

The project has developed from 11 student placements to 62, plus the extra relationships just mentioned, during the first five years.

The orientation conferences are a vital part of the project. They point out to the students their own spiritual, social, intellectual, and physical resources; open vistas of need and opportunity in the Church, and show the available resources and tools. They prepare the students for further conferences-in-service with the executives and help to make the service of the summer more meaningful both to the students and to those being served.

During the biennium over 350 students applied through the Board of Education for summer service work. Of these, 115 were placed in welfare centers, parishes and institutions of the Church.

### 3. VOCATIONAL SERVICE

*Professional consultation*

The staff maintain consultative relationships with precollege youth concerning vocations and college preparation; with college students on a more personal vocational counseling basis; and with graduate students and young professional people (particularly regarding opportunities other than the pastorate) for service in the Church. This naturally has developed wide contacts with those who seek the services of highly qualified people for the various types of professions within the Church. The office of the Board makes available to the Church technical information and specialized resources for the use of those preparing for or who already are in professional work.

*Placement service*

The Board maintains a Teachers' Bureau which serves the institutions associated with the National Lutheran Educational Conference. Mr. Wickey has direct supervision of this service to all Lutheran educational institutions. For scores of teachers data sheets and letters of recommendation were mimeographed and sent to all Lutheran colleges.

Displaced European professional people have found opportunities for personal and professional rehabilitation in America, particularly in the institutions associated with the National Lutheran Educational Conference. A synopsis of the qualifications of several hundred professional people was prepared by Miss Winston, and 400 copies of it were circulated by the Division of Welfare of the National Lutheran Council. The majority of persons listed have come to America.

### 4. CHURCH FELLOWSHIPS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

As reported two years ago, this type of service has become one of the most significant phases of the Board's work. Fellowships are financial grants to persons preparing in graduate and professional schools for some definite service to the Church. Scholarships are financial grants to persons preparing in colleges and other undergraduate educational institutions for the ministry or some other form of Christian service. Notes are signed by those not now engaged in the work of the Church, and all holders of grants understand that if service is not rendered to the Church for a period of years, the grants shall be repaid.

During the years 1948-50, 61 fellowships amounting to $19,357 were granted to 46 different persons, of whom 21 are pastors in parishes, 18 are members of seminary and college faculties in active service or on leave of absence, and 6 are serving boards and agencies of the Church. Scholarships amounting to $11,598 were granted to 40 different persons from the following synods: California, Canada, Icelandic, Pacific, Slovak Zion, Western Canada, and British Guiana.

In addition to the above, scholarships amounting to $1,700 were granted from the Scholarship and Loan Fund for Women to 7 young women. From the income of the Lutheran College for Women Fund $2,600 was granted to 7 young women.

Two young men were given grants from the Men's Loan Fund in the total amount of $1,700 for the two years. This amount will be repaid.

These grants have been of value in increasing the efficiency of pastors, strengthening seminary and college faculties, and developing workers for parishes at home and the mission fields abroad.

### 5. A PROGRAM FOR CHURCH VOCATIONS

With the expansion of the Board's activity in the field of church vocations, some type of organization of the program over a period of years is desirable. The aim of this program is:

1. To enrich and to guide student youth who have accepted the basic Christian vocation in their choice of life work.

2. To make special presentations of the needs and opportunities for full-time church vocations.

3. To help make available proper means for the selection of students for full-time church vocations.

4. To help make available financial assistance for a limited number of qualified students for graduate and undergraduate study.

5. To maintain a placement service for persons prepared to serve in a church vocation.

These aims will be accomplished:

1. By making available to student youth information about the life and program of the Church.

2. By making available to committees of synods, educational institutions, and individuals information and assistance concerning trained personnel for counseling service, effective counseling and vocational guidance procedures and materials for guidance in counseling.

3. By co-operation with boards, agencies, and synods as desirable in their personnel program of selection, training, and placement of candidates for church vocations.

4. By advising institutions in regard to curricula for the preparation of students to meet needs in the Church.

5. By developing fellowship and scholarship funds to be used through the Board for assisting persons of need and promise, and consulting with synods and institutions regarding fellowship and scholarship resources for church vocations.

It is planned to hold the Christian Career Conferences in all our colleges during a two-year period. Each year certain synods will be selected in which conferences will be held to assist their committees and pastors in their recruitment of men for the ministry and women for church vocations. Each year the Summer Service Project will be conducted with such expansion as staff and funds allow. For selected college and university students, conferences will be held each year in different sections of the Church for the purpose of presenting to them the challenge of the ministry and of a full-time service to the Church. Workshops will be conducted for the student secretaries of the Women's Missionary Society in a different section of the Church each year.

The printed material of the Board will be developed accordingly. During 1950-51 it is planned to prepare a vocational counseling manual for pastors and leaders, a general vocational pamphlet for college students, and special folders on the ministry, teaching, nursing, and missions, the latter in co-operation with the Board of Foreign Missions. During 1951-52 folders in other areas of church vocations will be prepared and printed as funds allow.

In this manner the Board of Education hopes to fulfill its responsibility in assuring to the Church an adequate number of effective Christian leaders for tomorrow. (*See Recommendation 11.*)

## III. Seeking the Facts

### 1. COMPETITIVE SCHOLARSHIP PLAN

By the 1948 convention of the Church, the Board of Education was instructed "to study the subject of competitive scholarships for worthy and needy Lutheran students who wish to enter one or another of the U.L.C.A. colleges, and to report its findings to the next biennial convention of the U.L.C.A. (Minutes, 1948—p 359).

This problem has taken much time of the Staff and of the meetings of the Board. Scholarship plans of other churches were studied. Since no funds have been provided for a plan of any nature, the Board deemed it desirable to prepare the principles and structure of a plan which might be acceptable, if and when funds are available. Fully conscious of the large amount of office work which any desirable plan will involve, the following plan was approved by the Board and is now submitted to the Church for its consideration.

*I. Objectives of the Plan*

1. To awaken larger interest in our worthy and deserving students on the part of the Church.

2. To encourage a larger number of worthy high school graduates in attending the colleges of our Church.

3. To develop a larger interest in the cause of Christian higher education.

*II. Phases of the Plan*

1. *What will be the number and amount of scholarships offered?*

This will vary with the total amount available for scholarships and the amount assigned to each scholarship. For the present the Board of Education will offer ten two-year scholarships of $1,000 each ($500 per year). This amounts to a total of $5,000 for the first year and $10,000 for every year thereafter that the plan is in effect.

2. *Who may enter the contest?*

Any boy or girl who is (1) in the senior year of an accredited secondary school (or a recent graduate who has done no college work); and who is (2) a communing member of The United Lutheran Church in America.

3. *How is the contest entered?*

The applicant writes to the office of the Board of Education for application form and necessary information.

4. *What are the requirements?*

1) Preliminary Requirements

a) An application form properly filled out. This will include personal data, high school activities and honors, church work, and names for reference, including the pastor and high school principal.

b) Applicant's academic record to date

c) An autobiography of about 500 words.

d) An essay of not less than 500 words and not more than 1,000 words, on the subject, "Why I Desire to Attend a Church-related Liberal Arts College?"

2) Examinations

Actual examinations will be given to all contestants successfully completing the preliminary requirements. These will include: (*a*) a test of mental ability, and (*b*) scholastic achievement tests. Where possible, these examinations will be given at the school presently attended by the contestant.

5. *How will the contest be judged?*

1) A committee appointed by the Board of Education will select the winners of the contest.

2) A scholarship will be awarded on the following basis: high rank on test grades; better than average high school work; favorable recommendations; has well-rounded activities; shows clear, logical thinking in essay; and has exhibited, in autobiography and elsewhere, indications of maturity, earnest purpose, and the capacity to profit by what a church college has to offer.

6. *When will the contest be held?*

1) Completed application form, recommendations, academic record, autobiography and essay must be postmarked not later than December 15 of the year preceding the one in which scholarships are granted. None will be accepted if postmarked later than that date.

2) Tests are to be given during the second full week in February of the year in which scholarships are granted. Test papers are to be returned by the school authorities to the office of the Board of Education, postmarked not later than February 15. The Board will be responsible for the scoring.

3) Contestants will receive notification of the contest results by April 1.

7. *How is scholarship money granted?*

The scholarship money is made available directly to the college attended by a successful contestant for the college year beginning the following September, except where the sum for the tuition and other academic or curricular college expenses is less than the amount of the scholarship, in which case the balance will be paid to the student.

8. *What institutions may be attended?*

The successful contestant must select one of the colleges related to The United Lutheran Church in America. The scholarship money will be paid only to such colleges.

9. *How will the plan be administered?*

1) The plan will be directed and supervised by the Board of Education with the responsibility assigned to a secretary.

2) The plan will require reports from the colleges on all holders of scholarships.

### *III. Values of the Plan*

1. Pastors will become better acquainted with and interested in worthy students who should be encouraged to attend college. It is reported that 50 per cent of the capable high school graduates do not attend college. This has been called a "tragic waste of human resources."

2. Lutheran youth will be helped to study at our own Lutheran colleges.

3. Our Lutheran colleges will become more interested in our outstanding Lutheran youth. A complete list of all contestants will be furnished all the U.L.C.A. colleges for the purpose of supplying information and bulletins.

4. Lutheran youth will become more interested in Christian higher education. The study necessary to do the written work, especially preparing the essay on "Why I Desire to Attend a Church-related Liberal Arts College" will awaken an interest in Christian higher education for many thousands of our church members who otherwise would never have given any or much thought to the subject.

5. The students thus aided will be potential leaders for the Church.

6. People of means will be led to contribute to the Competitive Scholarship Fund, thereby relieving the Church of the necessity of taking the full amount from the apportionment. In fact, it is quite likely that an endowed fund might be obtained to underwrite the total annual needed to support the plan. (*See Recommendations 4 and 5.*)

## 2. INTER-LUTHERAN POST-GRADUATE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

At the 1948 convention of the Church, the Board of Education was directed

> "to confer with the proper officials of other Lutheran bodies interested in the establishment of an Inter-Lutheran Post-Graduate Theological Seminary, to determine with such officials the details of a feasible plan, and to report at the next convention" (Minutes, 1948, p. 479).

The report of the Joint Committee of official representatives from four constituent bodies of the National Lutheran Council was presented to the Board of Education, and approved. This report is submitted herewith in fulfillment of the direction of the 1948 convention.

### *An Inter-Lutheran Post-Graduate Theological Seminary*

A Joint Committee of official representatives from four constituent bodies of the National Lutheran Council, appointed for the purpose of studying the problem of establishing an Inter-Lutheran Post-Graduate Theological Seminary, has approved this report and directed that it be transmitted to the participating bodies in the Committee and also to all bodies of the Council. The Joint Committee sincerely hopes that the report will be presented at the next convention of each body and a vote taken on participation in this cooperative project.

### I. *Background*

The subject of an Inter-Lutheran Post-Graduate Theological Seminary has been under discussion by various groups for several years. At its January 1948 meeting, in Richmond, Virginia, the National Lutheran Council received a report from a special committee, representing its constituent bodies, on this subject. After extensive discussion, the Council adopted a report and transmitted it to the constituent bodies. This report recognized the inadequacies of the present situation, admitted the need for and desirability of such a seminary, summarized its purposes and functions, and then briefly described its organization and control, faculty, size and scholarship, possible location, and financial support.

Each church body received the report and took action in accordance with its interest. The official actions received by the Joint Committee are recorded as information.

> *The American Lutheran Church* voted, WHEREAS, There exists a genuine need for one Lutheran post-graduate seminary, large and influential enough to fulfill its functions and to have the prestige and respect of theological circles, and
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> WHEREAS, Such a post-graduate seminary could be established if it would have the co-operation and support of the major Lutheran bodies in America and if this support would be so wide that there might not arise other competing Lutheran post-graduate schools. Therefore, be it *Resolved,* That the American Lutheran Church express its willingness to co-operate in establishing such a post-graduate seminary, and Be it further *Resolved,* That the American Lutheran Church direct its Board of Christian Higher Education to confer with officials of other Lutheran bodies on this proposal and to report to the next convention of the Church.
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> *The Augustana Lutheran Church* reports this action:
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> *Resolved,* That a committee of three be appointed to explore the possibility of establishing an All-Lutheran Post-Graduate Seminary. We instruct the committee to explore further the possibility of establishing such a post-graduate seminary as an independent institution not related to an already existing seminary. The committee is also instructed to meet with committees authorized by other bodies of the National Lutheran Council. If further negotiations along the line suggested prove to be impossible or unfruitful, the committee is authorized to present alternate plans. The committee is further instructed to report its findings and recommendations to the Executive Council.

*The United Lutheran Church in America* amended its constitution so as to provide for co-operation with other Lutheran bodies in establishing and maintaining an Inter-Lutheran Post-Graduate Theological Seminary. The amendment reads as follows:

> To express outwardly the spiritual unity of Lutheran congregations and synods, to cultivate co-operation among all Lutherans in the promotion of the general interests of the Church, to seek the unification of all Lutherans in one orthodox faith; and in order to furnish such spiritual unity and co-operation, to establish, maintain and operate, in conjunction with other Lutheran general bodies, a Post-Graduate Lutheran theological seminary; and thus to develop and unfold the specific Lutheran principle and practice and make their strength effective.

Then, the *United Lutheran Church* voted,

> That The United Lutheran Church in America direct the Board of Education to confer with the proper officials of other Lutheran bodies interested in the establishment of an Inter-Lutheran Post-Graduate Theological Seminary, to determine with such officials the details of a feasible plan, and to report at the next convention.

### II. *Special Committees Appointed and Convened*

Four bodies authorized committees to discuss the project. The bodies and their representatives are:

*American Lutheran Church*
Dean E. C. Fendt, D.D.
President Bernard J. Holm, Ph.D.
William L. Young, Ph.D.
*Augustana Lutheran Church*
Rev. O. A. Benson, D.D.
Rev. Leonard Kendall, S.T.D.

President Karl E. Mattson, D.D.

*Evangelical Lutheran Church*

President J. A. Aasgaard, Th.D.
President T. F. Gullixson, D.D.
Rev. G. M. Bruce, Ph.D.
Rev. Martin Anderson, D.D.
Rev J. C. K. Preus, D.D.

*United Lutheran Church*

Rev. Paul C. White, Ph.D.
President Paul Hoh, D.D.
President Armin G. Weng, Ph.D.
Rev. Gould Wickey, Ph.D.

At the call of Dr. Gould Wickey, these representatives met in joint session on September 27, 1949, in Chicago, Illinois. Dr. Wickey was elected chairman and Dr. Bernard J. Holm, secretary. Additional meetings were held on March 3 and May 1, 1950, in Chicago.

### III. *Conviction of the Joint Committee*

At the meeting of the Joint Committee, matters were considered frankly and fully. Careful attention was given to the actions of the various Lutheran bodies, the resolutions of the National Lutheran Council, the Conference of Lutheran Professors of Theology, and the opinions of individuals, both pro and con, as printed in the issues of *The Lutheran Church Quarterly,* April and July, 1948, Volume XXI, Numbers 2 and 3, pp. 107-136, 258-285.

It is the sense of this Committee: (1) That there is an imperative need for an inter-Lutheran post-graduate theological seminary; (2) that no individual Lutheran church body can be expected to make adequate provision for the discharge of the Church's responsibility for post-graduate theological training; and (3) that the establishment of such an institution shall not await final developments with respect to the present movements looking toward union of certain Lutheran bodies. Further, this Committee believes (4) that all bodies of the National Lutheran Council shall be approached on this question; (5) that, even if all do not choose to go along in the establishment of such an institution, the four bodies at present officially represented on this Committee shall proceed to take the necessary steps for the establishment of a post-graduate theological seminary on a co-operative basis; and (6) that the Lutheran seminaries now offering the degree of Master of Theology shall be encouraged to continue such graduate studies.

### IV. *Purpose, Confessional Position, Government, and Operation*

In order to give a tangible perspective of the purpose, confessional position, government, and operation, the Committee sets forth the following:

A. *Purposes.* The purposes of an Inter-Lutheran Post-Graduate Theological Seminary graduates.

1. To provide post-graduate training in theology for pastors and other seminary graduates.

2. To provide a center for Lutheran research.

3. To encourage commitment to confessional Lutheranism and to increase its impact upon contemporary thought and life.

4. To provide training for certain specialized fields of work in the Church.

5. To fulfill such other functions as may be proper to a Lutheran post-graduate school of theology.

B. *Confessional Position.* This institution shall be founded upon and be faithful and loyal to the confessional position of the Lutheran Church in accordance with the following declaration:

I. This seminary receives and holds the canonical Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as the inspired Word of God and as the only infallible rule and standard of faith and practice, according to which all doctrines and teachers are to be judged.

II. This seminary receives and holds as correct statements of the teachings of the Word of God, the Apostles', the Nicene, and the Athanasian Creeds, and the Unaltered Augsburg Confession and Luther's Small Catechism. This seminary also recognizes the Apology of the Augsburg Confession, the Smalkald Articles, Luther's Large Catechism, and the Formula of Concord as further elaboration and summary of the faith of the evangelical

Lutheran Church.

C. *Government.* The Inter-Lutheran Post-Graduate Theological Seminary shall be duly incorporated and shall be governed by a Board of Directors consisting of not less than 15 nor more than 25 members who shall be elected by the participating bodies for a term of 6 years, on a quota basis. Each body of less than 100,000 confirmed members shall be entitled to one representative on the Board, and each body with a confirmed membership in excess of 100,000 shall be entitled to an additional representative on said Board of Directors for each 200,000 confirmed members. On this basis, the four major bodies, now represented on this Joint Committee, shall be entitled to the following representation:

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| United Lutheran Church ............ | 7 |
| Evangelical Lutheran Church .... | 3 |
| American Lutheran Church ...... | 3 |
| Augustana Lutheran Church .... | 2 |

Each of the four other constituent bodies of the National Lutheran Council shall be entitled to one representative on the Board of Directors. This would make a possible total membership, at present, of 19. It is suggested that the bodies with two or more representatives should stagger the terms at the first election so as to provide a continuity of experienced members on the Board.

D. *Fields of Study.* This institution shall offer courses in the major theological fields: namely, exegetical, historical, systematic, and practical, always strictly on the post-graduate level, either by its own facilities or by arrangements with other theological institutions of equal rank and standing.

E. *Faculty.* The professors of this institution shall be men of acknowledged scholarly attainments, recognized for their Christian character, their research and teaching abilities, and their faithfulness and loyalty to the Word of God and the Lutheran Confessions.

The size of the faculty shall be adequate to meet the standards of accreditation and the needs of students. At the start, the faculty shall probably consist of not fewer than four full-time professors, with additional part-time lecturers from America and Europe.

F. *Academic Relations.* Preliminary arrangements with institutions of learning, secular and theological, institutes of social and clinical studies and work, libraries and museums, shall be made prior to the actual opening of the seminary so as to insure adequate facilities for a really worth-while post-graduate institution. Such academic relations shall be, as far as possible, on a reciprocal basis consistent with the purpose, independence, and autonomy of the proposed seminary.

G. *Degrees.* This institution shall confer the degrees of Master of Theology and Doctor of Theology, in accordance with recognized academic standards, in its own name and under its own auspices. Candidates seeking the degree of Doctor of Philosophy may pursue courses provided by this institution in conjunction with courses pursued at universities with which this institution may sustain academic relations, with the understanding that the degree of Ph.D. shall be conferred by the university in question, and not by the proposed institution, since the degree of Ph.D. is regarded as a university degree and not a theological degree.

H. *Library.* In light of possible relations with libraries adequate for research in theological fields, this library shall endeavor to build unique and distinctive sections in Lutherana and biblical subjects.

I. *Housing.* As a beginning, adequate rental housing at a reasonable cost shall be sought in order to avoid the inevitable delay involved in financing and erecting a suitable building or buildings for the venture.

J. *Location.* In order to serve its purposes this institution shall be located so as to insure its permanent independence of any and all academic entanglements with already existing institutions of learning which may tend to hamper the free exercise of its independence and autonomy.

In order to attain the high degree of

academic standing and adequately meet the requirements of such a post-graduate theological seminary as contemplated, without the necessity of incurring prohibitive capital investments in buildings, library and research staff, this institution shall be located in an area which offers the greatest possible advantages in terms of cultural background, institutions of higher learning, library and clinical facilities which may be capitalized on with the least possible capital outlay.

Further, such an institution shall establish and maintain contacts with world scholarship and research, especially with Europe, particular the Scandinavian countries, Germany, England, and France.

The Joint Committee surveyed the possibilities of establishing such a seminary at Minneapolis, Chicago, New York, New Haven, or Washington, and found that, at the present time, New York City seems to be the logical location. However the definite location shall be decided by the governing body after an extensive survey of possibilities and a careful study of problems involved.

K. *Finances.* The cost of establishing and operating the proposed seminary shall be borne by the participating bodies on a pro rata basis of confirmed membership. In addition, there shall be income from the tuition and fees paid by students and from possible endowment.

Assuming that property is rented for the first years, the Joint Committee suggests as a reasonable annual budget the following:

### I. A Suggested Budget

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| 1. Administration | $ 5,500.00 |
| 2. Instruction | 30,500.00 |
| 3. Library | 7,000.00 |
| 4. Operation and Maintenance | 9,600.00 |
| 5. Promotion | 2,600.00 |
| 6. General | 2,700.00 |
| Total | $57,900.00 |

### II. Some Comments

1. Since the president will be a teacher, only part of his salary is included under this item. The office secretary should be a person capable of assisting in preparation of bulletins and catalogues.

2. This item includes the salaries of four full-time professors and honorarii for special lectures and addresses. Scholars from Europe will be obtained for special subjects during stated periods.

3. While the library would not duplicate books easily obtained elsewhere and near by, nevertheless, for many years large sums of money would be needed to build unique and distinctive sections in Lutherana and biblical subjects.

4. It is difficult to estimate expenditures for this item, so much depending upon the amount of space obtained and the rental conditions.

5. The greatest promotion of the institution will be the scholarship of the faculty. However, it will be necessary to give attention to printed items, such as advertising, bulletins and catalogues, and to personal contacts. The contacts of faculty members in learned societies, educational conferences, and church conventions are excellent for them, for the institution, and for the Church.

6. This section includes public occasions, membership in learned societies, pensions and social security, and miscellaneous.

### V. *Recommendations*

1. That the four bodies represented on this Joint Committee be asked to approve this report at their conventions in 1950 and to implement such action. Other Lutheran bodies are asked to express their readiness to participate in this co-operative venture.

2. That each body implement such action by (1) electing (appointing) its quota of representatives on the first Board of Directors; and (2) voting its fair share of the budget, which will be authorized by the Board of Directors after it is organized.

3. That the proper official of each body be asked to report the full statement of the action taken to the chairman of this Committee as soon as possible after the close of the Convention.

4. That, if the four bodies, represented

on this Joint Committee take favorable action, the duly elected (appointed) members of the Board of Directors be called together by the chairman of the Joint Committee for the first meeting. The Board of Directors shall then elect officers, receive any suggestions and directions for the establishment of the proposed seminary, and take necessary steps to prepare a constitution for the approval of supporting bodies at their next conventions and to select a location. After such approval of the constitution, the Board of Directors shall proceed to obtain articles of incorporation and to call a faculty.

Respectfuly submitted,
Gould Wickey, *Chairman*
Bernard J. Holm, *Secretary*

(*See Recommendations 6-10, p. 794.*)

### 3. THE JUNIOR COLLEGE SITUATION

The 1948 convention of the Church voted,

> "That the Board of Education continue its study of the junior college field to include the future relation between the church-related college and the junior college."

Denominations have not jumped for the junior college program, as some persons in 1948 thought they would. Communities have not rushed to establish more colleges as was anticipated in 1948. Four-year colleges have not been reduced to the level of two-year colleges as some prophesied. The Board of Education will continue its observations and study and will report when something of vital significance is available.

The 1948 convention of the Church also voted,

> "That the Board of Education be directed to confer with the proper officials of other Lutheran bodies to ascertain the desirability of establishing any new junior colleges on an inter-Lutheran basis through the co-operation of a synod (or synods) of The United Lutheran Church in America."

A conference was held with the proper officials of the American Lutheran Church, the Augustana Lutheran Church, the Evangelical Lutheran Church and the Suomi Synod regarding the situation in the state of Michigan. The result of that conference was a recommendation that the Suomi Synod should maintain and enlarge the program of Suomi College.

Conferences have been held with the proper officials of the American Lutheran Church and the Evangelical Lutheran Church regarding the possibilities of a junior college in the state of California. These conferences will be continued, and a detailed study of the situation will be made.

### 4. THE STUDENT CENSUS

The Student Census is an annual survey of the college youth from the standpoints of: the home congregation, institution attended, and vocational preference. The census is the only means by which the Church can judge the personalized interest of congregations in higher education and the proportionate attendance at Lutheran colleges.

The names of students are used by student pastors and counselors, personnel committees of boards and agencies and by congregations and synodical committees to maintain a personal contact with students.

For the academic year 1948-49, 17,966 names of students were reported. Of this number 11,323 were men and 6,643 were women. As to types of schools attended: 2,950 were in Lutheran schools, 6,813 in state schools, 1,253 in nursing and 6,950 in others. For the year 1949-50, 18,142 names were reported, of which 11,483 were men and 6,659 were women. Lutheran schools registered 2,925; state schools 6,890; nursing schools 1,424; and others 6,903.

### 5. MEN FOR THE MINISTRY

Article II of the Constitution of the Board of Education states in part: "The object of this Board shall be . . . to stimulate the supply of candidates for the ministry; to administer the work of ministerial education for co-operating Synods . . ."

For many years the Board of Education has emphasized the importance of personnel in the ministry of the Church and the urgent necessity of securing not only more but better men to prepare for the gospel ministry. Realizing that without a strong, consecrated, well-trained ministry the work of the Church will not go forward, the Board has repeatedly urged that synods give greater attention to the development of sound procedures of recruiting, selecting, and guiding men for the ministry. Through conferences, printed pamphlets and articles, addresses, interviews and correspondence with students, the Board has sought to keep before the youth of the Church the basic Christian view of vocation, and to challenge our ablest young men with the opportunities and claims of the gospel ministry.

With the addition of a new secretary to that staff of the Board, directed to give special attention to men for the ministry, the Board is prepared to be of greater service to the institutions and synods of the Church in this vital phase of its work.

### *Need and supply*

In May 1950, a letter was sent to all synodical presidents requesting an estimate of the present need within their synods for new ministers to fill vacant parishes and to start new missions. Twenty-one synods (with a total of 3,195 congregations) reported 153 vacant churches which are in need of pastors (one out of every 21 churches). On a proportional basis, it is estimated that there are approximately 197 churches in the U.L.C.A. in need of a pastor at the present time. The same synods reported that an average of 38 pastors are needed annually to start new missions, or approximately 49 for the entire church. These figures indicate that, at the present time, the synods need approximately 246 new pastors to fill vacant churches and to start new missions. More could be used if additional funds for missions were available.

The 21 synods replying to the questionnaire reported that 84 new pastors are needed annually to replace those who die or retire. On a proportional basis, the figure would be 108 for the entire Church.

In addition to the synods, the Board of Foreign Missions and the Board of Social Missions reported that approximately 18 new ministers are required annually to meet their needs. Many more could be used if additional funds were available.

From these figures we can conclude that approximately 264 new pastors are needed in the United Lutheran Church at the present time. The estimated annual need for new ministers is about 175. In 1950 there will be about 128 students graduating from the nine seminaries of the Church. This is not enough to meet the present need for new pastors.

Chaplains at U.L.C.A. colleges reported a total of 444 men, from U.L.C.A. congregations, enrolled as pretheological students. Ninety-eight National Lutheran Council student pastors reported 74 students, from U.L.C.A. congregations, who are planning to enter the ministry. From these two sources, therefore, the Board has gathered the names of 518 U.L.C.A. men for the ministry who are now in college. Undoubtedly, there are many more whose names have not been reported to the Board. The chairmen of synodical committees on ministerial education reported a total of 532 pretheological students on their rolls at the present time.

### *Recruitment of men for the ministry*

In December 1949, a letter was sent to the chairmen of all synodical committees on ministerial education requesting "a brief statement of what your committee is doing to stimulate the supply of candidates for the ministry." Only 12 synods replied. Of these, only six make a special effort to recruit able young men for the ministry. The following methods of recruiting were reported:

1) A letter to all pastors requesting the names of prospective students for the ministry. Letters of encouragement sent to these boys.

2) Luther League rallies used as an opportunity for presenting the challenge of the ministry.

3) Banquet for prospective men for the ministry held in connection with synodical conference meetings.

4) Stimulate the interest of pastors at meetings of synod.

5) Informal dinner meetings with a pastor-picked group of young men.

6) Life service institutes in different areas of the synod.

7) Bring groups of interested young men to spend a day on the church college campus.

8) Maintain a cross file of all these young men by years of graduation and church affiliation for follow-up by mailing literature and personal visits.

During the past year, Board secretaries have spoken at Luther League rallies and before Sunday schools presenting the claims of the gospel ministry and other church vocations. Wherever possible, interviews are held with young men expressing interest in the ministry.

From June 22, 1949 to May 2, 1950, the Executive Secretary of the Brotherhood sent to the Board the names and addresses of 387 Lutheran Boy Scouts making application for the Pro Deo et Patria award. A letter was sent to each of these boys congratulating him on his achievement in scouting and participation in church activities and presenting the need of the Church for able and consecrated leadership. Enclosed with the letter were two Board pamphlets, "Going To Be?" and "So You Are Going To Be a Pastor." Thirty-one boys replied expressing a definite interest in the ministry. These boys also received a Vocational Interest Record blank and their names were placed in the file of prospective candidates for further contact. Many letters have been received from pastors and parents expressing appreciation for the Board's interest in these young men.

There were 584 Vocational Interest Record blanks filled out at the 1949 Christian Service institutes and sent to the Board by the Parish and Church School Board. Of those who filled out the blanks, 35 expressed interest in the ministry as their lifework. Letters and pamphlets on the ministry were sent to these men and their names placed in the file of prospective candidates.

Christian Career conferences were held at 12 U.L.C.A. colleges, at which time the opportunities and claims of church vocations were presented to a total of 4,865 students. At each conference a special meeting was held for students interested in the ministry. Additional contacts were made through personal interviews and information obtained for the Board's records.

Of the 29 formal applications for Summer Service positions from men students, 17 expressed an interest in the ministry, and 7 were already in seminary.

During the year the Board received requests from pastors for over 10,555 copies of the pamphlet "So You Are Going To Be A Pastor." Other Board pamphlets on the ministry were given wide distribution at Christian Career conferences, youth rallies, and vocational institutes and conferences.

Two new filmstrips on the ministry have been added to the Board's library of audio-visual aids. They are: "Look at the Ministry" (revised) and "It's Your Life" (recorded script). These and other filmstrips on church vocations were used at many of the Board's vocational conferences during the past year. They are available free of charge, upon request.

*Subsidization of men for the ministry*

In 1934 the Board made "A Study of Beneficiary Ministerial Education" revealing an extreme spread in synodical practices of granting aid to candidates for the ministry. Forms and procedures were developed by the Board of Education and approved by the Church and are now in use in many synods. However, there still remains such wide variation in practices among synods as to make the present situation most unhealthy. Most of the suggestions incorporated in the report of the 1934 study are still valid.

Several synods have requested that the Board renew its study of subsidization of ministerial candidates within the synods of the Church and attempt to bring about more uniform procedures. It is hoped that this will be done through the joint meetings of synodical committees mentioned above.

The points at which synods vary the most in their subsidization procedures are: (1) amount of aid granted in college and seminary; (2) year of schooling in which aid is started; (3) basis upon which aid is granted, i.e., need, college grades, fitness for the ministry, etc.; (4) terms or repayment; and (5) stipulations imposed on beneficiaries, i.e., college and seminary to attend, marriage, academic standing to be maintained, etc.

The great variation among synods in matters of subsidization is clearly indicated in information received from several synods. However, an insufficient number of synods have provided data on this subject to make a desirable exhibit.

The time is ripe for a thorough study to be made of the practices of subsidization of candidates for the ministry throughout the entire Church. Such a study will indicate areas of wide variation and prepare the way for a fresh consideration of the matter by the synods. While synodical aid has been a great blessing in the training of men for the ministry, if indiscriminately and carelessly handled it can be harmful and demoralizing. While strict uniformity is neither desirable nor possible, synods should work together toward common agreement on the basic principles and procedures involved.

During the year a study was made of subsidization of men for the ministry in 16 Protestant denominations. The results of the study reveal that with few exceptions, the United Lutheran Church is more generous and extensive in its ministerial aid than other Protestant denominations.

Synods reported that 185 (34.8 per cent) pretheological students, and 147 (40.7 per cent) seminary students are receiving synodical aid at the present time.

*Counseling and guidance of men for the ministry*

Since the quality of men entering the ministry is of primary importance, the Church must seek to develop the resources whereby candidates for the ministry are given adequate counseling and guidance. All Christians are called to a life of dedicated Christian service, but all do not possess the qualities to make effective ministers, even though they may have a strong desire to enter the ministry.

More and more, synods are making an effort to interview all candidates under their care, regardless of whether or not they are beneficiaries. This is an improvement over the practice that still exists in some synods, whereby synodical committees make careful investigation only of those students who apply for aid. However, even when synodical committees interview all candidates, it is often difficult on the basis of observation and questioning to make a true appraisal of a candidate's fitness or accurately detect qualities which may make for difficulty in the ministry. Through carefully selected psychological tests, properly administered and interpreted, helpful clues may be obtained regarding a person's personality, mental ability, emotional stability, vocational interest and aptitude, etc., which can be of real help in providing a basis for effective counseling and "screening" of candidates for the ministry. Extreme care should be taken, however, that such a testing and counseling program does not become a mechanical procedure whereby men are "kept out" of the ministry.

The Episcopal Church and the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. are now developing an extensive testing and counseling program given to all candidates for the ministry. Some theological schools give all first year students a battery of psychological tests followed by counseling. At least one synod in the U.L.C.A. is now investigating the feasibility of initiating such a program.

At present the Board is seeking to aid the colleges of the Church in developing better student counseling and guidance services. Some of our larger schools are already staffed with specially trained counselors prepared to give tests and render vocational guidance. It is hoped that in the near future all of our schools will be able to offer this service on a professional basis. With such resources at hand, candidates for the ministry attending U.L.C.A. colleges should be given skillful counseling and guidance prior to entering seminary. If synodical committees on ministerial education develop close working relationships with personnel staffs at our Church colleges, they should be better prepared to evaluate the fitness of their candidates and to guide them in areas of needed development.

The Board is now in the process of preparing a manual to aid pastors and youth leaders in counseling with young people on church vocations, especially the ministry.

### 6. Church Vocations for Women

This report was prepared after consultation with executives and educators in official positions within the Church and a study of the survey made by the Board of Deaconess Work, in which the staff of the Board of Education co-operated, which included all congregations, boards and agencies of the United Lutheran Church and those related to it.

It is impossible to give an accurate statement of the vocational situation for women in the Church because:

1) There is no central agency to which all congregations, boards, and agencies in the Church may go for employed personnel. Officers of synods, institutional administrators, boards and agencies all have a certain part in this problem both as to recruiting, training, and placement.

2) Because of this situation which grows directly out of the polity of the United Lutheran Church, there are many duplications of requests for employed personnel.

3) Except in highly official circles, it is impossible to distinguish at all times between wishful inquiry for the services of women in the Church and the actual ability of the congregation or agency to assume full responsibility financially and in the use of the services of a woman.

According to the survey there were 832 women serving in the Church. The same survey also indicated that 438 additional women could be used, making a total of 1,270 women.

The immediate minimum needs are: 140 deaconesses, 50 parish workers, 37 foreign missionaries, 25 social workers, and such college faculty and staff personnel as student enrollments and certain standards indicate.

### 7. Training Programs and Standards for Women Church Workers

With the increase in the number of women participating in the work of the Church on a full-time basis, it has become necessary to prepare desirable standards so that both students and institutions may be guided accordingly.

Because of its extended experience in training deaconesses, the Board of Deaconess Work has seen this situation with the many problems involved. As a result of a request to the Executive Board, the Board of Education appointed a committee to confer with committees from both the Executive Board and the Board of Deaconess Work.

The conference of these three committees resulted in asking the Board of Education to call a free conference. The free conference considered: the need of the Church for full-time women workers, the standards for adequately meeting the need, and a plan to prepare workers under those standards.

The findings of the free conference were submitted to another meeting of the three committes. The conclusions of this point conference were submitted to the Board of Deaconess Work and the Board of Education; then, after some changes approved by both boards, were transmitted to the Executive Board.

The Board of Education believes that the training programs for full-time women church workers should be in accordance with the highest standards and that the educational institutions of the Church will co-operate to that end.

## IV. Promoting the Cause

### 1. The Printed and Spoken Word

Besides the direct service rendered to seminaries and colleges, and in the field of church vocations, the Board of Education takes every opportunity to promote the cause of Christian higher education.

During the biennium the Staff delivered 557 addresses at church services, conferences, synods, conventions, assemblies, Sunday schools, Luther Leagues, and at the chapel and convocation services of colleges, seminaries and universities. Interviews were held with 4,367 persons. There were visits to 58 different institutions, of which 37 were Lutheran.

The brochure, *Going to a Lutheran College*, has become a permanent contribution to the literature of the Board and was issued in a revised edition. It is prepared for the information of pastors, parents, and advisers of youth planning for college.

The folder, "For Such a Time as This," was in great demand and used extensively by pastors during the CHEY Appeal.

Advertisements and articles in *The Lutheran, Lutheran Men, Luther League Review*, and articles in *Lutheran Woman's Work* have been of special value in calling the attention of the membership of the Church to the cause of Christian higher education and to the seminaries and colleges.

### 2. Agencies of Co-operation

*Women's Missionary Society*

Miss Winston continues as a staff and committee member of the Women's Missionary Society. The Annual Student Census, taken by our Board, is a success because of the co-operation of student secretaries in every conference and synodical organization of the Society. Reports were received from 2,856 congregations (71 per cent. The Society's grant to this Board is $10,000, which is used toward the work done by Miss Winston, the Summer Service Project, and scholarships for women.

*Others*

The Board of Education appreciates the valuable assistance given by staff members of the Board of Deaconess Work, the Board of Social Missions, the Parish and Church School Board, the Board of Foreign Missions and the Women's Missionary Society, in carrying out the Christian Career conferences and the Summer Service Training School.

During the CHEY Appeal, the above Boards and Agencies and also leaders in the Brotherhood, the Luther League, the Board of Pensions, and the Board of Publication co-operated in every way.

## V. Administering the Work

### 1. Personnel of the Board

The following constituted the officers of the Board for the biennium, 1948-1950:

*Officers:*

President—Rev. John L. Deaton, D.D.

Vice-President—Rev. Paul C. White, Ph.D.

Secretary—Rev. Gould Wickey, Ph.D.

Treasurer—Mr. Thomas P. Hickman

*Members:*

Terms expiring 1950—Rev. John L. Deaton, D.D.; Rev. William E. Eisenberg; Millard E. Gladfelter, Ph.D., Sc.D.; Miss Helene Hartung, Ph.D.; Alvin H. Schaediger; Rev. Walter A. Voss, D.D.; Rev. Paul C. White, Ph.D.

Terms expiring 1952—George L. Anderson, Ph.D.; Rev. Arthur F. Buehlow; Rev. Lyman H. Grimes; Rev. Gerald G. Neely, D.D.; C. G. Shatzer, Sc.D.; Rev. Paul L. Wetzler, D.D.; Miss A. Barbara Wiegand.

Terms expiring 1954—C. C. Albers, Ph.D.; C. E. Brehm, Ph.D.; H. A. Fisher, LL.D.; Rev. Roger G. Imhoff; Rev. Thomas B. Kline; Rev. Earl F. Rahn, D.D.; Rev. H. Brent Schaeffer, D.D.

*Advisory Members:* Rev. Franklin Clark Fry, D.D., LL.D., Litt.D., L.H.D.—ex-officio, President, The United Lutheran Church in America; Mrs. F. Lee Fresh—representing the Women's Missionary Society, The United Lutheran Church in America.

The Board expresses its deep appreciation for the services rendered by the Rev. John L. Deaton, D.D., and the Rev. William E. Eisenberg, who are not eligible for re-election. Through the years they labored faithfully and manifested deep interest in the cause of Christian higher education. Dr. Deaton, as president, gave much time and sacrificial service in performing the responsibilities of the office.

### 2. Personnel of the Staff

Through the whole biennium the Board had the effective services of the Rev. Gould Wickey, Ph.D., and Miss Mildred E. Winston, A.M., who have labored 21 and 22 years respectively in this cause.

The coming of the Rev. David H. Bremer, Ph.D., to the Board's Staff in September, 1949, has greatly increased the valuable service which the Board can give to the synods, the seminaries and colleges, and the students.

Members of the Staff are known as secretaries of the Board, with Mr. Wickey being the Executive Secretary. Each biennium a directive is given to members of the Staff, indicating areas in which each shall devote time and energy. Besides being responsible for the whole work of the Board, Mr. Wickey renders service to the seminaries and colleges, directs the granting of fellowships and scholarships, administers the teacher's bureau, develops promotion, and conducts special studies. Miss Winston has been given responsibility primarily in the field of church vocations for women. In addition, she directs the Summer Service Project, conducts studies, and assists in promotion. Mr. Bremer has been asked to give a major portion of his time to the field of counseling, developing the program of enlisting men for the ministry, and assisting colleges in their counseling programs. In addition, he conducts studies and assists in promotion. As special areas need more emphasis, the Board authorizes members of the Staff to direct their efforts accordingly. In this manner the Staff can be good stewards of their time and talent.

### 3. Funds of the Board

Through gifts from consecrated individuals, the Board has established these funds: Annuity Fund, Endowment Fund, Ministerial Education Fund, Scholarship and Loan Fund for Women, and Men's Loan Fund. The Treasurer's report of this Board gives the status of these funds. In addition, the Board of Education, in behalf of the Board of Directors of the Lutheran College for Women, is responsible for a fund of $50,000, the income of which is used toward the education of young women for the service of the Lutheran Church.

While these funds are limited, the income has been of great value in aiding men and women in preparing for full-time Christian service. The Board prays that more persons will give of their substance to assist deserving youth in dedicating their lives to service in God's kingdom.

## CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

If Christian leaders are to be prepared and ready for tomorrow, and if "He shall reign for ever and ever" in the world, then the Church must "go, baptizing . . . . and teaching . . . ." Evangelization must not be divorced from education in the whole program of the Church

Gratefully acknowledging the help and guidance of the supreme Head of the Church, Jesus Christ, the Board of Education submits these recommendations for careful consideration and constructive action:

### *Christian Higher Education Year*

1. That The United Lutheran Church in America bow in humility before the Throne of Grace, thanking God for his goodness to us and for his blessing upon the efforts of our people to advance the cause of Christian higher education through the 1950 Appeal. (Adopted, see p. 811)

2. That The United Lutheran Church in America express its appreciation to the Directing Committee for careful attention to basic principles of policy and wise supervision of plans; to Dr. Rees Edgar Tulloss, the General Director, for masterful direction of a most difficult project; to the Director of Publicity, the Rev. Paul Valentiner, to the regional and synodical directors for their loyal and sacrificial service, and to all pastors and laymen who in any manner contributed to making the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal a successful venture. (Adopted, see p. 811)

3. That The United Lutheran Church

in America congratulate those congregations who have met or exceeded their goals, and urge all other congregations to respond in a manner commensurate with their ability, so that the seminaries and colleges may receive even more than the $6,000,000, thereby being more adequately equipped to carry forward the work of Christian education. (Adopted, see p. 811)

*Competitive Scholarship Plan*

4. That The United Lutheran Church in America approve the basic principles and procedure of the competitive scholarship plan. (Amended, see p. 811)

5. That the Board of Education be directed to carry out the competitive scholarship plan to the extent that funds are available for that purpose, with due consideration to the administrative expenses involved. (Adopted, see p. 812)

*Inter-Lutheran Post-Graduate Theological Seminary*

WHEREAS, There is need for an Inter-Lutheran Post-Graduate Theological Seminary, and

WHEREAS, This need can be met best by the establishment and operation of such a seminary jointly by various Lutheran bodies of the National Lutheran Council,

Therefore, be it *Resolved,*

(Amended, see, pp. 812, 1047, 1054)

6. That The United Lutheran Church in America approve the basic plan for an Inter-Lutheran Post-Graduate Theological Seminary as set forth in Section IV of the Report of the Joint Committee.

7. That The United Lutheran Church in America implement such action by directing its Board of Education to elect the assigned number of representatives on the Board of Directors of the Inter-Lutheran Post-Graduate Theological Seminary. (See p. 1047)

8. That The United Lutheran Church in America direct the Board of Education to include in its future budgets, at such time as is necessary, our Church's proportionate share of the expenses of the Inter-Lutheran Post-Graduate Theological Seminary. (See p. 1047)

9. That The United Lutheran Church in America authorize the Executive Board and Board of Education to review and act upon the charter and constitution of the Inter-Lutheran Post-Graduate Theological Seminary prior to the opening of the seminary. (See p. 1047)

10. That the Secretary of The United Lutheran Church in America be instructed to report the full statement of its resolutions to the Chairman of the Joint Committee, who is to be the convener of the first meeting of the Board of Directors. (See p. 1047)

*Church Vocations*

11. That the Board of Education be encouraged to carry out its extensive and intensive emphasis on church vocations, with special reference to more and better men for the ministry, in co-operation with committees of synods, the seminaries, and the colleges. (Adopted, see p. 1047)

*Effective Seminaries and Colleges*

12. That the Board of Education be encouraged to assist and co-operate with the seminaries and colleges in developing more effective programs through a study of their organization and administration, building plans, teaching methods, counseling with students, and religious studies and activities. (Adopted, see p. 1047)

JOHN L. DEATON, *President*
GOULD WICKEY, *Secretary*

## THE BOARD

### Comparative

### *June 30, 1949*

*Assets*

| | June 30, 1950 | | June 30, 1949 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *General Fund:* | | | | |
| Cash in banks | $ 23,910.72 | | $ 23,109.44 | |
| Office furniture and fixtures | 1,788.37 | | 1,987.08 | |
| | | $ 25,699.09 | | $ 25,096.52 |
| *Annuity Fund:* | | | | |
| Cash in banks | $ 1,271.56 | | $ 868.48 | |
| Investments, valued at cost | 49,189.10 | | 48,783.40 | |
| (Market value June 30, 1950 $46,878.66 – June 30, 1949 $45,376.44) | | 50,460.66 | | 49,651.88 |
| *Endowment Fund:* | | | | |
| Cash in banks | $ 277.83 | | $ 443.94 | |
| Investments, valued at cost | 25,056.73 | | 25,522.92 | |
| (Market value June 30, 1950 $23,511.24 – June 30, 1949 $24,261.90) | | 25,334.56 | | 25,966.86 |
| *Permanent Ministerial Education Fund:* | | | | |
| Cash in banks | $ 1,984.41 | | $ 90.67 | |
| Investments, valued at cost | 18,142.61 | | 19,947.50 | |
| (Market value June 30, 1950 $16,896.00 – June 30, 1949 $17,882.91) | | 20,127.02 | | 20,038.17 |
| *Scholarship and Loan Fund for Women:* | | | | |
| Cash in banks | $ 973.75 | | $ 783.51 | |
| Investments, valued at cost | 12,067.86 | | 12,067.86 | |
| (Market value June 30, 1950 $12,253.87 – June 30, 1949 $11,480.53) | | 13,041.61 | | 12,851.37 |
| *Lutheran College for Women:* | | | | |
| Cash in banks | $ 190.99 | | $ 388.04 | |
| Investments, valued at cost | 49,698.42 | | 49,912.21 | |
| (Market value June 30, 1950 $47,767.51 – June 30, 1949 $45,910.29) | | 49,889.41 | | 50,300.25 |
| *Loan Fund for Men:* | | | | |
| Cash in banks | | .... | | 60.00 |
| | | $184,552.35 | | $183,965.05 |

**OF EDUCATION** EXHIBIT “A”

**Balance Sheets**

*and June 30, 1950*

*Liabilities and Funds*

| | June 30, 1950 | | June 30, 1949 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *General Fund:* | | | | |
| Surplus | $ 25,699.09 | | $ 25,096.52 | |
| | | $ 25,699.09 | | $ 25,096.52 |
| *Annuity Fund:* | | | | |
| Face value of annuities | $ 67,850.00 | | $ 67,850.00 | |
| Deficit | (17,389.34) | | (18,198.12) | |
| | | 50,460.66 | | 49,651.88 |
| *Endowment Fund:* | | | | |
| Principal | $ 25,334.56 | | $ 25,966.86 | |
| | | 25,334.56 | | 25,966.86 |
| *Permanent Ministerial Education Fund:* | | | | |
| Principal | $ 20,127.02 | | $ 20,038.17 | |
| | | 20,127.02 | | 20,038.17 |
| *Scholarship and Loan Fund for Women:* | | | | |
| Principal | $ 12,848.74 | | $ 12,851.37 | |
| Unexpended income | 192.87 | | | |
| | | 13,041.61 | | 12,851.37 |
| *Lutheran College for Women:* | | | | |
| Principal | $ 49,631.79 | | $ 50,000.00 | |
| Unexpended income | 257.62 | | 300.25 | |
| | | 49,889.41 | | 50,300.25 |
| *Loan Fund for Men:* | | | | |
| Unexpended balance | | .... | | 60.00 |
| | | $184,552.35 | | $183,965.05 |

Brackets ( ) denote red figures

EXHIBIT "B"

## Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

## General Fund

*July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 and*
*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Receipts:* | | | | |
| Apportionment Budget B—Part I | $165,600.00 | | $172,699.98 | |
| Apportionment Budget B—Part II | .... | | 19,830.00 | |
| Allocation from double apportionment 1948 receipts for teaching fellowships | .... | | 15,000.00 | |
| Advanced for organization expenses, Christian Higher Education Year | 1,916.86 | | 10,000.00 | |
| Income from general board expenses | 33.24 | | 27.03 | |
| | | $167,550.10 | | $217,557.01 |
| Contributions: | | | | |
| Women's Missionary Society | $ 10,000.00 | | $ 10,000.00 | |
| Children of the Church | 1,269.10 | | 1,319.62 | |
| Synods and Parishes | 51.31 | | 1,014.77 | |
| Individuals | .... | | 1,700.00 | |
| | | 11,320.41 | | 14,034.39 |
| Expense refunds from Maryland Synod and others | | 1,765.95 | | .... |
| Investment income, Permanent Ministerial Education Fund | | 1,403.67 | | 713.10 |
| | | $182,040.13 | | $232,304.50 |
| *Disbursements:* | | | | |
| Grants in aid (Schedule III) | $127,954.93 | | $163,162.60 | |
| Service and Promotion (Schedule V) | 32,193.61 | | 24,403.73 | |
| Office and general expense (Schedule V) | 18,450.34 | | 12,186.47 | |
| | | $178,598.88 | | $199,752.80 |
| Special projects: | | | | |
| "Christian Higher Education Year" | $ 1,100.80 | | $ 10,916.86 | |
| Book "The Lutheran Church and its Students" | .... | | 2,827.42 | |
| Special services | .... | | 1,518.00 | |
| Pacific Summer School of Theology | 350.00 | | 375.00 | |
| Southern Conference on Christian Education | 1,189.17 | | .... | |
| | | 2,639.97 | | 15,637.28 |
| | | $181,238.85 | | $215,390.08 |
| *Summary:* | | | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of period | | $ 23,109.44 | | $ 6,195.02 |
| Cash receipts | $182,040.13 | | $232,304.50 | |
| Cash disbursements | 181,238.85 | | 215,390.08 | |
| Increase in cash balance | | 801.28 | | 16,914.42 |
| Cash balance, end of period | | $ 23,910.72 | | $ 23,109.44 |

EXHIBIT "C"

## Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

### Other Funds

*July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 and*
*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Annuity Fund:* | | | | |
| *Income Account:* | | | | |
| Receipts: | | | | |
| Income from securities | $ 2,497.87 | | $ 2,013.87 | |
| Income transferred from Endowment Fund | 882.21 | | 220.93 | |
| | | $ 3,380.08 | | $ 2,234.80 |
| Disbursements: payments to annuitants | | 2,717.75 | | 2,717.75 |
| Increase (decrease) in cash balance | | $ 662.33 | | $ (482.95) |
| Cash balance, beginning of period | | (18,198.12) | | (17,715.17) |
| Cash balance, end of period | | ($ 17,535.79) | | ($ 18,198.12) |
| *Principal Account:* | | | | |
| Receipts: proceeds from sales of securities | | $ 4,219.96 | | .... |
| Disbursements: securities purchased | | 4,479.21 | | .... |
| (decrease) in cash balance | | $ (259.25) | | .... |
| Cash balance, beginning of period | | 19,066.60 | | 19,066.60 |
| Cash balance, end of period | | $ 18,807.35 | | $ 19,066.60 |
| Balance in Annuity Fund after application of income account balance against principal account balance | | $ 1,271.56 | | $ 868.48 |
| *Endowment Fund:* | | | | |
| *Income Account:* | | | | |
| Receipts: Income from securities | | $ 1,822.21 | | $ 655.02 |
| Disbursements: | | | | |
| Cash transferred to Men's Loan Fund | $ 940.00 | | .... | |
| Cash transferred to the Annuity Fund | 882.21 | | 220.93 | |
| Cash transferred to Women's Scholarship and Loan Fund | .... | | 434.09 | |
| | | 1,822.21 | | 655.02 |
| | | .... | | .... |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Principal Account:* | | | | |
| Receipts: proceeds from sales of securities | | $ 8,547.70 | | $ 300.00 |
| Disbursements: securities purchased | | 8,713.81 | | .... |
| Increase (decrease) in cash balance | | $ (166.11) | | $ 300.00 |
| Cash balance, beginning of period | | 443.94 | | 143.94 |
| Cash balance, end of period | | $ 277.83 | | $ 443.94 |

### *Permanent Ministerial Education Fund*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Income Account:* | | | | |
| Receipts: Income from securities | | $ 1,403.67 | | $ 713.10 |
| Disbursements: Cash transferred to General Fund | | 1,403.67 | | 713.10 |
| | | .... | | .... |
| *Principal Account:* | | | | |
| Receipts: | | | | |
| Proceeds from sales of securities | $ 15,681.96 | | | |
| Rudolph F. Reichwald bequest | 1,179.05 | | | |
| | | $ 16,861.01 | | .... |
| Disbursements: Securities purchased | | 14,967.27 | | .... |
| Increase in cash balance | | $ 1,893.74 | | .... |
| Cash balance, beginning of period | | 90.67 | | $ 90.67 |
| Cash balance, end of period | | $ 1,984.41 | | $ 90.67 |

### *Scholarship and Loan Fund for Women*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Income Account:* | | | | |
| Receipts: | | | | |
| Income from securities | $ 542.87 | | $ 463.72 | |
| Income transferred from Endownment Fund | .... | | 434.09 | |
| | | $ 542.87 | | $ 897.81 |
| Disbursements: Student aid | | 350.00 | | 1,400.00 |
| Increase (decrease) in cash balance | | $ 192.87 | | $ (502.19) |
| Cash balance, beginning of peiod | | .... | | 502.19 |
| Cash balance, end of period | | $ 192.87 | | $ .... |
| *Principal Account:* | | | | |
| Receipts: | | | | |
| Legacy, Elenor P. Monroe Estate | .... | | $ 1,000.00 | |
| Proceeds from sales of securities | $ 837.37 | | .... | |
| | | $ 837.37 | | $ 1,000.00 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| Disbursements: Securities purchased |  | 840.00 |  | .... |
| Increase (decrease) in cash balance |  | $ (2.63) |  | $ 1,000.00 |
| Cash balance, beginning of period |  | 783.51 |  | (216.49) |
| Cash balance, end of period |  | $ 780.88 |  | $ 783.51 |
| Principal and income cash held in Scholarship and Loan fund at end of period |  | $ 973.75 |  | $ 783.51 |
| *Men's Loan Fund* |  |  |  |  |
| *Income Account:* |  |  |  |  |
| Receipts: |  |  |  |  |
| Contributions from individuals | $ 100.00 |  | $ 660.00 |  |
| Income transferred from Endowment Fund | 940.00 |  | .... |  |
|  |  | $ 1,040.00 |  | $ 660.00 |
| Disbursements: Student aid |  | 1,100.00 |  | 600.00 |
| Increase (decrease) in cash balance |  | $ (60.00) |  | $ 60.00 |
| Cash balance, beginning of period |  | 60.00 |  | .... |
| Cash balance, end of period |  | .... |  | $ 60.00 |
| *Principal Account*—None |  |  |  |  |
| *Lutheran College for Women* |  |  |  |  |
| *Income Account:* |  |  |  |  |
| Receipts: Income from securities |  | $ 1,657.37 |  | $ 1,582.54 |
| Disbursements: Student aid |  | 1,700.00 |  | 1,400.00 |
| Increase (decrease) in cash balance |  | $ (42.63) |  | $ 182.54 |
| Cash balance, beginning of period |  | 300.25 |  | 117.71 |
| Cash balance, end of period |  | $ 257.62 |  | $ 300.25 |
| *Principal Account:* |  |  |  |  |
| Receipts: Proceeds from sales of securities |  | $ 18,976.35 |  | .... |
| Disbursements: Securities purchased |  | 19,130.77 |  | .... |
| (Decrease) in cash balance |  | $ (154.42) |  | .... |
| Cash balance, beginning of period |  | 87.79 |  | $ 87.79 |
| Cash balance, end of period |  | $ (66.63) |  | $ 87.79 |
| Balance in Lutheran College for Women Fund after application of principal account balance against income account balance |  | $ 190.99 |  | $ 388.04 |

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Brackets ( ) indicate red figures.

## Investments

*June 30, 1950*

| Par Value | | Interest Rate | Maturity | Cost | Market or Redemption Value |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | *United States Bonds* | | | | |
| $ 2,000.00 | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | October 1, 1953 | $ 2,000.00 | $ 1,940.00 |
| 8,000.00 | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | December 1, 1954 | 8,000.00 | 7,712.00 |
| 10,000.00 | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | April 1, 1955 | 10,000.00 | 9,610.00 |
| 500.00 | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | June 1, 1955 | 500.00 | 480.50 |
| 1,400.00 | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | December 1, 1959 | 1,400.00 | 1,338.40 |
| 3,000.00 | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | June 1, 1960 | 3,000.00 | 2,886.00 |
| 1,000.00 | United States Treasury | 2½% | March 15, 1966-71 | 1,000.00 | 1,016.56 |
| 15,000.00 | United States Treasury | 2½% | December 15, 1967-72 | 15,034.38 | 15,164.06 |
| 300.00 | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | June 1, 1962 | 300.00 | 300.00 |
| | | | | $ 41,234.38 | $ 40,447.52 |
| | *Railroad Bonds* | | | | |
| $ 2,000.00 | Baltimore and Ohio Railroad First Mortgage Series "B" Modified Series "A" | 4-5% | 1975 | $ 1,975.00 | $ 1,660.00 |
| 5,000.00 | Missouri Pacific Railroad First and Refunding, Series "F" | 5% | 1977 | 3,837.50 | 4,850.00 |
| 5,000.00 | Oregon-Washington Railroad and Navigation Company First Refunding, Series "A" | 3% | 1960 | 5,131.25 | 5,125.00 |
| 2,000.00 | Pennsylvania Railroad Company General Series "D" | 4¼% | 1981 | 2,075.30 | 1,862.50 |
| 2,000.00 | Pennsylvania Railroad Company General Series "E" | 4¼% | 1984 | 1,955.00 | 1,860.00 |
| 5,000.00 | Southern Railway First Consolidated | 5% | 1994 | 5,541.27 | 5,650.00 |
| | | | | $ 20,515.32 | $ 21,007.50 |
| | *Utility Bonds* | | | | |
| $ 5,000.00 | Rochester Transit Corporation, Series "A" | 4½% | 1958 | $ 5,000.00 | $ 3,500.00 |
| Shares | *Preferred Stocks* | | | | |
| 16 | Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing Company 3¼% Cumulative Convertible Preferred | | | $ 1,501.60 | $ 1,376.00 |
| 50 | Universal Pictures 4¼% Preferred | | | 5,092.50 | 2,375.00 |
| | | | | $ 6,594.10 | $ 3,751.00 |

| Shares | | Cost | Market or Redemption Value |
|---|---|---|---|
| | *Common Stocks* | | |
| 50 | Cincinnati Gas and Electric Company | $ 1,300.00 | $ 1,525.00 |
| 100 | Hecht Company | 2,606.77 | 2,962.50 |
| 70 | National Biscuit Company | 2,831.16 | 2,406.25 |
| 230 | Ohio Edison Company | 8,094.13 | 7,072.50 |
| 500 | Potomac Electric Power | 6,975.00 | 7,312.50 |
| 100 | Public Service Electric and Gas Company | 2,332.00 | 2,275.00 |
| 100 | Washington Gas Light Company | 2,293.44 | 2,600.00 |
| | | $ 26,432.50 | $ 26,153.75 |
| | *Building and Loan Association* | | |
| | Eastern Building and Loan Association | $ 4,680.00 | $ 4,680.00 |
| | | $104,456.30 | $ 99,539.77 |
| | *Distribution by Funds* | | |
| | Annuity Fund | $ 49,189.10 | $ 46,878.66 |
| | Endowment Fund | 25,056.73 | 23,511.24 |
| | Permanent Ministerial Education Fund | 18,142.61 | 16,896.00 |
| | Scholarship and Loan Fund for Women | 12,067.86 | 12,253.87 |
| | | $104,456.30 | $ 99,539.77 |

SCHEDULE "II"

## Lutheran College for Women

### Investments

*June 30, 1950*

| Par Value | *United States Bonds* | Interest Rate | Maturity | Cost | Market or Redemption Value |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| $ 2,000.00 | United States Treasury | 2% | December 15, 1954-52 | $ 2,040.63 | $ 2,028.96 |
| 20,000.00 | United States Savings Bonds, Series "G" | 2½% | August 1, 1958 | 20,000.00 | 18,960.00 |
| 400.00 | United States Savings Bonds, Series "G" | 2½% | October 1, 1958 | 400.00 | 379.20 |
| 1,000.00 | United States Treasury | 2½% | March 15, 1966-71 | 1,000.00 | 1,016.56 |
| 2,000.00 | United States Treasury | 2½% | June 15, 1967-72 | 2,000.00 | 2,066.86 |
| 1,000.00 | United States Treasury | 2½% | December 15, 1967-72 | 1,000.00 | 1,010.93 |
| | | | | $26,440.63 | $25,462.51 |
| Shares | *Preferred Stock* | | | | |
| 50 | International Paper Company $4.00 Preferred | | | $ 5,517.65 | $ 5,325.00 |
| | *Common Stocks* | | | | |
| 30 | American Telephone & Telegraph Company | | | $ 4,509.65 | $ 4,560.00 |
| 25 | Cincinnati Gas and Electric Company | | | 650.00 | 762.50 |
| 20 | Guaranty Trust Company, New York | | | 5,991.35 | 5,720.00 |
| 100 | Hershey Chocolate Corporation | | | 4,430,60 | 4,125.00 |
| 100 | Virginia Electric Power Company | | | 2,158,54 | 1,812.50 |
| | | | | $17,740.14 | $16,980.00 |
| | | | | $49,698.42 | $47,767.51 |

SCHEDULE "III"

## Grants in Aid

*July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 and*
*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949*

| | 7/1/1949 to 6/30/1950 | 7/1/1948 to 6/30/1949 |
|---|---|---|
| *Seminaries—Regular and Special Grants:* | | |
| Central | $ 4,200.00 | $ 300.00 |
| Chicago | 7,200.00 | 7,200.00 |
| Hamma | 6,000.00 | 6,000.00 |
| Saskatoon | 7,500.00 | 9,100.00 |
| Southern | 7,200.00 | 7,200.00 |
| Waterloo | 3,000.00 | 9,000.00 |
| Western | .... | 3,300.00 |
| | $ 35,100.00 | $ 42,100.00 |
| *Colleges—Regular and Special Grants:* | | |
| Carthage | $ 9,000.00 | $ 10,800.00 |
| Hartwick | 2,400.00 | 2,000.00 |
| Lenoir Rhyne | 3,600.00 | 3,600.00 |
| Luther College (Canada) | 2,400.00 | .... |
| Marion | 3,000.00 | 3,400.00 |
| Midland | 21,000.00 | 23,700.00 |
| Newberry | 9,000.00 | 11,100.00 |
| Roanoke | 5,100.00 | 5,100.00 |
| Susquehanna | 5,000.00 | 5,000.00 |
| Texas Lutheran College | 3,000.00 | .... |
| Thiel | 6,800.00 | 6,800.00 |
| Wagner | 5,000.00 | 5,000.00 |
| Waterloo | 4,500.00 | .... |
| | $ 79,800.00 | $ 76,500.00 |
| Student Service Commission—National Lutheran Council | $ 696.02 | $ 25,260.71 |
| Church Scholarships | 5,799.41 | 13,347.00 |
| Church Fellowships | 6,309.50 | 5,704.89 |
| National Protestant Council on Higher Education | 250.00 | 250.00 |
| | $ 13,054.93 | $ 44,562 60 |
| | $127,954.93 | $163,162.60 |

SCHEDULE "IV"

## Service and Promotion and General Expense

*July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 and*
*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949*

| | 7/1/1949 to 6/30/1950 | 7/1/1948 to 6/30/1949 |
|---|---|---|
| *Service and Promotion Expense:* | | |
| Salaries of secretaries: | | |
| Dr. Gould Wickey | $ 7,800.00 | $ 7,500.00 |
| Mildred E. Winston | 4,500.00 | 4,100.00 |
| Dr. David H. Bremmer | 3,750.00 | .... |
| | $ 16,050.00 | $ 11,600.00 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Contribution pension plan | 595.00 | 424.00 |
| Travel—staff | 4,838.34 | 3,592.35 |
| Travel—boards and committees | 2,265.46 | 2,064.70 |
| Conferences | 388.80 | 1,220.05 |
| Summer service conferences | 1,934.51 | 797.52 |
| Printing and publications | 6,121.50 | 4,705.11 |
| | $ 32,193.61 | $ 24,403.73 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *Office and General Expense:* | | |
| Auditing | $ 275.00 | $ 325.00 |
| Clerical service | 10,390.00 | 5,025.34 |
| Contribution pension plan | 262.14 | .... |
| Dues and fees | 34.50 | 11.00 |
| Equipment and furnishings | 338.48 | 645.32 |
| Insurance—bond | 65.43 | 169.64 |
| Building maintenance | 3,105.14 | 2,730.00 |
| Postage and express | 1,613.88 | 1,171.11 |
| Service to equipment | 61.00 | 202.30 |
| Stationery and supplies | 1,626.39 | 1,248.98 |
| Telephone and telegraph | 678.38 | 657.58 |
| | $ 18,450.34 | $ 12,186.27 |

## Accountant's Certificate

The Board of Education
Washington, D. C.

We have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of The Board of Education of The United Lutheran Church in America for the years ended June 30, 1950 and June 30, 1949. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying balance sheets and statements of cash receipts and disbursements present fairly the financial position of the Board as at June 30, 1950 and June 30, 1949, and the results of its operations for the years then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding biennium.

Tait, Weller & Baker
*Certified Public Accountants*

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
July 15, 1950
(Adopted, see p. 1054)

EXHIBIT "A"

## CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION YEAR APPEAL

### Balance Sheet

*June 30, 1950*

*Assets*

| | |
|---|---|
| Cash in banks | $ 401,251.55 |
| Advances for expenses and account receivable | 12,479.60 |
| Office furniture and equipment | 8,233.52 |
| | $ 421,964.67 |

*Liabilities and Funds*

| | |
|---|---|
| *Liabilities* | |
| Federal Income Tax Withheld on Salaries | $ 1,467.41 |
| Christian Higher Education Year Appeal | 420,497.26 |
| | $ 421,964.67 |

EXHIBIT "B"

## Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

*August 12, 1949 to June 30, 1950*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *Receipts:* | | |
| Appeal Receipts (Schedule I): | | |
| Undesignated | $ 799,082.91 | |
| Designated (Schedule II) | 104,680.17 | |
| Special Aid Fund | 2,200.00 | |
| Total Appeal receipts | | $ 905,963.08 |
| Motion picture contributions | | 17,232.56 |
| Advance for expenses—United Lutheran Church in America | | 250,000.00 |
| Federal Income Tax withheld (net of payments) | | 1,467.41 |
| Total receipts | | $ 1,174,663.05 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| Appeal Expenses: | | |
| Salaries, pensions and allowances: | | |
| General Director, | | |
| Rev. Dr. Rees Edgar Tulloss | $ 10,000.00 | |
| Regional and other directors | 41,357.86 | |
| Expense allowances | 2,416.70 | |
| Pension contributions | 1,044.55 | |
| Travel insurance | 744.00 | |
| Clerical salaries | 19,468.59 | |
| Pension contributions | 80.00 | |
| | | $ 75,111.70 |
| Travel: | | |
| Executive directors | $ 18,328.34 | |
| Directing committee | 4,360.72 | |
| Publicity committee | 604.71 | |
| Public relations | 870.75 | |
| Synodical committees | 8,986.24 | |
| Conferences and committees | 24,533.32 | |
| Regional directors | 302.60 | |
| District meetings | 5,469.46 | |
| | | 63,456.14 |
| Office Expenses: | | |
| Rent | $ 3,017.84 | |
| Heat, light and maintenance | 328.54 | |
| Telephone and telegraph | 4,757.80 | |
| Postage and express | 27,426.86 | |
| Stationery and office supplies | 9,433.04 | |
| Temporary help | 18,821.87 | |
| Outside office service | 178.37 | |
| Congregational expense | 646.91 | |
| Equipment and maintenance | 1,505.19 | |
| Miscellaneous | 308.43 | |
| | | 66,424.85 |
| Printing: | | |
| Photography | $ 109.23 | |
| Art | 1,124.00 | |
| Layout | 54.64 | |
| Writing | 50.00 | |
| Printing | 101,798.98 | |
| Photos, mats and cuts | 596.83 | |
| Miscellaneous | 62.60 | |
| | | 103,796.38 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Movie: | | |
| Production costs | $ 59,465.18 | |
| Travel | 553.77 | |
| Distribution expenses | 14,130.73 | |
| Miscellaneous | 19.82 | |
| | | 74,169.50 |
| General: | | |
| Campaign advisory | $ 11,254.94 | |
| Insurance | 3,103.77 | |
| Interest | 125.00 | |
| Staff moving expenses | 334.15 | |
| Local Treasurers' expenses | 91.12 | |
| Synodical Treasurers' expenses | 52.60 | |
| Miscellaneous | 98.16 | |
| | | 15,059.74 |
| Total Appeal expenses | | $ 398.018.21 |
| Designated appeal receipts distributed (Schedule II) | | 104,680.17 |
| Deposit for air transportation | | 425.00 |
| Advances for expense | | 11,420.00 |
| Repayment of advance—The United Lutheran Church in America, General Church Treasury (Interest included under General above) | | 250,000.00 |
| Overpayment on designated receipt to be refunded | | 634.60 |
| Office furniture and equipment | | 8,233.52 |
| Total disbursements | | $ 773,411.50 |

### Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

*August 12, 1949 to June 30, 1950*

*Summary:*

| | |
|---|---|
| Balance, beginning of period: | |
| Receipts | $ 1,174,663.05 |
| Disbursements | 773,411.50 |
| Cash balance, end of period | $ 401,251.55 |

Note—Included as appeal expenses above are expenditures made by the Executive Board and the Board of Education of The United Lutheran Church in America prior to August 12, 1949 and subsequently refunded from the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal account. These expenditures totaled $16,697.23. Appeal receipts of $266.00 received prior to June 30, 1949 and held in the Executive Board Treasury at that date are included above as appeal receipts.

SCHEDULE I

### Appeal Receipts From Synods

*August 12, 1949 to June 30, 1950*

| | |
|---|---|
| California | $ 21,500.00 |
| Canada | 57,152.05 |
| Central Pennsylvania | 92,292.66 |
| Florida | 4,756.14 |
| Georgia-Alabama | 11,403.58 |
| Illinois | 46,174.37 |
| Indiana | 13,317.52 |
| Iowa | 11,317.20 |
| Maryland | 70,552.89 |

| | |
|---|---|
| Michigan | 24,007.38 |
| Midwest | 33,139.32 |
| Mississippi | 620.34 |
| Nebraska | 29,524.37 |
| New York | 92,879.80 |
| North Carolina | 45,222.92 |
| Northwest | 61,416.44 |
| Ohio | 42,971.77 |
| Pacific | 2,530.38 |
| Pennsylvania Ministerium | 165,069.93 |
| Pittsburgh | 4,123.83 |
| Rocky Mountain | 6,174.46 |
| Slovak Zion | 1,533.60 |
| South Carolina (Note A) | 32,274.29 |
| Texas | 373.24 |
| Virginia | 10,751.13 |
| Wartburg | 8,171.06 |
| West Virginia | 5,712.41 |
| Western Canada | 11,000.00 |
| | $905,963.08 |

Note A—Includes United States Savings Bonds at a value of $37.00 designated for Newberry College, Newberry, South Carolina.

Note B—Included above are contributions of $266.00 received by The United Lutheran Church in America in the fiscal year ended June 30, 1949 and transferred to the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal from the Executive Board Treasury during the current year.

SCHEDULE II

### Designated Receipts Transmitted

*August 12, 1949 to June 30, 1950*

| | |
|---|---|
| *Colleges:* | |
| Gettysburg College, Gettysburg, Pa. | $ 15,800.16 |
| Hartwick College, Oneonta, New York | 5,294.64 |
| Lenoir Rhyne College, Hickory, North Carolina | 9,130.00 |
| Marion College, Marion, Virginia | 202.00 |
| Muhlenberg College, Allentown, Pennsylvania | 7,514.01 |
| Newberry College, Newberry, South Carolina | 1,137.00 |
| Roanoke College, Salem, Virginia | 202.00 |
| Susquehanna University, Selinsgrove, Pennsylvania | 11,650.00 |
| Wagner College, Staten Island, New York | 7,050.00 |
| Wittenberg College, Springfield, Ohio | 14,325.00 |
| | $ 72,304.81 |
| *Seminaries:* | |
| Evangelical Lutheran Seminary of Canada, Waterloo, Canada | $ 5.00 |
| Lutheran Theological Seminary, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania | 1,915.00 |
| The Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania | 28,878.26 |
| The Lutheran College and Seminary, Saskatoon, Canada | 13.50 |
| Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary, Columbia, South Carolina | 1,263.60 |
| Central Lutheran Theological Seminary, Fremont, Nebraska | 300.00 |
| | $ 32,375.36 |
| Total designated receipts | $104,680.17 |

Note—All designated receipts have been transmitted in full to the institution specified without deduction for any proration of appeal expenses. Adjustment for the proportionate share of these expenses which is to be deducted from designated receipts will be made at later date.

## Accountant's Certificate

The Executive Board of
The United Lutheran Church in America
New York, New York

We have examined the accounts of the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal maintained by the Treasurer of The United Lutheran Church in America for the period August 12, 1949 to June 30, 1950. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying balance sheet and statement of cash receipts and disbursements present fairly the financial position of the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal at June 30, 1950, and the results of its operations for the period then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Tait, Weller & Baker,
*Certified Public Accountants*

New York, New York
July 19, 1950

At the outset, Dr. Wickey presented to the convention the members of the CHEY Directing Committee, recognizing with gratifying pointedness, the contribution made by the late Dr. Joseph D. Krout. The speaker lifted up, to the delight of the convention, the prominent part taken by President Fry in all the preparations for and execution of the CHEY appeal.

Dr. Wickey gave the convention the Rev. Rees Edgar Tulloss, General Director of the CHEY appeal. Dr. Wickey's commendation of Dr. Tulloss concluded with the words: "He attempted the unachieved and achieved the unexpected."

Dr. Tulloss' first and thrilling announcement was, "CHEY has won through to victory." His following remarks centered around our Church's faith finding solidly supporting rocks beneath its feet as it made a venture of faith through "a seeming void." These rocks, Dr. Tulloss named as: the rock of God's precious presence, the rock of united effort, the rock of the loyalty of the majority of our members to the ULCA. The Directing Committee, said Dr. Tulloss, was electrified by "one instance after another of amazingly high devotion." As for example, the achievement of the 369 per cent victory of the Synod of North Carolina enabling it to stand in the van of all of the constituent synods. He quoted two comments of ULCA officers as follows: "The Christian Higher Education Year Appeal will leave The United Lutheran Church in America a different church from what it was before," "Never before in the history of our Church has a cause so gripped the hearts of our members."

Now came the high moment toward which the expectations of the delegates and visitors had been stretching since the gavel of the president first called the convention to order, the announcement of the actual CHEY victory.

The contributions toward the $6,000,000 goal up to September 30, Dr. Tulloss reported were:

| | |
|---|---|
| Assured response | $6,739,500 for 112 per cent of the goal |
| Cash received | $2,670,000 for 44 per cent of the goal |

As the convention expressed its joy and gratitude over this God-given result, Dr. Tulloss requested the Reverend Oscar F. Blackwelder to lead the assembly in prayer as he stood in the midst of the congregational leadership on the floor of the convention.

*The Text of Dr. Blackwelder's Prayer:*

"Our Father, in Whose will is the meaning of our lives and in Whose service is perfect freedom, we thank Thee for causes within Thy Kingdom to unite our hands as Thy love unites our hearts.

For the response of Thy Church to the cause of Christian Higher Education, we offer our truest gratitude to Thee, our Father. May the gift and pledge of dollars in this high and holy cause be but a symbol of the fresh giving of ourselves and our possessions to all the calls of Thy Kingdom.

O Christ, be Thou ever the Master of our schools. May those who administer, those who teach, and those who learn, be enlightened by Thy Light. O haunting Spirit of the Ever True, hold Thou the pressure of Thy way upon us.

Behind clustered walls of hallowed memory and new buildings of shining hope, may the youth of our Church seek to put the truth they learn to Christlike ends, especially in these days of world destiny. Call forth, we pray, the rededication of every campus of our Church.

'O Thou whose feet have climbed life's hill,
And trod the path of youth,
Our Saviour and our Brother still,
Now lead us into truth.'

In the name of Him from whom all blessings flow. Amen."

Dr. Deaton presented the Board's recommendations (pp. 793, 794).

Recommendation 1 was adopted.

Recommendation 2 was adopted.

Recommendation 3 was adopted.

In the course of remarks on recommendation 3, the Reverend Harold S. Sigmar, stewardship secretary of the Icelandic Synod, pointed out the difficulties which confront his synod as it progresses toward full participation in achieving the CHEY and other stewardship goals of the Church. Pastor Sigmar assured the convention that strong and steady efforts were being made toward bringing the synod to its desired place in the family of synods.

Recommendation 4—The Honorable James F. Henninger made the following motion:

"Moved to amend recommendation 4 by deleting the words 'and procedure.'"

The amendment was adopted.

The recommendation as amended was adopted.

The Chair declared that the deletion of the words "and procedure" make it possible for the Board of Education to "make minor amendments from time to time in the procedures without action of the convention."

Recommendation 5 was adopted.

Recommendation 6. It was moved and seconded to adopt the recommendation.

After a motion to extend the session for thirty minutes was defeated, the motion to adjourn prevailed.

The chaplain led the convention in closing prayers.

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The following program was presented on Sunday afternoon, October 8, 1950, at KRNT Radio Theater.

### MEN FOR THE MINISTRY

Presiding—The Reverend John L. Deaton, D.D.
President, The Board of Education

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|---|---|
| Organ Recital | Maestro Giuseppe Moschetti, Organist<br>St. John's Lutheran Church, Allentown, Pa. |

Processional Hymn—"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

The Scripture Lesson, and The Prayer

Choral Selections—

| | |
|---|---|
| Awake, Awake, Good People | Reginald Sweet |
| O Morning Star | Nicolai-Hanke |
| Lord God of Hosts, How Lovely | Leland Satern |

The Carthage College Choir . . . Professor Elmer Hanke, Director

Talks—As I See the Ministry
Student Richard Preis, Carthage College, Carthage, Illinois
Student John C. Bruce, Central Lutheran Theological Seminary, Fremont, Nebr.

Choral Selections—

| | |
|---|---|
| Yea, Though I Wander | George Schumann-Paul Christianson |
| The Spirit Also Helpeth Us | John Sebastian Bach |

*Andante con moto*
*Allegro moderato*
*Alla breve*
*Chorale*

The Midland College Choir . . . Professor Oscar Lyders, Director

Offering for Lutheran World Action

Address—The Church and the Ministry
The Reverend Walter H. Traub, D.D., LL.D.
Pastor, Kountze Memorial Lutheran Church, Omaha, Nebraska

Choral Selection—

| | |
|---|---|
| Hallelujah Chorus, The Messiah | George Frideric Handel |

Carthage College Choir
Midland College Choir
St. John's Lutheran Church Choir

Under the Direction of Mr. Kennet hGfeller
Director of St. John's Lutheran Church Choir
Des Moines, Iowa

Tableau—Christ Calls for Laborers

Benediction..............................................President Franklin Clark Fry, D.D., LL.D., L.H.D.

Recessional Hymn—"Lead On, O King Eternal"
The Tableau was directed by Mrs. Sara Hawkinson, Director of Dramatics
Midland College, Fremont, Nebraska

### FIFTH MEETING

#### First Session

KRNT Radio Theater, Des Moines, Iowa
Monday, October 9, 1950, 8:45 A.M.

The chaplain conducted the devotions.

The president called for the report of the Luther League of America and recognized Mr. Roy Henrickson, president, who presented the report.

## REPORT OF THE LUTHER LEAGUE OF AMERICA

The past biennium has been an encouraging period in the life of this auxiliary. The fifty-fourth anniversary convention at Roanoke in 1949 brought the largest number of youth together in the history of the organization and the program proved to be an inspiration leading to greater interest in League work throughout the Church. Membership has been growing slowly, but steadily; we can now report for more than 30,000 of the youth of our Church. Income from the youth for the causes they support has been increasing gradually, but certainly.

The League, taking the chief emphasis in the Faith and Life program adopted by the U.L.C.A. at Philadelphia, has presented its program since the Roanoke convention under the plan known as Operation Spiritual. This has four emphases: (1) Bible study; (2) prayer laboratory; (3) personal study of the life of Christ; and (4) the "Christ in Every Purse" project.

Operation Spiritual has done two things particularly: It has awakened new interest in League work in nearly every congregation where it was followed diligently. It has proved that young people are interested in, and will respond to, a program designed to give spiritual uplift.

Since the Roanoke convention President Roy Henrickson has given Operation Spiritual into the hands of a new, competent committee on evangelism. This committee is projecting a practical plan of evangelism which will, we believe, direct our young people to an effective program of soul winning.

Operation Spiritual has been all the more effective because of the co-operation which has been mutually sought by the Luther League of America and the youth division of the Parish and Church School Board. There has been consultation on plans and program in the youth area of the church between these two departments. Plans are now laid for even further co-operative effort in the future.

With these salient facts as background, we now turn to report specific items of work of the auxiliary in the biennium.

## Education and Promotion

Changes in leadership both in the congregations and in the larger areas of service are constant in youth work. This requires that plans and programs projected by headquarters need to be reviewed frequently with as many leaders as possible. To this end the officers and staff have conducted:

*Regional Conferences* which have brought together synodical and state presidents, Luther League advisers, chairmen of synodical committees responsible for youth work, and presidents of synods. These annual meetings have been held in strategic centers. The two-day programs have been helpful from the standpoint of the national officers in that there has been possible closer co-operation in studying and meeting the needs as perceived by those working with local Luther Leagues.

*Field Contacts* through synodical and state conventions, workers' conferences, and extended field trips. In addition, the League has served by providing teachers and conference leaders on youth work in a majority of the camps and summer schools which are conducted in our Church each year. To aid in keeping the heavy summer schedule the League has employed a summer field worker each year from June 1 to September 1. In 1949 Ielene Ufkes served in this capacity. Miss Ufkes had just been released from her services to the Board of Foreign Missions after 18 months as Luther League missionary to China. In 1950 Ralph Bagger, a middler in the Philadelphia Theological Seminary, assisted in this important work.

*Youth Sunday* observance through the congregational Luther Leagues. This gives opportunity for members of the congregation to see and know what their young people are doing and to see them in action on things spiritual. The Luther League of America provides a special program each year for Youth Sunday. In 1949 this was titled "Listen, He Speaks." It emphasized the need for personal Bible study and prayer. The materials were prepared by young people active in local Luther Leagues. "A Promise to Keep" is the theme chosen for 1950. The service has been written by young people from all three departments of the League—Intermediate, Senior, and Post-Hi. Its message portrays the way in which these young people look upon their confirmation vows to remain faithful to the Lutheran Church, her teachings, and the use of the means of grace.

*The League Link* was proposed as a means of contacting and keeping informed the presidents of all local leagues and all pastors. This bulletin was designed as a quarterly report on plans of action and ways to meet the need of youth at the home base. Only one issue has been possible to date. Lack of funds has made it necessary to discontinue, at least for the present, this plan of closer contact between headquarters at Philadelphia and the local league.

## Publications

The publication program of the Luther League is at present in a state of reorganization. During the last biennium the organization has published a monthly magazine, *The Luther League Review*, and two quarterly topics manuals, *The Senior Topics Quarterly* and *The Intermediate Quarterly Helps*. *The Review* carried news, feature articles, short stories, promotional materials—plus topic studies for young people beyond high school. The two quarterlies presented topic material for the high school and junior high groups.

Beginning with the January issue, *The Luther League Review* and *The Senior Topics Quarterly* will be combined into one publication, to be issued monthly under the name *Luther Life*. The format will be drastically changed and a new method of presenting background material for discussion groups will be used.

Proposed changes for the junior high manual are still in the formative stage.

Other publications of the League include a series of over 30 pamphlets to aid officers and advisers of local youth organizations. Among these is the *Intermediate Leaders' Handbook*, which is currently being revised to provide more adequate assistance to workers with the junior high age group.

### Intermediate Work

Work among the youth who are 12, 13, and 14 years of age is receiving increased recognition as it is realized that this is the group that can keep youth active in the congregation as they advance from Children of the Church and catechetical class into full church membership. The Intermediate Luther League offers opportunities for educational, spiritual, and social development for boys and girls in the difficult "in-between" stage of adolescence.

Adequate adult leadership is one of the chief problems in Intermediate work. There is a great need in all areas of the Church for consecrated young adults, experienced in the League program, who will devote the time and effort required of effective sponsors. In this age group particularly it is necessary for the leaders to spend extra hours with leaguers to plan programs, prepare topics, and provide sympathetic guidance. Perfection cannot be expected of Intermediates, but the League should be a workshop for leadership training.

In 1949 the Intermediates participated in an Essay Contest based on the topic, "Jesus Christ, My Dearest Friend." Winners of state and synodical contests submitted their entries for final judging at the Roanoke Convention. Nine essays were read during the special afternoon Intermediate session and Miss Mary Catherine Miller of St. John's Lutheran Church, Salisbury, North Carolina, was named the national winner. A luncheon at Roanoke College and activities on the campus highlighted the Intermediate session of the convention.

Intermediate Day, observed in April, has become an annual occasion when junior high youth gather either locally or in conference and state rallies. A special topic for the day offers source material for discussion of the part the Intermediate has in the life of the Church. In some areas, these rallies are combined with Confirmation Rallies, serving as an introduction to the Luther League program.

Plans projected by the Intermediate Advisory Committee include:

*a*) An annual contest for Intermediates. The 1951 contest will be based on presenting the Luther emblem in a unique form and telling the history and meaning of the emblem.

*b*) Intermediate participation in the 1951 Iowa City Convention. Junior high leaguers will hold a "Model U.L.C.A. Convention," bringing reports of boards, electing officers, and conducting business sessions.

*c*) Revision of the popular *Intermediate Leaders' Handbook*, the supply of which is nearly exhausted.

*d*) Certain changes in the *Intermediate Quarterly Helps* to make it a topics manual that will offer interesting reading and additional helps for leaguers and leaders. These changes are in line with revisions in the other publications which make the *Luther League Review* a magazine for Senior and Post-Hi youth.

*e*) Continued efforts to promote and strengthen the League program for junior high youth in areas where lack of numbers and leadership limit present activity.

### The Roanoke Convention

With 1,252 persons registered, the fifty-fourth anniversary convention at Roanoke, Virginia, (August, 1949) was the largest in the history of the Luther League of America. The convention will long be remembered by many of those present for its meaningful, daily sessions of Bible study; its helpful conference periods; its brief, but interesting business sessions; the cordial hospitality and efficient service given by the local committee; and the rainy weather. Inspiration was evident as the chaplain and speakers addressed the convention, which filled the hall for every session. An enlarged picture of Christ, hung above the altar in the assembly room, reminded everyone of the theme, "We Follow Christ."

The next biennial convention will be held on the campus of Iowa University at Iowa City, Iowa, August 13-17, 1951.

### Financial Status

The Luther League of America was able to give more service to the Church in the past biennium than ever before because it had the financial means to do it. The funds were provided by its members, by special gifts from its friends to the Special Gifts Fund and the Faith in Youth Offerings on Youth Sunday, and by the United Lutheran Church. In 1948 and 1949 the Church made an annual grant of $9,600 from its treasury.

The same service is being given, for the most part, in this current year even though the appropriation from the Church has been reduced to $7,000. The present budget of $48,500 does not allow for the doing of some much-hoped-for work. Unless synodical and state leagues are willing to increase their support to the national organization (which will mean larger local league support) or the Church makes an increase in its appropriation to this work, the Luther League of America will have to reduce its budget to about $40,000 in 1952. This will be necessary because by the end of 1951, as it now appears, all balances will have to be thrown into the operating budget.

One other way is open for the League to continue its present service standard. This would be for the League to discontinue its support of special projects and turn all of youth's gifts into its operating budget. This does not appear to be the Christian way, for it would turn the program into a self-centered activity.

### Missionary Projects

The leaguers completed their part of the China-Skeldon project in which they had agreed to co-operate with the Board of Foreign Missions. A total of $29,301.32 was contributed toward the sending of Ielene Ufkes to aid the missionaries in the China mission and to make possible the building of adequate facilities for the high school at Skeldon, British Guiana.

At the Roanoke convention the delegates accepted the proposal of the Luther League executive committee to co-operate with the Board of American Missions in a project in Hawaii. The leaguers are now gathering funds to assist that Board in erecting a church building at Kaimuki, a suburb of Honolulu. The League has pledged $25,000 toward this work.

The Luther League of America has increased its support to the India Mission for support of a youth secretary there. The work grew to the point where the Rev. T. Prakasam needed an assistant in this important field of service. For this reason the League accepted the full support of Pastor Prakasam in 1949.

### Administration

The official roster of those administrating the work of the League is as follows:

*a*) Officers: President, Roy Henrickson, Pennsylvania; first vice-president, Garfield E. Raymond, Ontario; second vice-president, Ray Cline, North Carolina; secretary, Ruth Greve, Illinois; treasurer, Howard Turkheimer, Jr., Pennsylvania.

*b*) Executive committee: The officers and the following members-at-large: Eugene Geiger, Pennsylvania; Eleanor Guderian, Kentucky; the Rev. W. F. Most, Nebraska; Clarence L. Neun, New York; George Billman, Ohio; Luther Dehnel, Minnesota; the Rev Harold F. Park, South Carolina; Edna Wagner, Maryland; Howard L. Logan, California (immediate past president); the Rev. Paul J. Renz, Indiana, chairman of education committee; the Rev. Alfred L. Beck, New York, chairman of life service committee; Margaret McFalls, Pennsylvania, chairman of missionary committee; and the Rev. Wallace Fisher, Pennsylvania, chairman of evangelism committee.

*c*) Subcommittees:

1) Education: The Rev. Paul J. Renz, Indiana, chairman; Eleanor Sheets, South Carolina; Elizabeth Huddle, North Carolina; Mrs. John (Nancy) Petry, Kentucky; Mrs. Alvin (Jean) Kuhn, Virginia; Ralph Bagger, Pennsylvania.

2) Life Service: The Rev. Alfred L. Beck, New York, chairman; George Billman, Ohio; Sister Bernice Pantel, Maryland; Luther Dehnel, Minnesota; Evelyn Kusch, Illinois; Miriam Baughman, Kansas.

3) Missionary: Margaret McFalls,

Pennsylvania, chairman; Ielene Ufkes, District of Columbia; Betty Miller, New Jersey; the Rev. Harold F. Park, South Carolina; James B. Doyle, West Virginia; Robert Walker, North Carolina.

4) Evangelism: The Rev. Wallace Fisher, Pennsylvania, chairman; Carl Berkobin, New Jersey; the Rev. Harold Haas, New Jersey; Arthur Bauer, Ohio; Ruth Blackburn, District of Columbia; Eugene Geiger, Pennsylvania; Mary Helen Smith, Pennsylvania.

5) Intermediate Advisory: Mrs. J. K. Linsenmayer, Ohio, chairman; Victoria Metting, Texas; Edna Wagner, Maryland; Mrs. G. C. Ackerly, New York; Dora Finley, Iowa; Eleanor Guderian, Kentucky.

*d*) Staff: The Rev. John M. Mangum, associate secretary; Mary Helen Smith, associate secretary.

*e*) Summer field workers: Ielene Ufkes, 1949; Ralph Bagger, 1950.

### Staff Changes

*Louise Marks* resigned from her office of associate secretary in charge of Intermediate work on June 1, 1949 to accept a position with Bethany Lutheran Church, Cleveland, Ohio. Miss Marks did a fine work in the year she served the League.

*The Rev. William J. Ducker* relinquished his position as associate secretary and editor as of April 1, 1950, when he became pastor of the Lutheran Church of the Apostles, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Pastor Ducker completed 10 years of service with the League. He had first served as intermediate secretary and was responsible for the promotional literature and publicity of the organization. After January 1, 1944 he was editor of *The Luther League Review*. From January 1, 1945 he was also editor of *The Senior Topics Quarterly*. He also handled field work assignments.

*The Rev. Joseph W. Frease* resigned from the position of executive secretary to accept a call to First Lutheran Church, Miamisburg, Ohio, July 1, 1950. He had served the League since January 1, 1945. Pastor Frease pulled the League through some of its most difficult years. The war drastically reduced the membership. As a consequence, the financial support of the organization was undercut. Emergency funds were raised through the fiftieth anniversary fund in 1945 and through the Faith in Youth offerings begun in 1947. Under his guidance the League made the major change from a dues system to an apportionment system. Under this new plan gifts from youth themselves have tripled.

*Mary Helen Smith* came to the staff as associate secretary in charge of intermediate work, February 1, 1950. Miss Smith is a native of Sunbury, Pennsylvania. She was parish secretary of her home church, Zion Lutheran, for more than two years. She was graduated from Susquehanna University in 1949. Although her primary responsibility is in the planning and promotion of League activities for Intermediates, she also fills field work assignments and shares in certain administrative duties.

*The Rev. John M. Mangum* became associate secretary, May 1, 1950. He has charge of *The Luther League Review* and *The Senior Topics Quarterly* and shares in administrative and field work. He is a graduate of Lenoir Rhyne College and Philadelphia Theological Seminary and holds a Master's Degree in Journalism from Columbia University. During and immediately after his seminary course he directed youth work in churches in Long Island and New Jersey. For two years he was associate editor of *The Lutheran*. Pastor Mangum came to the League from St. John's Lutheran Church, Westville, New Jersey.

### Statistics

Following is an analysis and tabulation of the membership of the League as reported by the synodical and state groups for the year ending December 31, 1949:

| *Synodical Societies* | *Number of Groups* | *Number of Members* |
|---|---|---|
| California | 37* | 548 |
| Canada | 57 | 1,190 |
| Columbia District | 12 | 162* |
| Connecticut | 13 | 230 |
| Florida | 12* | 164* |

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|---|---|---|
| Georgia-Alabama | 34* | 402 |
| Illinois | 90 | 1,127 |
| Indiana | 23* | 438 |
| Iowa | 38 | 802 |
| Kansas | 22* | 325 |
| Kentucky-Tennessee | 23 | 287 |
| Maryland | 96 | 1,306 |
| Michigan | 17* | 446 |
| Midwest | 46 | 910 |
| Minnesota | 32 | 827 |
| Mississippi | 4 | 55 |
| Montana | 1* | 25* |
| Nebraska | 36 | 609 |
| New Jersey | 36 | 537 |
| New York | 123 | 1,992 |
| North Carolina | 127 | 2,194 |
| Nova Scotia | 8 | 157 |
| Ohio | 208* | 3,250 |
| Pacific Northwest | 17 | 186 |
| Central Pennsylvania | 137* | 1,900 |
| Ministerium of Penna. | 223 | 3,861 |
| Pittsburgh | 94 | 1,647 |
| Rocky Mountain | 10 | 120 |
| South Carolina | 91 | 1,595 |
| Texas | 23 | 357 |
| Virginia | 61 | 1,036 |
| West Virginia | 21 | 210 |
| Western Canada | 38* | 807* |
| Wisconsin | 74* | 600 |
| Total | 1,884 | 30,302 |

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* Incomplete or estimated

### Inter-Lutheran Relationships

Contacts with other Lutheran youth groups has been maintained through the All-Lutheran Youth Leaders' Council, which meets annually. A number of items are under consideration on a co-operative basis. Progress is expected when subcommittees report at the 1951 meeting. As in the past, the Luther League of America co-operates in the building and use of a common series of topics for the high school age group.

A representative was appointed to accept the invitation of the Student Service Commission of the National Lutheran Council to provide a leader for a conference group on the subject of the Luther League in the 1950 Ashram at the Blue Ridge Assembly.

### Interdenominational Relationships

The League has continued its membership in the Missionary Education Movement and co-operates with the Women's Missionary Society in the promotion of mission study programs for youth. Through the Parish and Church School Board one staff member of the League has attended meetings of the Committee on Religious Education of Youth of the International Council of Religious Education. The League does not co-operate with the United Christian Youth Movement.

Respectfully submitted,
Roy Henrickson, *President*
Joseph W. Frease, *Executive Secretary* (until June 15, 1950)
John M. Mangum, *Associate Secretary*
Mary Helen Smith, *Associate Secretary*

EXHIBIT "A"

## THE LUTHER LEAGUE OF AMERICA

### Balance Sheets

*June 30, 1950 and June 30, 1949*

| | | June 30, 1950 | | | June 30, 1949 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ***Assets*** | | | | | | |
| *General Funds:* | | | | | | |
| Cash in banks and on hand—(Exhibit "B") | | $ 10,578.41 | | | $ 5,332.88 | |
| Travel advances | | 600.00 | | | 250.00 | |
| Investment in United States Securities | | .... | | | 10,000.00 | |
| Furniture and fixtures | | 1,200.00 | | | 1,200.00 | |
| Total general fund assets | | | $ 12,378.41 | | | $ 16,782.88 |
| *Special Funds:* | | | | | | |
| Convention reserve fund—cash in bank | | $ 856.34 | | | $ 339.05 | |
| Parsonage fund (formerly Anniversary Fund): | | | | | | |
| Cash in bank | $ 903.58 | | | $ 6,443.35 | | |
| Parsonage building | 6,141.60 | | | .... | | |
| | | 7,045.18 | | | 6,443.35 | |
| Subscription reserve fund—cash in bank | | 4,048.82 | | | 4,290.81 | |
| Fund for Young Adults—cash in bank | | 2,528.32 | | | 2,269.85 | |
| China Skeldon Mission Fund: | | | | | | |
| Cash in bank | $ 378.85 | | | $ 7,054.22 | | |
| Travel advance | .... | | | 100.00 | | |
| | | 378.85 | | | 7,154.22 | |
| Hawaii Mission Fund—cash in bank | | 6,723.90 | | | .... | |
| Total special funds assets | | | 21,581.41 | | | 20,497.28 |
| Total assets | | | $ 33,959.82 | | | $ 37,280.16 |
| ***Liabilities and Funds*** | | | | | | |
| *General Fund:* | | | | | | |
| Payroll withholdings payable | | $ 19.25 | | | $ 520.17 | |
| General fund surplus—(Exhibit "D") | | 12,359.16 | | | 16,262.71 | |
| Total general fund liabilities and surplus | | | $ 12,378.41 | | | $ 16,782.88 |

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| *Special Funds Principal*—(Exhibit "D"): | | | | |
| Convention reserve fund | $ 856.34 | | $ 339.05 | |
| Parsonage fund (formerly Anniversary Fund) | 7,045.18 | | 6,443.35 | |
| Subscription reserve fund | 4,048.82 | | 4,290.81 | |
| Fund for Young Adults | 2,528.32 | | 2,269.85 | |
| China Skeldon Mission Fund | 378.85 | | 7,154.22 | |
| Hawaii Mission Fund | 6,723.90 | | .... | |
| Total special funds principal | | 21,581.41 | | 20,497.28 |
| Total liabilities and funds | | $ 33,959.82 | | $ 37,280.16 |

EXHIBIT "B"

## Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

## General Fund

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Receipts:* | | | | |
| Operating receipts: | | | | |
| The United Lutheran Church in America: | | | | |
| Appropriations from Executive Board: | | | | |
| General | $ 8,302.00 | | $ 9,600.00 | |
| 1949 Loyal Program | .... | | 1,912.82 | |
| | | $ 8,302.00 | | $ 11,512.82 |
| Contribution to operation spiritual | | .... | | 500.00 |
| Apportionment from Luther Leagues (Schedule I) | | 17,573.54 | | 18,464.77 |
| Youth Sunday (Schedule I) | | 12,089.57 | | 13,872.29 |
| Gifts | | 822.00 | | 964.35 |
| Youth Night at United Lutheran Church in America Convention | | .... | | 317.00 |
| Collection for gift to India Secretary | | .... | | 50.00 |
| Special missions | | .... | | 100.00 |
| Lutheran World Action | | .... | | 67.28 |
| Intermediate registration | | | | .10 |
| Interest on savings accounts and investments | | 395.93 | | 184.31 |
| Transfer from Anniversary Fund | | .... | | 4,000.00 |

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| CHEY | | 12.46 | | | .... | |
| President's conference | | 35.00 | | | .... | |
| Miscellaneous receipts | | 39.86 | | | .... | |
| | | | $ 39,270.36 | | | $ 50,032.92 |
| Subscriptions and sales of literature: | | | | | | |
| Transfer of earned subscriptions from subscription reserve: | | | | | | |
| Luther League Review | $ 5,369.72 | | | $ 5,357.97 | | |
| Luther League Topics | 2,494.99 | | | 2,377.92 | | |
| Intermediate Quarterly Helps | 2,169.79 | | | 2,014.40 | | |
| | | $ 10,034.50 | | | $ 9,750.29 | |
| Book sales | | 41.29 | | | 24.57 | |
| Literature sales | | 2,408.73 | | | 772.37 | |
| Advertising—Luther League Review | | 685.20 | | | 910.42 | |
| Transfer from Young Adults Fund for review and manual printing costs | | 1,590.89 | | | 1,272.05 | |
| | | | 14,760.61 | | | 12,729.70 |
| Total operating receipts | | | $ 54,030.97 | | | $ 62,762.62 |
| Other receipts: | | | | | | |
| Refund of travel advances | | $ .... | | | $ 200.00 | |
| Net payroll withholdings—end of year | | 19.25 | | | 520.17 | |
| Redemption of United States Certificate of Indebtedness | | 10,000.00 | | | .... | |
| | | | 10,019.25 | | | 720.17 |
| Total receipts | | | $ 64,050.22 | | | $ 63,482.79 |

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| *Disbursements:* | | | | |
| Operating disbursements: | | | | |
| Salaries: | | | | |
| Executive secretary, Rev. Joseph W. Frease | $ 5,000.00 | | $ 4,500.00 | |
| Associate secretary, Rev. William J. Ducker | 4,000.04 | | 3,999.84 | |
| Associate secretary, Rev. John M. Mangum | 675.00 | | 2,683.18 | |
| Associate secretary, Mary Helen Smith | 916.70 | | .... | |
| Summer workers | 202.50 | | 450.00 | |
| Office secretaries | 6,080.00 | | 5,400.00 | |
| India secretary | 400.00 | | 150.00 | |
| | | $ 17,274.24 | | $ 17,183.02 |
| Office expense: | | | | |
| Rent | $ 1,818.00 | | $ 1,818.00 | |
| Supplies | 1,268.10 | | 855.10 | |
| Postage | 1,130.64 | | 1,094.96 | |
| Telephone | 550.98 | | 511.62 | |
| Repairs | .... | | 47.70 | |
| President's office expense | 79.47 | | 42.32 | |
| Miscellaneous | 476.63 | | 415.88 | |
| Purchase of equipment | 135.14 | | 289.97 | |
| | $ 5,458.96 | | $ 5,075.55 | |
| Less: Miscellaneous refunds | .... | | 59.92 | |
| | | 5,458.96 | | 5,015.63 |
| Housing allowance: | | | | |
| Executive secretary—rent and expenses paid | $ 648.78 | | $ .... | |
| Executive secretary—rental transfer to parsonage fund | 600.00 | | .... | |
| Associate secretaries | 1,102.70 | | .... | |
| | | 2,351.48 | | .... |
| Contributory pension plan premium | | 663.06 | | 681.49 |
| Hospitalization | | 103.95 | | 54.00 |
| Traveling expenses: | | | | |
| Traveling allowance—executive and associate secretaries | $ .... | | $ 750.00 | |
| Traveling expense—executive and associate secretaries | 1,967.59 | | 3,374.51 | |

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| Committee travel: | | | | |
| Executive | 1,439.68 | | 864.65 | |
| Educational | 559.14 | | 204.17 | |
| Ways and means | 659.45 | | 708.90 | |
| Program study | .... | | 151.87 | |
| Nominating | 33.29 | | 556.46 | |
| Intermediate | 349.22 | | 114.29 | |
| Missionary | 104.44 | | 18.21 | |
| Finance | .... | | 37.04 | |
| Representation at conventions | 835.06 | | 1,024.35 | |
| Summer schools | 62.87 | | 213.92 | |
| Youth board meetings | .... | | 32.84 | |
| Regional conferences | 415.51 | | 242.04 | |
| Valparaiso | 85.48 | | 296.69 | |
| All-Lutheran Youth Leaders Council | .... | | 260.05 | |
| United Christian Youth Movement | .... | | 5.05 | |
| Missionary | 92.48 | | .... | |
| | $ 6,604.21 | | $ 8,855.04 | |
| Less: Traveling expenses refunded | 624.59 | | 781.34 | |
| Net traveling expenses | | 5,979.62 | | 8,073.70 |
| Publication and literature: | | | | |
| Luther League Review | $ 10,445.41 | | $ 10,246.38 | |
| Luther League Topics | 3,249.77 | | 3,057.48 | |
| Intermediate Quarterly Helps | 2,984.33 | | 2,912.02 | |
| Literature | 2,072.75 | | 2,068.81 | |
| Books | 50.67 | | 46.98 | |
| | | 18,802.93 | | 18,331.67 |
| Youth Sunday expenses | | 2,439.57 | | 2,382.51 |
| Missionary education movement: | | | | |
| Travel | $ .... | | $ 12.10 | |
| Contribution | 60.00 | | 60.00 | |
| | | 60.00 | | 72.10 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| Operation spiritual | | 3,672.02 | | 27.88 |
| Visual aids | | 139.63 | | 134.89 |
| Promotion—"50,000 by '51" | | .... | | 1,176.36 |
| United Lutheran Church in America Convention expenses | | .... | | 165.79 |
| Fidelity bond | | .... | | 153.13 |
| Audit | | 175.00 | | 250.00 |
| Printing of Survey of The Luther League | | .... | | 505.73 |
| Youth Night—United Lutheran Church in America Convention | | .... | | 317.00 |
| Lutheran World Action | | .... | | 67.28 |
| Special missions | | .... | | 100.00 |
| Purchase of typewriter for India Secretary—gift | | .... | | 50.00 |
| Transfer to convention reserve fund | | 300.00 | | 600.00 |
| Transfer to Young Adults Fund for 1949 Loyal Program | | .... | | 1,912.82 |
| Travel insurance | | 37.20 | | .... |
| League Link | | 358.42 | | .... |
| Moving expenses | | 105.98 | | .... |
| CHEY | | 12.46 | | .... |
| Total operating disbursements | | $ 57,934.52 | | $ 57,255.00 |
| Other disbursements: | | | | |
| Travel advances | $ 350.00 | | $ 150.00 | |
| Purchase of United States Certificates of Indebtedness | .... | | 10,000.00 | |
| Payment of payroll taxes owed at June 30, 1949 | 520.17 | | .... | |
| Total other disbursements | | 870.17 | | 10,150.00 |
| Total disbursements | | $ 58,804.69 | | $ 67,405.00 |
| *Summary:* | | | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of year | | $ 5,332.88 | | $ 9,255.09 |
| Receipts | | 64,050.22 | | 63,482.79 |
| | | $ 69,383.10 | | $ 72,737.88 |
| Disbursements | | 58,804.69 | | 67,405.00 |
| Cash balance, end of year | | $ 10,578.41 | | $ 5,332.88 |

EXHIBIT "C"

## Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

## Special Funds

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Convention Reserve Fund:* | | | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of year | | $ 339.05 | | $ 921.20 |
| Receipts: | | | | |
| Transfer from general fund | $ 300.00 | | $ 600.00 | |
| Registration | 5,341.67 | | .... | |
| Contributions and collections | 381.58 | | .... | |
| Interest on savings account | .... | | 13.50 | |
| | | 6,023.25 | | 613.50 |
| | | $6,362.30 | | $ 1,534.70 |
| Disbursements: | | | | |
| Traveling expense | $ 1,113.32 | | $ 80.90 | |
| Printing and literature | 2,130.05 | | 254.75 | |
| Registration fees and speakers | 1,228.02 | | 860.00 | |
| Executive committee expense (net) | 1,034.57 | | .... | |
| | | 5,505.96 | | 1,195.65 |
| Cash balance, end of year | | $ 856.34 | | $ 339.05 |
| *Parsonage Fund (Formerly Anniversary Fund):* | | | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of year | | $ 6,443.35 | | $ 10,443.35 |
| Receipts: | | | | |
| Transfer from general fund for rent | $ 600.00 | | $ .... | |
| Contributions | 489.06 | | .... | |
| | | 1,089.06 | | .... |
| | | $ 7,532.41 | | $ 10,443.35 |
| Disbursements: | | | | |
| Purchase of parsonage | $ 6,141.60 | | $ ... | |
| Repairs and other operating expenses of parsonage | 487.23 | | .... | |
| Transfer to general fund | .... | | 4,000.00 | |
| | | 6,628.83 | | 4,000.00 |
| Cash balance, end of year | | $ 903.58 | | $ 6,443.35 |
| *Subscription Reserve Fund:* | | | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of year | | $ 4,290.81 | | $ 4,375.42 |
| Receipts: | | | | |
| Subscriptions: | | | | |
| Luther League Review | $5,149.36 | | $ 5,059.90 | |
| Luther League Topics | 2,486.17 | | 2,474.60 | |
| Intermediate Quarterly Helps | 2,156.98 | | 2,131.18 | |
| | | 9,792.51 | | 9,665.68 |
| | | $ 14,083.32 | | $ 14,041.10 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| Disbursements: |  |  |  |  |
| Earned subscriptions transferred to general fund |  | 10,034.50 |  | 9,750.29 |
| Cash balance, end of year |  | $ 4,048.82 |  | $ 4,290.81 |
| *Fund for Young Adults:* |  |  |  |  |
| Cash balance, beginning of year |  | $ 2,269.85 |  | $ 3,052.31 |
| Receipts: |  |  |  |  |
| The United Lutheran Church in America — Executive Board — for Loyal Program | $ 2,979.49 |  | $ 1,912.82 |  |
| Sale of literature and manuals | 286.20 |  | 168.55 |  |
|  |  | 3,265.69 |  | 2,081.37 |
| Disbursements: |  |  |  |  |
| Transfer to general fund for costs of publishing Young Adult's Topic Materials in Luther League Review | $ 840.89 |  | $ 1,272.05 |  |
| Costs of printing and photographic materials | 614.42 |  | 1,249.00 |  |
| Transfer to general fund for manual printing costs | 750.00 |  | .... |  |
| Promotion | 441.00 |  | .... |  |
| Committee expense | 118.10 |  | 137.28 |  |
| Postage | 130.30 |  | 158.93 |  |
| Survey | 112.51 |  | .... |  |
| Supplies | .... |  | 46.57 |  |
|  |  | 3,007.22 |  | 2,863.83 |
| Cash balance, end of year |  | $ 2,528.32 |  | $ 2,269.85 |
| *China Skeldon Mission Fund:* |  |  |  |  |
| Cash balance, beginning of year |  | $ 7,054.22 |  | $ 6,830.97 |
| Receipts: |  |  |  |  |
| State and Synod Luther Leagues (Schedule I) | $ 3,124.63 |  | $ 10,222.76 |  |
| Interest on savings account | .... |  | 66.00 |  |
| Other receipts | .... |  | 59.55 |  |
| Total operating receipts | $ 3,124.63 |  | $ 10,348.31 |  |
| Repayment of travel advance | 100.00 |  | ... |  |
|  |  | 3,224.63 |  | 10,348.31 |
| Disbursements: |  |  |  |  |
| Board of Foreign Missions of The United Lutheran Church in America | $ 9,900.00 |  | $ 10,000.00 |  |
| Other expenses | .... |  | 25.06 |  |
| Total operating expenses | $ 9,900.00 |  | $ 10,025.06 |  |
| Travel advance | .... |  | 100.00 |  |
|  |  | 9,900.00 |  | 10,125.06 |
| Cash balance, end of year |  | $ 378.85 |  | $ 7,054.22 |

*Hawaii Mission Fund:*

| | |
|---|---|
| Cash balance, beginning of year | $ .... |
| Receipts: | |
| State and Synod Luther Leagues — (Schedule I) ........ | 7,644.00 |
| | $ 7,644.00 |
| Disbursements: | |
| Printing and promotional expense .................................... | 920.10 |
| Cash balance, end of year ........... | $ 6,723.90 |

*Bicycle Fund:*

| | |
|---|---|
| Cash balance, beginning of year | $ .... |
| Receipts: | |
| State and Synod Luther Leagues ................................ | 1,457.32 |
| | $ 1,457.32 |
| Disbursements: | |
| To The United Lutheran Church in America for purchase of bicycles, typewriters and food for Germany | 1,457.32 |
| Cash balance, end of year ........... | $ .... |

EXHIBIT "D"

## Reconciliation of Funds

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | Balance July 1, 1948 | Operating Receipts | Operating Disbursements | Balance June 30, 1949 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| General fund .................................. | $ 10,755.09 | $ 62,762.62 | $ 57,255.00 | $ 16,262.71 |
| Convention Reserve Fund ............... | 921.20 | 613.50 | 1,195.65 | 339.05 |
| Anniversary Fund ......................... | 10,443.35 | .... | 4,000.00 | 6,443.35 |
| Subscription Reserve Fund ........... | 4,375.42 | 9,665.68 | 9,750.29 | 4,290.81 |
| Fund for Young Adults .................... | 3,052.31 | 2,081.37 | 2,863.83 | 2,269.85 |
| China-Skeldon Fund ....................... | 6,830.97 | 10,348.31 | 10,025.06 | 7,154.22 |
| | $ 36,378.34 | $ 85,471.48 | $ 85,089.83 | $ 36,759.99 |

| | Balance July 1, 1949 | Operating Receipts | Operating Disbursements | Balance June 30, 1950 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| General fund surplus ....................... | $ 16,262.71 | $ 54,030.97 | $ 57,934.52 | $ 12,359.16 |
| Convention Reserve Fund ............... | 339.05 | 6,023.25 | 5,505.96 | 856.34 |
| Parsonage Fund* .................... ......... | 6,443.35 | 1,089.06 | 487.23 | 7,045.18 |
| Subscription Reserve Fund ........... | 4,290.81 | 9,792.51 | 10,034.50 | 4,048.82 |
| Fund for Young Adults .................... | 2,269.85 | 3,265.69 | 3,007.22 | 2,528.32 |
| China-Skeldon Fund ....................... | 7,154.22 | 3,124.63 | 9,900.00 | 378.85 |
| Hawaii Mission Fund ..................... | .... | 7,644.00 | 920.10 | 6,723.90 |
| Bicycle Fund ................................. | .... | 1,457.32 | 1,457.32 | .... |
| | $ 36,759.99 | $ 86,427.43 | $ 89,246.85 | $ 33,940.57 |

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* Formerly Anniversary Fund

## Receipts from State and Synod Luther Leagues and Congregations

## Apportionment, Youth Sunday, China-Skeldon Mission and Hawaii Mission

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | Apportionment | | Youth Sunday | | China-Skeldon Mission | | Hawaii Mission |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 7/1/1949 to 6/30/1950 | 7/1/1948 to 6/30/1949 | 7/1/1949 to 6/30/1950 | 7/1/1948 to 6/30/1949 | 7/1/1949 to 6/30/1950 | 7/1/1948 to 6/30/1949 | 7/1/1949 to 6/30/1950 |
| California | $ 220.00 | $ 345.00 | $ 480.90 | $ 514.33 | $ 77.00 | $ 161.11 | $ 100.00 |
| Canada | 880.00 | 800.32 | 342.82 | 436.65 | 956.87 | .... | 236.35 |
| Columbia District | 102.00 | 102.00 | 69.08 | 5.00 | 73.72 | 36.97 | .... |
| Connecticut | 228.00 | 228.00 | .... | 20.00 | 47.80 | 43.25 | 40.55 |
| Florida | .... | 226.00 | 121.17 | 103.45 | .... | 16.80 | 3.39 |
| Georgia-Alabama | 278.00 | 229.60 | 238.73 | 210.15 | 82.94 | 129.88 | 80.68 |
| Illinois | 614.49 | 713.20 | 926.13 | 486.33 | 37.50 | 66.85 | 793.44 |
| Indiana | 150.00 | 360.00 | 278.59 | 286.86 | 27.07 | 38.70 | .... |
| Iowa | 200.00 | 500.00 | 196.29 | 355.34 | 187.50 | 343.75 | .... |
| Kansas | 297.00 | 347.00 | 169.21 | 164.71 | .... | 331.00 | .... |
| Kentucky-Tennessee | 233.00 | 233.00 | 157.63 | 208.49 | .... | 133.77 | 105.00 |
| Maryland | 670.60 | 756.35 | 482.93 | 450.27 | 148.38 | 646.28 | 176.59 |
| Michigan | .... | 200.00 | 93.47 | 88.98 | .... | 119.03 | .... |
| Midwest | 492.00 | 246.00 | 272.18 | 379.78 | 200.84 | 28.58 | 375.00 |
| Minnesota | 247.88 | 212.62 | 174.62 | 342.98 | 130.67 | 133.98 | 301.40 |
| Mississippi | 34.50 | 33.00 | 7.00 | 39.88 | .... | 47.88 | 20.40 |
| Montana | 20.00 | 20.00 | 5.00 | 15.40 | .... | 20.00 | .... |
| Nebraska | 345.35 | 292.15 | 278.21 | 284.25 | (148.27) | 148.27 | 200.56 |
| New Jersey | 545.00 | 201.76 | 147.65 | 265.38 | .... | 307.50 | .... |
| New York | 493.40 | 959.54 | 699.18 | 1,003.74 | 232.91 | 446.65 | 449.47 |
| North Carolina | 1,197.00 | 1,697.00 | 1,221.30 | 1,499.40 | .... | 998.51 | 1,083.41 |
| Nova Scotia | 90.00 | 54.50 | 46.41 | 55.02 | 36.25 | 78.75 | .... |
| Ohio | 1,314.38 | 1,262.87 | 1,366.26 | 1,461.40 | .... | 1,107.11 | 765.61 |
| Pacific Northwest | 67.00 | 47.00 | 51.35 | 181.29 | 7.00 | 79.98 | 25.00 |
| Central Pennsylvania | 2,093.30 | 1,506.70 | 733.70 | 967.29 | 18.00 | 243.78 | 666.31 |
| Ministerium of Pennsylvania | 3,099.78 | 3,728.07 | 1,039.16 | 1,124.18 | 385.37 | 2,123.34 | 968.04 |
| Pittsburgh | 748.90 | 853.87 | 627.98 | 623.18 | 134.66 | 977.28 | 390.54 |

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**Brackets** ( ) denote red figures.

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Rocky Mountain | 98.00 | 70.50 | 13.00 | 101.34 | .... | 75.00 | .... |
| South Carolina | 966.74 | 820.76 | 523.06 | 697.99 | .... | 395.96 | 424.15 |
| Texas | 210.70 | 158.55 | 225.17 | 270.69 | .... | 160.14 | 185.28 |
| Virginia | 896.25 | 856.25 | 522.70 | 586.68 | .... | 75.00 | 63.10 |
| West Virginia | 245.00 | 50.00 | 171.28 | 148.37 | 350.42 | 100.31 | .... |
| Western Canada | 138.00 | 72.50 | 180.05 | 232.55 | .... | 260.38 | 8.50 |
| Wisconsin | 357.27 | 280.66 | 222.36 | 260.94 | 138.00 | 196.97 | 173.34 |
| Puerto Rico | .... | .... | 5.00 | .... | .... | 150.00 | 7.89 |
| Total | $ 17,573.54 | $ 18,464.77 | $ 12,089.57 | $ 13,872.29 | $ 3,124.63 | $ 10,222.76 | $ 7,644.00 |

## Accountant's Certificate

The Luther League of America
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

We have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of The Luther League of America for the years ended June 30, 1950 and June 30, 1949. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion the accompanying balance sheets and statements of cash receipts and disbursements present fairly the financial position of the League as at June 30, 1950 and June 30, 1949, and the results of its operations for the years then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding biennium.

TAIT, WELLER & BAKER
*Certified Public Accountants*

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
July 31, 1950

Mr. Henrickson introduced the following members of the Luther League, who addressed the convention: Mr. John Stacy, who spoke on the work of the Intermediate Department; Mr. Wendell Matthews, who described the Milton J. Bieber Memorial Project of the Luther League in Hawaii, and presented the first contribution toward the $25,000 goal to the Rev. R. H. Gerberding, executive secretary of the Board of American Missions; Miss Doris Smith, who gave a preview of the contents of the restyled publications, *Luther Life* and *High Ideals;* Mr. Harold Kruger, who described the plans of the Luther League for its 1951 biennial convention to be held on the campus of the University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa; and the Rev. Paul J. Renz, who described the financial situation of this Auxiliary and appealed to the convention for increased financial support of the Luther League in order that five of its vital services would not have to be curtailed or eliminated.

Mr. Henrickson introduced the three members of the Executive Staff of the Luther League, all of whom have been recently elected to their positions: Miss Mary Helen Smith, intermediate secretary; the Rev. John M. Mangum, associate secretary; and the Rev. F. Leslie Conrad, Jr., executive secretary.

Secretary-elect Conrad addressed the convention, sketching procedures which he hopes to introduce into the administration of the Auxiliary, and through which he hopes to gather the information and insights which will help the Luther League produce "the finest youth program of any Protestant church in America."

Mr. Henrickson moved the adoption of the auditors' report (p. 829).

The motion was adopted.

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President Fry called for the report of the Parish and Church School Board, and recognized the Rev. L. Ralph Tabor, president, for the presentation of the report.

Dr. Tabor began his presentation by offering a warm tribute of esteem and gratitude to the deceased member of the Board's staff, the Rev. J. Harold Mumper, and to the late Mr. Floyd Arbogast, member of the Board.

Dr. Tabor, after describing the teamwork characteristic of the Board's staff, drew attention to the four means through which the Board carries its services to the congregation. Fourth in this list was field work. The speaker mentioned some of the difficulties involved in effective field work, making pointed reference to the inability of field workers to carry with them adequate display material and samples of the printed matter, etc., which the Board makes available to the congregation. He then spoke gratefully of the concrete help which the Board of Publication has given to the Parish and Church School Board for its field work by the presentation to that Board of a station wagon, ample in size and durability to eliminate in large part the difficulty just referred to.

At this point, to the evident delight of the convention, the station wagon itself with Miss Catherine Juram at the wheel, was driven onto the stage.

Dr. Tabor introduced several members of the staff of the Board who, while attractive panels depicting Board services were placed across the stage, described certain departments of the Board's work. Introduced were: the Rev. W. Kent Gilbert, III, who spoke on Weekday Christian Education, appealing to the convention that it discover the teaching potential in the six days which lie between the Sundays; the Rev. William M. Horn, who mentioned his Board's strong desire and the new facilities available to link the home and the congregation; the Rev. Arthur H. Getz, who described the variety and inclusiveness of the lesson and guidance materials issued by the Board through which it aims to "enrich the life of our Church's constituency from the cradle to the grave." In the course of his comments, Editor Gilbert introduced Miss Catherine Juram, newly elected secretary for Children's Work, who assured the convention of her joy in the new ministry to which she has been called.

Dr. Rhyne introduced Miss Elfriede Hartig, newly installed education missionary in eastern Canada, who described briefly the increasing response which is coming from the territory assigned to her. In concluding remarks Executive Secretary S. White Rhyne pointed to the nine general services rendered congregations by the Parish and Church School Board. He also described five special services to which the Board has given added attention recently: Sunday School by Mail, a Writer's Workshop, a Vocational Conference for teachers in public and private schools, the program and facilities of camps and summer schools, work with synodical parish education committees and synodical secretaries for parish education.

## REPORT OF THE PARISH AND CHURCH SCHOOL BOARD

*(For action, see pp. 850, 811 of these Minutes)*

The Parish and Church School Board herewith submits its regular biennial report to The United Lutheran Church in America.

The support of The United Lutheran Church in America has enabled the Parish and Church School Board to continue its customary program with vigor and to begin many new ventures of far-reaching significance. The Board is grateful for the co-operation which has made its service a notable privilege.

### Two Great Emphases

In 1949, through the emphasis of Parish Education Month, the Board reminded leaders of the congregations, "It's Worth Our Best!" Achieving the aims of Christian parish education is worth the very best efforts of teachers, officers, pastors, congregations, synods — of the whole United Lutheran Church in America. In 1950 the Board urges the entire church, "Forward in Parish Education! Come! Learn! Serve with Us!" This emphasis is an invitation. It challenges every member of the Church to issue the invitation to everyone else.

The Parish and Church School Board has first confronted its own members and staff with these two emphases, "It's Worth Our Best!" "Forward in Parish Education!" Then it invites the Church and the world, "Come! Learn! Serve with Us!" The Board dedicates its best to the cause of parish education and summons the Church to an ever increasing dedication to the same great cause.

### A Trust in Five Areas

The Parish and Church School Board is deeply aware of the trust which The United Lutheran Church in America has placed upon it. The great trust of Christian teaching was given to the church by our Lord himself. "Feed my lambs." "Feed my sheep." "Go . . . make disciples . . . baptizing . . . teaching . . ." The Board now reports upon this trust of Jesus and the church under five headings:

I. Formulating a Plan of Parish Education for the Congregation

II. Preparing Literature for Parish Education

III. Helping to Develop Leaders for Parish Education

IV. Promoting More Extensive and More Effective Parish Education Helps

V. Administering the Work of the Board

### I. Formulating a Plan of Parish Education for the Congregation

The Board recognizes the congregation as the final authority in all matters of parish education. The congregation is responsible for the total program of parish education. The church council acts ad interim.

Each congregation is urged to appoint a committee on parish education or a parish education cabinet to formulate and forward the general program of education for the congregation and to establish its general policies.

As teaching agencies of the congregation, the Board recommends the following:

A. A Sunday Church School

B. A Weekday Church School

C. A Vacation Church School

D. The Children of the Church. The Children of the Church may function as a special Sunday session, a weekday church school, or a vacation church school.

E. Workers' Conferences. Each of the agencies mentioned above should have a workers' conference (meeting of teachers and officers) to direct the activities of the group.

F. A Confirmation Class of at least two years' duration.

G. The Recognized Auxiliaries of the Church. The Board has no jurisdiction over these groups but it recognizes them as vital participants in the educational program of the church.

H. The Christian Home. Greater stress upon the home as a teaching agency has been made during the past biennium than at any former time. This emphasis is being continued.

I. The Christian Kindergarten. Following the action of The United Lutheran Church in America at the Philadelphia convention, the Board has formulated the following outline to guide the revival and development of the Christian kindergarten through our congregations. The program will begin to function during the coming biennium.

*Aim for the Christian kindergarten:*

The Christian kindergarten should provide the child, for the two years prior to entering first grade, with a Christian education commensurate with his individual capacity for growth. The kindergarten should give present satisfaction as well as preparation for the years immediately following.

*Standards for the Christian kindergarten:*

The Christian kindergarten should meet all standards in leadership, building and equipment, and program set for the public schools of the state and community.

In addition, the following standards of the Church should be met: *Leadership*—The teacher should be a Christian whose personal influence will be a constructive teaching quality in itself.

The teacher should have some training in religious education.

*Pupil enrollment*—The number of pupils should be limited to those who can be taught effectively by the staff.

*Building*—The facilities should meet the highest local standards for health and safety.

Adequate space should be available for indoor and outdoor activity.

The kindergarten room should be attractive to children.

The room should have visible signs of its Christian character.

The kindergarten should have complete priority to all facilities assigned to it during its hours of operation.

*Finances*—An adequate financial plan should be assured for the program.

All funds to support the school should be provided in a Christian manner.

*Curriculum*—The curriculum should include definitely Christian content.

*Promotional and curriculum materials*—A manual to guide congregations in establishing Christian kindergartens will be prepared.

Literature to be used in the Christian kindergarten will be prepared. Qualified teachers for the Christian kindergarten are greatly needed. To meet this need the Parish and Church School Board recommends that The United Lutheran Church in America call upon the proper agencies of the Church to prepare teachers for Christian kindergartens. (*See Recommendations No. 1, page 846.*)

At the last convention of The United Lutheran Church in America, the Parish and Church School Board reported its study of the Christian Day schools according to the direction of the Church. At that time the Board offered the following recommendations which were adopted:

"1. That no action be taken at this time committing The United Lutheran Church in America to a general policy of encouraging congregations of our church to establish Christian Day Schools.

"2. That the Parish and Church School Board continue to study the need for and the possibility of the Christian Day School in our Church and to this end that the Board:

*a*) Formulate a statement of aims and standards for Christian Day Schools;

*b*) Evaluate the work of Christian Day Schools in our own and other church bodies;

c) Encourage limited experimentation in the field of Christian Day Schools under congregational sponsorship;

*d*) Continue to give counsel and nonfinancial assistance to those seeking such aid in regard to Christian Day Schools;

*e*) Report the findings of this continuing study to the conventions of The United Lutheran Church in America."

At the time of the Philadelphia convention, as far as the Board could determine, there were three Christian Day Schools in our church. All of these were in the elementary field serving only a limited number of grades. Since that time two of these schools have closed, mainly because of financial problems. The third school has had marked success. It has added a grade each year. At the close of the 1950 term it had classes from the kindergarten through the sixth grade, with a total enrollment of 80 pupils. However, even with this success, the congregation has decided not to add higher grades because of a lack of room and finances. According to a published report the congregation states, "Since the school is operating on a non-profit basis, there is not much prospect of going any further than we are now."

No new schools have been discovered, but there is one case where a United Lutheran congregation is co-operating in a joint Christian Day School.

Representatives of our Board have visited and observed in ten parochial or Christian Day School systems to determine trends and to make evaluations.

Counsel and nonfinancial assistance have been given to all who have requested it. The number of inquiries has been small.

There is the possibility of a school beginning, entirely under congregational sponsorship, in the Philadelphia area. If this takes place, under normal conditions and without undue influence, the Board may observe very closely the entire operation, its program, its possibilities, and its problems.

A series of tentative aims has been prepared, but the Board is of the opinion that any satisfactory formulation of aims and standards must await extended observation and study in actual situations.

It is the opinion of the Board that no further action on Christian Day Schools be taken at this time.

The increase in Sunday church school enrollment during the biennium has been higher than in any other two years of our Church's history. Confusion still exists concerning statistics for the weekday and vacation church schools and the Children of the Church. An effort is being made to correct this through adjustments in the parochial reports. Statistics for the past six years are listed below. Comments are made in another section.

### II. Preparing Literature for Parish Education

The work of preparing literature for the educational work of our congregations goes on behind the scenes. Few people realize what is involved in the preparation of a series of lessons, or in the preparation of a single text. It involves outlining the purpose or the aims of the lessons; establishing principles; determining the content, methods, and activities to be included; arranging number and size of pages; securing authors; preparing descriptions of the art work; guiding writers and artists; reading proof; and last but not least, meeting deadlines. Fortunately the Board of Publication has the responsibility of printing, advertising, selling, dis-

*Statistics of the Sunday Church School*

| *Year* | *No. Sunday Schools* | *Teachers and Officers* | *No. Pupils* | *No. Home Dept.* | *No. Nursery Roll* | *Total Pupils and Workers* |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1944 | 3,948 | 69,671 | 573,864 | 18,045 | 72,257 | 733,837 |
| 1945 | 3,952 | 70,177 | 578,472 | 17,995 | 74,843 | 741,487 |
| 1946 | 3,968 | 70,680 | 594,781 | 17,970 | 80,225 | 763,656 |
| 1947 | 3,986 | 72,415 | 611,492 | 18,618 | 86,524 | 789,049 |
| 1948 | 4,028 | 73,420 | 624,235 | 18,551 | 90,930 | 807,136 |
| 1949 | 4,058 | 75,431 | 695,864 | 18,499 | 96,832 | 886,626 |

*Statistics of the Weekday and Vacation Church Schools*

| *Year* | *No. Weekday and Vacation Schools* | *No. Teachers and Officers* | *No. Pupils* |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1944 | 1,228 | 6,836 | 71,491 |
| 1945 | 1,317 | 7,499 | 77,998 |
| 1946 | 1,477 | 9,005 | 88,384 |
| 1947 | 1,533 | 9,510 | 95,404 |
| 1948 | 1,571 | 10,441 | 95,278 |
| 1949 | 1,553 | 10,867 | 98,449 |

*Statistics of the Children of the Church and of Catechumens*

| *Year* | *No. C of C Leaders* | *No. C of C Children* | *Catechumens* |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1944 | 3,690 | 33,516 | 53,437 |
| 1945 | 3,627 | 32,717 | 53,204 |
| 1946 | 3,579 | 32,525 | 54,188 |
| 1947 | 3,729 | 33,253 | 58,168 |
| 1948 | 3,706 | 31,908 | 60,969 |
| 1949 | 3,726 | 31,420 | 62,326 |

tributing, and collecting for the sales. Our Board has worked happily with the Board of Publication.

Normally the established courses prepared under the auspices of the Board receive minor attention by the Church. They seem to be taken for granted; however, they are a major responsibility and require a large portion of the editors' time. Brief comments are made on these established courses and the new materials in the paragraphs which follow.

A. *The Augsburg Uniform Series,* the Rev. William M. Horn, Editor

Three editors have worked on this series of lessons since the last convention of our Church: Dr. J. Harold Mumper, until his death; Dr. Gustav K. Wiencke, as ad interim editor; and the Rev. William M. Horn, since the spring of 1950.

No major changes have been made in this series of lessons. Editor Horn is studying and evaluating the series, and will make suggestions for improvement at the December 1950 meeting of the Board.

The lessons in this series will cover the following topics during 1951 and 1952: First quarter 1951, Mark, Gospel of Action; second quarter 1951, Great Epochs of the Bible; third quarter 1951, Christian Teaching on Human Relations; fourth quarter 1951, The Beginning of the Hebrew Nation; first quarter 1952, Early Followers of Jesus; second quarter 1952, The Ten Commandments and Teachings of Jesus; third quarter 1952, The Rise of the Kingdom; fourth quarter 1952, Matthew, Gospel of the Christian Life.

B. *The Christian Growth Series,* Dr. Theodore K. Finck, Editor

This group-graded series of Sunday school lessons is a project in which our Board co-operates with the Boards of Parish Education and Publication of The American Lutheran Church and The Augustana Lutheran Church, and with our own Board of Publication.

The series is now complete from the first year of the beginner department through the third year of the senior department. By the time the Church is in session our Sunday schools will be using the primary, junior and intermediate materials in the third cycle, and the beginner and senior materials in the second cycle. Already the Board is working with the other agencies involved, looking toward keeping the series up-to-date through a gradual revision.

C. *Materials for the Parents of Nursery Children*

*The Nursery Packet,* furnishing a letter each quarter to parents from the time of their children's birth to the third year, is still being used. At the present time it has been revised and is awaiting editing. The revision has been made by the author of the packet and the editing will be done by Dr. Finck.

*The Nursery Messages* by Eleanor M. Stelzner has appeared since the last meeting of the church. It furnishes attractive messages to parents every three months during the first three years of the life of their child. It may be used in place of *The Nursery Packet* or along with it when another child comes into the home. This material was edited by the Rev. Reginald W. Deitz.

D. *Materials for the Nursery Class*

*In the Nursery* and *Little Visits with Jesus* by Marion Poppen Athy are being continued. This material furnishes one course for the children of nursery age. *Christians of Three* by Mabel B. Fenner is an entirely new series of lessons for children in the nursery class. Since October 1 it has been available for use in nursery classes. It furnishes a book for the teacher of the nursery class, a set of 52 children's cards, a set of four leaflets for the parents, a holder for the children's cards, and a set of 12 large pictures for teaching purposes. Dr. Finck was the editor.

E. *Elective Series for Young People and Adults,* Drs. Arthur H. Getz and Gustav K. Wiencke, Editors

The new series of elective courses is intended for classes in the young people's and adult departments which desire considerable variety in their study from quarter to quarter. This series also provides material for special interest groups in these age groups. Some of the texts are for young people only, others for adults only, and still others may be used in either age group. The texts which have appeared thus far are listed below. Others will follow. A number of the former elective series texts are still available and will be continued until texts in the new series replace them.

*Girding Youth for Abundant Living* by Marjorie Louise Bracher (Adults)

*Whatever You Do* by Clarence C. Stoughton (Young People)

*The Church in the World Today* by Stewart W. Herman (Young People and Adults)

*Truths We Live By* by Martin J. Heinecken (Young People and Adults)

F. *The Leadership Education Series,* Dr. Arthur H. Getz, Editor

The first two texts in this series were announced at the last convention of the Church. Other texts in the first and second series have appeared rapidly during the biennium. These texts are undergirding an aggressive program of leadership education in the church. The American Lutheran Church and The Augustana Lutheran Church are co-operating in the use of these texts where they are not particularly directed toward the program of our own church body. The texts which have appeared to date are listed below. Others will be published during the coming months.

First Series:

*Christian Growth—Unto the Fulness of Christ* by Paul J. Hoh and O. Frederick Nolde

*Understanding Our Pupils* by Milton A. Haker

*God's Master Builders* by Paul J. Hoh and O. Frederick Nolde

*The Story of The New Testament* by John Hiltner

*My Congregation at Work* by Albert P. Stauderman

Second Series:

*You Shall Be My Witnesses* by Wm. S. Avery and Royal E. Lesher

*The Goodly Fellowship* by Paul J. Krauss

*The Church in the Changing World* by Theodore G. Tappert

*Basic Christian Teachings* by Martin J. Heinecken

Leader's Guides for each of these texts are being prepared.

G. *The Children of the Church Series,* Dr. Theodore K. Finck, Editor

This series furnishes the curriculum for the Children of the Church. It also provides a choice of materials for vacation church schools and weekday church schools. Many of the units of this series were brought up-to-date during the past two years.

H. *The Christian Youth Series,* Dr. Theodore K. Finck, Editor

This series of units provides a choice of materials for the intermediate and senior departments of the vacation and weekday church schools. It also furnishes courses for special interest groups of any kind in these departments.

I. *New Vacation Church School Series,* Dr. Theodore K. Finck, Editor

The new vacation church school series of lessons appeared for the first time in the spring of 1950. It comprised lessons for the beginner, primary, junior, intermediate-senior, and young people-adult departments. It was exceedingly well received and was used extensively. The chief characteristics of the series are:

1. A common theme uniform through all departments

2. A common Scripture background—1950 the Book of Acts

3. A common project—1950 evangelism and missions

4. Some common activities

5. Current material—for use only in 1950

Plans are already in motion for a new series in 1951. The same basic principles will be followed in developing the series.

J. *A New Weekday Church School Series*, the Rev. W. Kent Gilbert, III, Editor

At the June 1950 meeting of the Board, an outline of an entire series of new weekday church school lessons was approved. The outline provides for lessons graded closely in parallel to public school grades; however, suggestions will be offered for the use of the materials on a group-graded basis for small schools. Where group grading is necessary, the following combinations will be provided for: Grades 1 and 2, Grades 3 and 4, Grades 5 and 6. Grades 7-9 (Junior High School), and Grades 10-12 (Senior High School).

The series will provide bound reading books for the pupils in all grades, workbooks for grades 1 through 6, a teacher's book for each grade, and a separate worship book.

*Objectives:*

The general objective is to foster an understanding of and commitment to our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ and the essentials stated by him in Mark 12:30-31. ("Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength . . . Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.")

The series recognizes three types of specific objectives. These are the "essentials" of the series. Certain elements of the total picture are to be dealt with in each of the individual courses. When the courses are combined in the series, they will provide thorough treatment of these total objectives. They are:

1. A thorough understanding of the essential content concerning:
    *a*) Jesus Christ
    *b*) The revelation of God
    *c*) The church
    *d*) The individual as a child of God
2. The fostering and proper motivation of traits and attitudes essential to the mature Christian personality
3. Provision for satisfying experiences in Christian living

*Use of the Bible:*

In keeping with the general principle, the series will endeavor to insure thorough familiarity with essential biblical passages, events, teachings, and movements.

Biblical survey courses will be designed to give:

1. A sense of continuity in Bible history
2. A knowledge of persons connected with major events
3. An appreciation of the unfolding character of God's revelation

The total series will attempt to promote pupil use and appreciation of the Scriptures.

Biblical material will be related constantly to the particular parts of the study upon which it has a bearing.

*Sessions:*

Number for year: thirty

Length of session: one hour with suggestions for longer periods

*Tentative Title of Courses:*

Grade 1—God in My World
Grade 2—Learning to Know Jesus
Grade 3—Getting Along
Grade 4—Following the Leader
Grade 5—Bible Adventures
Grade 6—I Want to Know
Grade 7—Christ the King
Grade 8—My Church
Grade 9—What's in the Bible
Grade 10—Why?
Grade 11—Christ in My Life
Grade 12—Then and Now

The present schedule calls for the following courses to be ready for use in the weekday church school in October 1952:

Grade 3—Getting Along
Grade 5—Bible Adventures
Grade 7—Christ the King
Grade 10—Why?

K. *Hymnals*

The Board has now prepared three hymnals:

*The Children's Hymnal and Service Book*
*The Christian Youth Hymnal*
*The Parish School Hymnal*

The latest of these, *The Christian Youth Hymnal*, has received a cordial welcome in the Church.

Following the regular procedures of the Church for the preparation of hymnals, the Board now has plans for two hymnals in the children's division: one for the little children and one for the older children.

L. *Preparation for Church Membership*

A one-year course for the confirmation class is being prepared under the editorship of Dr. Getz. The course will be for the pastor's class. The present schedule calls for the course to be ready for use in confirmation classes in October 1951.

Plans for a two-year course for the same age group are in the making.

A manual to assist pastors in preparing adults for church membership has been completed and is in the hands of the printer. It is scheduled for appearance in January 1951. The Rev. William M. Horn is the author and Dr. Arthur H. Getz is the editor.

Consultations are being held with the boards of Parish Education of other Lutheran Church bodies looking forward to the preparation jointly of a text to prepare adults for church membership. Nothing definite can be announced.

M. *Quarterlies for the Help of Parents*

To encourage co-operation between the home and the church school, the Board is preparing a 32-page quarterly which will appear in connection with the regular Sunday school lessons. It will contain three pages specifically to help the parents of children who use each of the following Sunday school lessons:

Little Ones
The Augsburg Junior Lessons
The Augsburg Intermediate-Senior Lessons
The Christian Growth Series—Beginner
The Christian Growth Series—Primary
The Christian Growth Series—Junior
The Christian Growth Series—Intermediate

The remaining eleven pages will be general material to help the homes understand their children, plan for the devotional life of the family, and use such events as the Christmas and Easter seasons, Reformation, and the like. The schools will be asked to furnish these for the parents and see that they are delivered in person, by the child, or by mail. This is the strongest move toward co-operation between the home and the church that the Board has ever made.

N. *Camp Materials*, Dr. Erwin S. Spees, Editor

To support the growing camp and summer school movement the Board has continued to prepare special camp courses for juniors, intermediates, and seniors. The courses are published in multilith form and are for current use. Their use has increased each year.

O. *Method Pamphlets*, Dr. Arthur H. Getz, Editor

There is now a small method pamphlet for the teachers and other leaders of each department in the church school from the nursery through the home department. Although they were just completed during the present biennium, several of these pamphlets already have been brought up-to-date and reprinted. Every teacher and officer should have the pamphlet which applies to his work.

P. *The Parish School*, Dr. Gustav K. Wiencke, Editor

Improvement in *The Parish School* goes on from issue to issue. This practical help for teachers and officers is a must for better teaching. The best testimony to the value of the magazine is its growing subscription list. More important than getting the magazine is using it.

Q. *Topics for The Brotherhood*

Dr. Arthur H. Getz continues to act as the Board's representative on the committee to prepare the topics which are used by the Brotherhood of our Church.

R. *Promotional Literature*

The Board now has a piece of promotional literature to publicize and encourage the use of practically every program and every type of material prepared by the Board. The promotional pieces are being revised almost continually. Much of this literature is published in co-operation with the Board of Publication.

S. *Missionary Emphasis*

During the months of January and February of 1950, in co-operation with the boards of American Missions and Foreign Missions, the Board provided helps so that the teachers of all Sunday church school lessons could emphasize missions in the regular teaching sessions. In the Augsburg Uniform Series the mission emphasis was written into the lessons. For the Christian Growth Series a special teacher's help was prepared.

T. *Stewardship Materials*

In co-operation with the Laymen's Movement and the Stewardship office of the Church the Board is helping to prepare special stewardship materials for children. In co-operation with the Luther League similar materials are being prepared for youth.

U. *Specials*

1. Messages for Sunday school offering envelopes. Each year the members of the staff prepare the messages for the offering envelopes used in the church schools.
2. The children's page in *Lutheran Woman's Work* is prepared by a member of the staff.
3. "The Open Forum" in *Lutheran Men* and the "Personal Problem Clinic" in *The Lutheran* are prepared by a member of the staff.
4. The practice of having persons from Canada review manuscripts from the Canadian point of view is being continued.
5. All periodicals of the church have very graciously opened their pages for articles concerning special phases of parish education.

Without flooding the Church, the Board seeks to keep a steady flow of needed literature available for parish education activities. It has appreciated the splendid way in which the Church has accepted and used this literature.

## III. HELPING TO DEVELOP LEADERS FOR PARISH EDUCATION

In a very special sense all of the field work of the Parish and Church School Board is directed toward developing the workers in our congregations. The leader's guides and much of the other material prepared under the direction of the editors have as their goal the improvement of workers. This, in reality, is leadership education and might be classified under this heading of the report of the Board.

For the specific purpose of developing leaders, however, the Board maintains a division of leadership education. This division carries on the formal and informal program of leadership education.

A. *Course Cards Issued*

The record given below refers only to course cards issued through our Board. It does not refer to cards issued through interdenominational agencies. The record covers the biennium. The increase over the past biennium was 422.

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|---|---|
| First Series Course Cards Issued | 7,383 |
| Second Series Course Cards Issued | 8,557 |
| Total | 15,940 |

B. *Third Series Course Cards and Certificates of Achievement*

There is a growing interest in third series course cards and certificates. These signals of recognition mark a higher step in leadership growth. During the biennium the Board issued a limited number of third series course cards and certificates of achievement.

C. *Leadership Year*

One year of the biennium just past, the field work of the Board was directed toward leadership education. The result has been a healthy attitude which will show itself during the years to come.

D. *Leadership Texts*

The new leadership texts which were reported under "Literature" will be a great impetus to the whole program of leadership education.

E. *Camp Nawakwa*

Camp Nawakwa is the leadership camp of the Parish and Church School Board. Its whole program from the junior camps to the Summer School for Church Workers is directed toward leadership education. The camp is developing literally thousands of leaders each year.

In a wider service to the Church, Camp Nawakwa opens its doors each year to a limited number of leaders who come to the camp on scholarships offered by the Board. The leaders come to observe the plant, the program, and spirit of Nawakwa. They return from Nawakwa to assist in the camping programs of their own synods. The method of selecting leaders for scholarships is:

The leader is suggested to the Board by the synodical committee on parish education.

From those suggested the director of Camp Nawakwa and the staff of the Board select ten persons.

The camp furnishes room and board and gives the leader instruction.

The Board pays a limited amount of travel expenses.

F. *Informal Leadership Education*

Through Sunday school conventions, institutes, workshops, conferences, and other such meetings the Board is continually carrying on a program of informal leadership education. In these meetings workers are given opportunities to observe, to do practice teaching and leading, and to examine materials.

In still less formal situations the Board holds coaching conferences, does counseling, and furnishes library and reading lists which contribute to the improvement of leaders.

G. *Writer's Workshop*

The Board conducted its first writers' workshop at Gettysburg Seminary, June 5-8, 1950. The purpose of the workshop was fourfold: (1) To interest people in writing; (2) to discover writers; (3) to improve the quality of writing; and (4) to provide fellowship for those interested in writing—a human and a divine fellowship.

Attendance was on the basis of a manuscript which was submitted, upon distribution in territory of the Church and distribution in age groups for which writing was to be done, and upon funds available for the workshop. .

One hundred and twenty persons submitted manuscripts. Fifty-six persons were selected and attended. In addition eleven members of the staff and seven outside leaders were present. The success of the experiment was far beyond the expectations of those who planned it, even though their hopes were high.

The workshop was financed through a grant of $2,500 by the Allocation Commission made from Part II of the 1949 apportionment.

Plans for a second workshop are already projected.

H. *Teachers' Conference*

Plans for a conference of public and private school teachers have been made, and the conference will have been held before the convention of the Church. The purpose of the conference is to give public and private school teachers an opportunity to think through together the implications of their Christian faith for their vocation. The conference is planned on the basis of the vocational conferences being held in Europe. Enrollment is limited to 100 teachers.

## IV. PROMOTING MORE EXTENSIVE AND MORE EFFECTIVE PARISH EDUCATION HELPS

Programs and literature, regardless of their excellence, are of no value unless they are used by workers, used extensively and effectively. In order that its programs and literature may be used by an increasing number of people, may be used more, and may be used better for Christian teaching, the Board has developed an aggressive program of enlistment and promotion. This program reaches up through the synods to the congregations, the workers, and the people.

A. *Synodical Committees on Parish Education*

The chief helpers of the Board are the members of the synodical committees on parish education. There is a committee in each synod. These committees act as eyes and ears for the Board when they report the needs and the desires of the congregations. They act as hands and voices when they carry the program of the Board to the congregations and tell them about it. The Board offers its sincere thanks to these loyal helpers.

B. *Regional Conferences on Parish Education*

Once each year representatives of the committees on parish education and representatives of the Board meet for a two-day session to discuss plans and programs. There are three such meetings. The first is held in the south for the southern synods, the second in the east for the eastern synods, and the third in the midwest for the synods in that territory. The far western synods are served through meetings with their respective committees. Some of the finest projects of the Board have originated in these conferences.

C. *Field Secretaries*

To provide leadership in selected areas of its work and to project its total work to the field, the Board has built up a staff of associate secretaries. Each secretary is asked to specialize in a given field and to develop that field in the Church. Their work is done by field trips in congregations and larger groups, by correspondence, by the preparation of promotional literature, by counsel and conference, and by programs developed in the office as the result of field contacts.

D. *Educational Missionaries*

The Board now has two educational missionaries. One is in western Canada and the other in eastern Canada. They are carrying the work of the Board into remote places and into undeveloped constituencies. The Sunday School by Mail in these areas, especially in western Canada, has grown to more than 1,000 pupils. Vacation church schools and leadership classes are being conducted where they were never tried before. Camps have developed partly as the result of the efforts of these workers.

E. *Field Contacts*

Through the personal visitation of its staff the Board has made the following field contacts in synods during the biennium:

| *Synods* | *No. of Field Contacts* |
|---|---|
| California | 47 |
| Canada | 97 |
| Central Pennsylvania | 153 |
| Florida | 40 |
| Georgia-Alabama | 33 |
| Icelandic | 45 |
| Illinois | 61 |
| Indiana | 47 |
| Iowa | 48 |
| Kansas | 71 |
| Kentucky-Tennessee | 53 |
| Maryland | 77 |
| Michigan | 40 |
| Midwest | 15 |
| Mississippi | 33 |
| Nebraska | 31 |
| New York | 131 |
| North Carolina | 39 |
| Northwest | 68 |
| Nova Scotia | 25 |
| Ohio | 87 |
| Pacific | 84 |
| Pennsylvania Ministerium | 254 |
| Pittsburgh | 122 |
| Rocky Mountain | 16 |
| Slovak-Zion | 1 |
| South Carolina | 92 |
| Texas | 108 |
| Virginia | 58 |

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|---|---|
| Wartburg | 17 |
| West Virginia | 38 |
| Western Canada | 145 |
| U.L.C.A. Intersynodical | 330 |
| Other Lutheran Bodies | 54 |
| Interdenominational | 163 |
| Total | 2,723 |

F. *Children's Division,* the Rev. Harner Middleswarth temporarily in charge

This division has the unique position of being in charge of all children's work in the church. The children are responsive, but the success of the division actually depends upon the response of the adult leaders of children.

The nursery department has continued to lead the division in growth. Through the years this growth will show itself in the departments as the large nursery enrollment passes through.

During the biennium the number of leaders serving in the Children of the Church groups has remained almost stationary. The number of children has decreased. There continues to be confusion in the gathering of statistics for the weekday church school, the vacation church school, and the Children of the Church. An effort is being made to clear this confusion.

The Children of the Church Festivals continue to be a rallying service for the children and their workers. The Children of the Church Work Kits help to develop the spirit of stewardship. During the biennium the children gave toward their financial objectives:

| *Year* | *Objective* | *Amount Given* |
|---|---|---|
| 1948 | $ 15,000.00 | $ 19,156.35 |
| 1949 | 15,000.00 | 18,524.78 |

For the purpose of good promotion, the promotion of the vacation church school in itself has been referred to the weekday division.

G. *Young People's Division,* the Rev. Lawrence M. Reese in charge

This division promotes young people's work through all of the educational agencies promoted by the Board. It enjoys a close fellowship with the workers of The Luther League of America. It has primary responsibility for the development of the catechetical classes and young people's work in the Sunday church school. It cuts across the vacation and weekday church schools in the young people's division.

To aid its work the division has developed a series of booklets giving guidance and furnishing resource materials to workers. The secretary of the division was a group leader at the conventions of The Luther League of America and the World Council of Christian Education.

H. *Adult Division,* Dr. Earl S. Rudisill in charge

The work of this division is greatly augmented in 1950 through the Family-Church Institutes being held throughout the Church by the field staff of the Board. A series of three-night meetings, in most cases, will be going on during the year. An institute involves six fifty-minute periods of study on the relationship of the home and the church in Christian teaching. The response to the meetings has been encouraging. Many requests have been received for the institutes to be repeated.

The division is also helped by the new elective courses for adults, and by many of the leadership texts which can be used in adult classes even where they are not seeking leadership improvement.

I. *Enlistment Division,* Dr. S. White Rhyne temporarily in charge

During most of the biennium Secretary Wm. S. Avery was in charge of this division. His leaving has limited field work in this activity. The work has been directed from the office.

The major purpose of this division is to help congregations increase the enrollment of their Sunday schools. Marked success has followed the program from its beginning. The reports on enrollment in 1949 show the largest increase in any one year in the history of the Church. The largest increase in any previous year was for 1922—37,701. The increase in 1949 was 79,490, more than twice as much as the banner year of 1922. This increase brings the total enrollment of the Sunday school to 886,626, or 54,420 higher than the peak year of 1934 when it was 832,206.

J. *Leadership Division,* Dr. Erwin S. Spees in charge

The work of this division was reported under item III. However, the division is listed here as it is a definite part of the promotional work of the Board. The division participates in all the field work of the Board and by its strong program undergirds all the divisions of the Board.

K. *Summer Schools and Camps Division,* the Rev. Marcus F. Otterbein in charge

The activities of this division have expanded by leaps and bounds. Synods, conferences, and other units of the Church have established camps and summer schools for church workers and are eager for consultation. Promotion of the camp courses has been a worth-while endeavor. The Christian Service Institutes are also promoted and organized through this division.

L. *Educational Buildings and Equipment Division,* the Rev. Marcus F. Otterbein in charge

As this division is disbanded in favor of the new Bureau of Church Architecture set up by the Executive Board it can feel that it has rendered a faithful service. During the period of its service there were many calls for help from the field. The secretary conferred with pastors, church councils, building committees, and architects. Many of the suggestions given are already realities in buildings over the Church.

M. *Weekday and Vacation Education Division,* the Rev. Harner Middleswarth in charge

This division enjoyed the support of a new series of vacation church school texts in 1950. The series met the demand of the congregations. A few experimental workshops for vacation church school workers were held. On the basis of their success others are planned for the winter and spring of 1951.

This division also lives in anticipation of the new weekday church school series of lessons. Until they appear the secretary is prepared to offer suggestions. A strong program of promotion will precede the appearance of the new weekday texts.

N. *Division of Audio-Visual Aids,* the Rev. George B. Ammon in charge

During the biennium the secretary of this division has been laying the ground work of a promising program. First steps have been to furnish co-ordinated audio-visual aids for existing literature and programs of the Board and for the new literature as it has appeared. Almost every piece of literature now published by the Board carries suggestions for audio-visual aids right in the text.

This division is gathering a file of pictures illustrative of parish education activities. One filmstrip, *That We May Work Together,* has been prepared and several, prepared by others, have been adapted to our programs. Further production will appear as literature demands are met.

O. *Division of Missionary Education,* Mrs. Mabel B. Fenner in charge

This division is a supporting division to all the other divisions of the Board. When editors need mission materials, this division furnishes it. When Sunday schools want to include missions in their program, this division tells them how to do it. In January and February of 1950 this division took the lead in planning the missionary emphasis in all of our literature.

P. *Educational Missionary in Western Canada,* Miss Eleanore Gillstrom

This work grew out of a need for service to children and young people who live in remote places in western Canada. The Sunday School by Mail was started and is now reaching more than a thousand people each quarter. The missionary has followed her prospects into their communities and has helped pastors conduct vacation church schools, set up better Sunday schools, and train leaders to reach the children within and without the church. The missionary has followed her prospects and brought some of them into the camping program of the synods in western Canada. In all of her work the missionary has carried the regular literature and programs of the Board. She has introduced them in situations where they have never been used before.

Q. *Educational Missionary in Eastern Canada,* Miss Elfriede Hartig

Miss Hartig has just come to the Board. Her work will be similar to that of the educational missionary in western Canada. She began her activity on the field on August 1, 1950, after a period of training with Miss Gillstrom.

R. *Parish Education Month*

The theme for Parish Education Month in 1949 was *"It's Worth Our Best!"* The theme for 1950 is "Forward in Parish Education! Come! Learn! Serve with Us!" The one evaluated the work of parish education and the other challenges to it. It challenges the learner and the teacher.

Parish Education Month seeks to have the congregations plan a year-round program of parish education during the early part of the year, and to set it in motion during September. It furnishes the most natural program for the congregation as every congregation must start its educational work afresh in September, for the educational year begins in October.

The 1950 theme for Parish Education Month, the poster, the four small folders for general distribution, and some of the other materials are being used by all the Boards of Parish Education of Lutheran Church bodies in the National Lutheran Council.

Plans are being made for the same practice in 1951-1954. The themes have been selected.

## V. ADMINISTERING THE WORK OF THE BOARD

A. Officers of the Board: President, the Rev. L. Ralph Tabor, D.D., Washington, D. C.; vice-president, the Rev. Hugo L. Dressler, Hickory, N. C.; secretary, the Rev. Arthur H. Getz, D.D., Philadelphia, Pa.; treasurer, Dean W. E. Tilberg, Ph.D., Gettysburg, Pa.

B. Advisory members of the Board from the Women's Missionary Society: Miss Mary E. Anstadt, Philadelphia, Pa. and Miss Frances Dysinger, Philadelphia, Pa.

C. Members of the Committees of the Board:

*a*) Executive Committee: The Rev. L. Ralph Tabor, D.D.; the Rev. Hugo L. Dressler; the Rev. H. Grady Davis, D.D.; the Rev. Paul R. Clouser, D.D.; and Dean W. E. Tilberg, Ph.D.

*b*) The Committee on Literature: The Rev. Paul R. Clouser, D.D.; Miss Karen Andersen; the Rev. O. Frederick Nolde, Ph.D.; the Rev. John W. Rilling, D.D.

*c*) The Committee on Field Work: The Rev. H. Grady Davis, D.D.; the Rev. Hugo L. Dressler; the Rev. Fred W. Kern; and the Rev E. Z. Pence, D.D.

*d*) The Committee on Finance: Dean W. E. Tilberg, Ph.D.; President Clarence C. Stoughton, Ph.D.

D. Losses in the Membership of the Board:

On June 6, 1949, Floyd L. Arbogast passed away in his home at Lewisburg, Pa. Mr. Arbogast had been a faithful and capable member of the Board. He had served on the Committee on Finance for six years. He was a devoted member of his local church, and an active layman in the Central Pennsylvania Synod.

In January 1950, the Rev. William M. Horn resigned from the Board in order to accept the call of the Board to become an editor on its staff.

E. New Members of the Board:

Upon nomination of the Board the following were elected members of the Board by the Executive Board:

President Clarence C. Stoughton, Ph.D., Springfield, Ohio

The Rev. Alfred L. Beck, Pastor of the Church of the Reformation, Rochester, New York

F. Expiration of Terms of Board Members:

The terms of the following members of the Board expire with this meeting of the Church. None of them is eligible for re-election.

The Rev. Hugo L. Dressler
The Rev. Paul R. Clouser, D.D.
The Rev. E. Z. Pence, D.D.
Dean W. E. Tilberg, Ph.D.

The loss of these loyal and able members of the Board will be seriously felt. One is the vice-president of the Board, two are chairmen of committees, and three are members of the Executive Committee.

G. The present employed personnel of the Board:

Executive Secretary: S. White Rhyne
Secretarial Staff: Lawrence M. Reese; Earl S. Rudisill; Erwin S. Spees; Marcus F. Otterbein; Mabel B. Fenner; Harner Middleswarth; George B. Ammon.
Editorial Staff: Theodore K. Finck; Arthur H. Getz; Gustav K. Wiencke; W. Kent Gilbert, III; William M. Horn; Mabel Elsie Locker.
Educational Missionaries: Eleanore L. Gillstrom; Elfriede Hartig.

H. Losses in the Membership of the Staff:

In January 1950, the Rev. Reginald W. Deitz resigned from the staff to accept the call of St. John's Lutheran Church, Columbia, Pa. Pastor Deitz had been a member of the editorial staff since he came to the Board. His cheerful disposition and effective work have been missed by the staff.

On August 3, 1949, Dr. J. Harold Mumper was called to his eternal rest. He had become ill a few days before as he taught a class at the Massanetta Summer School for Church Workers. Dr. Mumper was widely known and loved. He is missed by his fellow workers and by a great host of friends.

In January 1950, Miss Eleanor M. Stelzner resigned her position with the Board and was married a few weeks later. While she is greatly missed, the best wishes of all go with her in her new responsibilities.

On April 1, 1950, the Rev. Wm. S. Avery resigned to accept the call of the Board of American Missions to become Board missionary at Miami Shores, Florida. Pastor Avery had rendered a fine service as the associate secretary in charge of the enlistment program.

I. New Members of the Staff:

On January 17, 1950, the Rev. W. Kent Gilbert, III of Ramsey, N. J., came to the staff to fill the position left vacant by the resignation of the Rev. Reginald W. Deitz. Pastor Gilbert has for his assignment the preparation of a new series of weekday church school texts.

On March 15, 1950, the Rev. William M. Horn of Rochester, N. Y., came to the staff to fill the position left vacant by the death of Dr. Mumper. Pastor Horn has as his assignment the editing of the Augsburg Uniform Series of Sunday School Lessons.

Miss Elfriede Hartig of Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, assumed her duties as of July 1, 1950. She will serve as an educational missionary in eastern Canada.

J. Relationships:

Representatives of the Board have attended various meetings of the following:

The International Council of Religious Education
The Lutheran Intersynodical Committee on Parish Education
The Missionary Education Movement

The Board is co-operating with The American Lutheran Church and The Augustana Lutheran Church in the preparation of the *Christian Growth Series*, in various texts in the Lutheran Leadership Education Series, and in a few elective courses.

The Board is co-operating in Parish Education Month with the Boards of Parish Education of all the Lutheran Church bodies in The National Lutheran Council.

The Women's Missionary Society is furnishing funds to assist the Board in our division of missionary education, the enlistment division, the educational missionaries in eastern and western Canada, in the publication of the tract for the parents of newly confirmed young people, and in furnishing missionary education at Camp Nawakwa.

Youth Sunday is a co-operative project of The Luther League of America and the

Parish and Church School Board. These two agencies have a joint committee which meets twice each year.

Stewardship materials for children and young people are being prepared jointly with the Laymen's Movement and The Luther League of America.

In the preparation of literature and in the promotion of its programs, the Board works in the closest co-operation with The Board of Publication. That co-operation is a happy and helpful experience.

K. Finances:

The Board is grateful to the congregations of the church for their increased giving to the benevolent causes of the Church. The Board has shared in this increase and is eager to render a faithful stewardship in parish education materials and programs for the use of the congregations.

A Challenge

"It's Worth Our Best! Forward . . .! Come! Learn! Serve with Us!"

## RECOMMENDATION

That The United Lutheran Church in America call upon the proper agencies of the Church to prepare teachers for Christian kindergartens. (Amended, see pp. 850, 851)

Respectfully submitted,

L. Ralph Tabor, *President*

S. White Rhyne, *Executive Secretary*

## THE PARISH AND CHURCH SCHOOL BOARD

### Comparative Balance Sheets

EXHIBIT "A"

*June 30, 1950 and June 30, 1949*

| | June 30 1950 | | 1949 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Assets* | | | | |
| Cash in banks | $41,513.00 | | $31,847.39 | |
| Revolving travel account | 2,000.00 | | 2,200.00 | |
| Office furniture and fixtures | 11,636.92 | | 9,334.18 | |
| | | $55,149.92 | | $43,381.57 |
| *Liabilities and funds:* | | | | |
| Payroll withholding | | $ 62.57 | | $ 65.20 |
| General fund—(Exhibit "C"): | | | | |
| For general purpose | $55,087.35 | | $28,516.37 | |
| For enlistment program | .... | | 14,800.00 | |
| | | 55,087.35 | | 43,316.37 |
| | | $55,149.92 | | $43,381.57 |

EXHIBIT "B"

### Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 |
|---|---|---|
| *Operating Receipts:* | | |
| The United Lutheran Church in America: | | |
| Apportionment—Part I | $ 66,319.98 | $ 40,000.00 |
| Apportionment—Part II: | | |
| For leadership education enlistment | .... | 4,450.00 |
| For writers' workshop | 2,500.00 | .... |
| For payment of prior service benefit pension | 2,291.39 | 550.00 |
| For Teachers' Institute | 600.00 | .... |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Double apportionment — for Sunday school enlistment | .... | | 14,800.00 | |
| Specials: | | | | |
| The Women's Missionary Society: | | | | |
| Appropriations | 500.00 | | 500.00 | |
| Educational Missionary work | 2,600.00 | | 2,000.00 | |
| Enlistment program | 2,000.00 | | 2,000.00 | |
| New work | 5,500.00 | | 4,250.00 | |
| Children of the Church: | | | | |
| Administrative expense | 6,497.96 | | 6,500.00 | |
| Enlistment program | 1,156.73 | | 1,187.62 | |
| Pittsburgh Synod | 5.27 | | 33.24 | |
| | | $ 89,971.33 | | $ 76,270.86 |
| The Board of Publication: | | | | |
| Editorial division, appropriation | 38,104.02 | | $ 37,399.08 | |
| Literature printed by U.L.P.H. | 633.06 | | 1,043.16 | |
| Leadership education | 6,240.00 | | 6,240.00 | |
| Youth work | 5,239.92 | | 5,239.92 | |
| For payment of prior service benefit pension | .... | | 416.00 | |
| General expense | 2,019.96 | | 2,019.96 | |
| | | 52,236.96 | | 52,358.12 |
| Donations and miscellaneous receipts: | | | | |
| From Field for travel expense | $ 882.60 | | $ 737.05 | |
| From Field for miscellaneous | 299.45 | | 66.08 | |
| From summer schools for travel | 635.00 | | 640.00 | |
| Donations and refunds for editorial and other services | 1,712.55 | | .... | |
| Teachers' conference fees | 220.00 | | .... | |
| | | 3,749.60 | | 1,443.13 |
| Refund for preparation of camp materials | | .... | | 872.87 |
| Total operating receipts | | $145,957.89 | | $130,944.98 |
| *Other Receipts:* | | | | |
| Net increase in payroll deductions | $ (2.63) | | $ 65.20 | |
| Decrease in travel revolving funds | 200.00 | | .... | |
| | | 197.37 | | 65.20 |
| Total receipts | | $146.155.26 | | $131,010.18 |
| *Operating Disbursements:* | | | | |
| Salaries (Schedule I) | | $ 62,684.75 | | $ 58,772.88 |
| Travel expenses (Schedule II) | | 15,014.05 | | 14,185.60 |
| Building and maintenance | | 4,423.92 | | 4,167.92 |
| Promotional and publicity | | 3,019.06 | | 4,332.31 |
| Stationery and printing | | 521.26 | | 1,494.46 |
| Duplicating expenses | | 3,068.27 | | 2,103.07 |
| Telephone and telegraph | | 647.47 | | 448.13 |
| Postage | | 3,825.45 | | 2,387.30 |
| General office supplies and expenses | | 953.15 | | 1,010.45 |
| Contributory and lay pensions | | 2,569.94 | | 3,040.18 |
| Prior service benefit pension | | 2,291.39 | | 990.87 |

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Brackets ( ) denote red figures.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Insurance and bonding | | 396.24 | | 283.36 |
| Books and subscriptions | | 75.45 | | 83.55 |
| Audit | | 200.00 | | 135.00 |
| Editorial division: (Note) | | | | |
| Salaries (Schedule I) | $ 23,912.44 | | $ 25,002.12 | |
| Building and maintenance | 1,524.96 | | 1,524.96 | |
| Traveling expense | 687.36 | | 683.86 | |
| Moving expense | 771.19 | | .... | |
| Refund to Board of Publication | 3,721.83 | | .... | |
| Insurance | .... | | 43.43 | |
| Miscellaneous | 38.56 | | .... | |
| | | 30,656.34 | | 27,254.37 |
| Visual aid expense | | 524.41 | | 33.09 |
| Convention expense | | .... | | 83.80 |
| International council for religious education—dues | | 28.00 | | 24.00 |
| Contributions: | | | | |
| Leadership training school (Camp Nawakwa) | $ 300.00 | | $ 300.00 | |
| Missionary education movement | 107.64 | | 81.36 | |
| World Council of Christian Education | 60.00 | | 30.00 | |
| | | 467.64 | | 411.36 |
| Camp Nawakwa scholarships | | 60.00 | | 70.00 |
| Refund of funds erroneously received in prior years from Pittsburgh Synod | | .... | | 100.00 |
| Writers' workshop | | 2,055.47 | | .... |
| Miscellaneous | | 70.90 | | 46.75 |
| Registration fees | | 68.50 | | .... |
| Sunday school papers and camp units | | 565.25 | | .... |
| Total operating disbursements | | $134,186.91 | | $121,458.45 |
| *Other Disbursements:* | | | | |
| Purchase of furniture and fixtures | $ 2,302.74 | | $ 1,457.52 | |
| Increase in travel revolving funds | .... | | 1,300.00 | |
| | | 2,302.74 | | 2,757.52 |
| Total disbursements | | $136,489.65 | | $124,215.97 |
| *Summary:* | | | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of period | | $ 31,847.39 | | $ 25,053.18 |
| Operating receipts for year | $145,957.89 | | $130,944.98 | |
| Operating disbursements for year | 134,186.91 | | 121,458.45 | |
| Operating surplus | | 11,770.98 | | 9,486.53 |
| | | $ 43,618.37 | | $ 34,539.71 |
| Other receipts for year | | 197.37 | | 65.20 |
| | | $ 43,815.74 | | $ 34,604.91 |
| Other disbursements for year | | 2,302.74 | | 2,757.52 |
| Cash balance, end of period | | $ 41,513.00 | | $ 31,847.39 |

NOTE—Expenses of the editorial division do not include certain expenses, such as office salaries, postage, etc. which are included in the respective accounts as it was not possible to properly allocate those expenses.

EXHIBIT "C"

## Reconciliation of General Fund

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Balance, July 1, 1948 | | | $ 30,153.18 |
| Add: | | | |
| Operating surplus per Exhibit "B" | | $ 9,486.53 | |
| Restatement of furniture and equipment to cost: | | | |
| Cost at June 30, 1948 | $ 7,876.66 | | |
| Book value at June 30, 1948 | 4,200.00 | | |
| | | 3,676.66 | |
| | | | 13,163.19 |
| Balance, June 30, 1949 | | | $ 43,316.37 |
| Balance, July 1, 1949 | | | $ 43,316.37 |
| Add: | | | |
| Operating surplus per Exhibit "B" | | | 11,770.98 |
| Balance, June 30, 1950 | | | $ 55,087.35 |

SCHEDULE I

## Salaries Paid

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | 7/1/49 to 6/30/50 | 7/1/48 to 6/30/49 |
|---|---|---|
| Executive secretary—S. White Rhyne | $ 5,749.98 | $ 5,500.00 |
| Associate secretaries: | | |
| Rev. George B. Ammon | 4,200.02 | 2,000.02 |
| Rev. William S. Avery | 3,382.51 | 4,510.00 |
| Mrs. Mabel B. Fenner | 3,200.02 | 2,250.00 |
| Rev. Harner Middleswarth | 4,450.00 | 4,300.00 |
| Rev. Marcus F. Otterbein | 4,200.02 | 4,000.00 |
| Rev. Lawrence M. Reese | 4,450.00 | 4,199.98 |
| Rev. Earl S. Rudisill | 4,880.00 | 4,760.00 |
| Rev. Erwin S. Spees | 4,880.00 | 4,760.00 |
| Miss Eleanor Stelzner | 1,625.00 | 2,952.00 |
| Educational missionary— | | |
| Miss E. L. Gillstrom | 1,650.00 | 1,500.00 |
| Office secretaries (ten secretaries) | 20,017.20 | 17,740.88 |
| Additional worker—C. M. Weihe | .... | 300.00 |
| | $ 62,684.75 | $ 58,772.88 |
| Editorial division: | | |
| Editors: | | |
| Theodore K. Finck | $ 5,375.02 | $ 5,250.00 |
| Arthur H. Getz | 5,049.96 | 4,850.00 |
| J. Harold Mumper | 1,666.64 | 5,000.00 |
| Gustav K. Wiencke | 4,449.98 | 4,000.00 |
| W. Kent Gilbert III | 2,016.67 | .... |
| William M. Horn | 1,604.17 | .... |
| Assistant editors: | | |
| Mabel Elsie Locker | 3,750.00 | 3,600.00 |
| Reginald W. Dietz | .... | 2,302.12 |
| | $ 23,912.44 | $ 25,002.12 |

## Travel Expenses

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | 7/1/49 to 6/30/50 | 7/1/48 to 6/30/49 |
|---|---|---|
| Departmental travel: | | |
| Executive department | $ 1,119.59 | $ 661.59 |
| Educational missionaries: | | |
| Western Canada | 116.29 | 449.29 |
| Eastern Canada | 127.48 | .... |
| Missionary education | 1,038.46 | 401.40 |
| Sunday school enlistment | 916.25 | 2,225.26 |
| Weekday education | 1,053.00 | 850.79 |
| Leadership education | 847.27 | 1,311.60 |
| Children's work | 701.99 | 842.47 |
| Summer schools and camps | 1,155.19 | 1,255.69 |
| Adult work | 1,690.97 | 977.39 |
| Young people's work | 969.61 | 1,013.98 |
| Audio visual aids | 1,310.06 | 381.95 |
| | $ 11,046.16 | $ 10,371.41 |
| General travel: | | |
| Editors | $ 166.94 | $ 28.48 |
| Summer schools | 1,327.25 | 1,139.45 |
| Committee members | 600.35 | 618.74 |
| Board members | 1,642.67 | 1,493.60 |
| Conferences: | | |
| Audio visual exploratory conference | .... | 279.92 |
| Eastern regional conference | 91.74 | 87.19 |
| Midwest regional conference | 100.36 | 111.98 |
| Teacher's conference | 38.58 | .... |
| Miscellaneous | .... | 54.83 |
| | $ 3,967.89 | $ 3,814.19 |
| | $ 15,014.05 | $ 14,185.60 |

### Accountant's Certificate

The Parish and Church School Board
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

We have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of The Parish and Church School Board of The United Lutheran Church in America for the years ended June 30, 1950 and June 30, 1949. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying balance sheets and statements of cash receipts and disbursements present fairly the financial position of the Board as at June 30, 1950 and June 30, 1949, and the results of its operations for the years then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding biennium except that office furniture and fixtures are carried at cost basis.

Tait, Weller & Baker
*Certified Public Accountants*

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
July 26, 1950

Dr. Tabor presented the recommendation of the Board concerning teachers for Christian kindergarten (p. 846), and moved its adoption.

The Rev. Paul C. White presented the following substitute for the recommendation:

> "That The United Lutheran Church in America call upon the Board of Education to include as a special item in the promotion of church vocations, opportunities for service as teachers in Christian kindergartens."

The motion to substitute the above for the Board's recommendation was made and adopted.

The motion to adopt the substitute was made and adopted.

Dr. Tabor moved the adoption of the report of the auditors (p. 850).

The motion was adopted.

The Rev. Paul C. White presented the following recommendation:

> "Moved that the Parish and Church School Board be instructed to place special emphasis upon Bible study in its entire proposed new weekday church school series."

The recommendation was adopted.

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The president called upon the Rev. Carl C. Rasmussen, Chairman, to present the report of the Special Commission on Titles.

## REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMISSION ON TITLES

*(For action on the recommendations in this report, see p. 853)*

Your commission is keenly aware of the complexity of the issue laid before it.

There are numerous and weighty considerations for a change of nomenclature. As to the administrative head of the United Lutheran Church, for instance:

1. To designate him as "bishop" would be in keeping with time-honored ecclesiastical practice. Such was the title for centuries before the Reformation; and though the Reformation reaction against Roman practices resulted in the rejection of this title in many places, weighty reasons have restored it in more and more countries and churches. This is conspicuously illustrated among our fellow Lutherans in Denmark, Norway, and the German *Landeskirche.*

2. "Bishop" is a title which was already current in the New Testament; and from there it was accepted by the church in every century since the first.

3. The adoption of the title would accord with the growing sense of the unique nature, position, and mission of the Church, which is increasingly evident among our people.

4. The title does not necessarily carry with it either sacerdotal views of the ministry or further enlargement of the authority vested in the chief administrative office of the Church.

5. This title would more truly indicate to others the true dimensions of the office of the administrative head of the U.L.C.A., and this is a day in which the world sorely needs to have the official voice of the church heard by men in highest offices of state. The state is not under the authority of the church. But, on the other hand, the state must not be allowed to make the tragic mistake of regarding itself as autonomous. It even stands under the judgment of God; and the church is divinely charged to speak the will of God to the state. It is a manifest fact that leaders of state accord a much readier hearing to a "bishop" than to a "president" of a church.

6. Many in our Church are hoping, for such reasons, for this change of appellation.

On the other hand, your commission is also aware of considerations that are advanced to counsel against the suggested change:

1. The New Testament use of the term "bishop" does not support the proposed change. It was a much later development when the term "bishop" was appropriated for administrative officers of the church. The original significance was relevant to the pastoral ministry of the Word and Sacraments, and not to the administration of an ecclesiastical organization.

In this connection it is interesting to note that there have been Lutheran churches in America that, in good harmony with the New Testament practice, designated all pastors as "bishops."

2. Article VII of the Augsburg Confession recognizes that it is "not necessary that human traditions, rites and ceremonies, instituted by men, should be everywhere alike." Titles of church officers belong to that category.

3. The change of title is quite unnecessary when the presidential office is filled by a man of the needed stature, as the current recognition of the leadership of the U.L.C.A. so convincingly shows. And if the incumbent be not of the needed stature, the title cannot long veil that fact.

4. If there be good reason to effect the suggested change in title of the president of the U.L.C.A., the same logic applies throughout the Church. If "president" be an alien title, its use is no less improper in the local congregation and its auxiliaries; in conferences and in district synods. The logic of the proposed change calls for a change of nomenclature throughout the organizational life of the Church. The initiation of such a movement would involve a serious and unnecessary wrench for the life of a church whose present fruitfulness demonstrates that the change is not necessary.

5. If, for considerations like those used to support the adoption of the title "bishop" for the chief administrative officer of the U.L.C.A., a like change is indicated for synodical presidents, the Church at once faces the necessity to match the uniqueness of the position with uniqueness of title for the officer of the general body. He would need to be called "presiding bishop," "ruling bishop," "chief bishop"—or, perhaps, "archbishop."

6. Even though the change of title be wise, it would be a serious mistake to make it at this time, or even to take steps at this time towards such a step later. All of us pray earnestly for the eventual union of all Lutherans in America. It is unnecessary to say that there are already many obstacles in the way. For one Lutheran body alone—and particularly, for the U.L.C.A. alone—to adopt the episcopal title would not be an aid to the hoped-for unification. If that change of title is to be made among Lutherans in America, it should not be made at a time like this by a single body.

7. The change of title is related to the question of length of tenure of office; whether it be utterly necessary that the office of "bishop" be lifelong, the tendency in that direction is undeniable. That question is of course as crucial as to synodical "bishops" as to the "bishop" of the U.L.C.A. Any step tending in the direction of permanence of tenure is a violent departure from the historic congregationalism of our polity. If the Church wishes to make such radical change of polity, it should be effected by direct action thereon, not by the indirection of a titular change that involves a polity.

8. If a change be made that tends towards making official incumbency permanent, the Church is likely to suffer serious damage in the event that—for any reason—her "bishop" develops an incompetency.

(Report committed to Commission for further study, see p. 853.)

## CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

A. Having sought to give serious attention to the total situation, and believing that the present titles used to designate the officers of the Church are adequate for the administration of the Church, *your commission unanimously recommends that no change in these titles be made now.* (Adopted, see below)

B. In conclusion, realizing that Lutheranism in America may eventually elect to adopt the episcopal title for its leadership we believe that this matter might profitably be discussed in general assemblies of the Lutheran bodies of America; therefore, *we recommend that the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church be requested to use its efforts to have this subject of ecclesiastical titles placed on the agenda for discussion in future general assemblies of the Lutheran churches of America.* (Recommitted to Commission for further study, see below)

Carl C. Rasmussen, *Chairman*
P. D. Brown
Paul H. Krauss
Levering Tyson
A. A. Zinck

After describing some guiding principles which the Commission followed in the preparation of its report, Dr. Rasmussen presented recommendation A. above and moved its adoption.

Recommendation A. was adopted.

Dr. Rasmussen moved the adoption of Recommendation B.

Mr. H. Ober Hess presented the following amendment to recommendation B.:

> "Moved to amend recommendation B. by adding at the end, and as part of the same sentence, the following: 'reporting to them that the 1950 convention of The United Lutheran Church in America received with favor the adoption of appropriate ecclesiastical titles by the several Lutheran churches in America and the constituent synods thereof.' "

The Reverend Henry B. Luffberry presented a motion to recommit the report with recommendation B., and the proposed amendment, to the Commission for restudy.

President Fry surrendered the Chair to address the convention in support of the motion to recommit, pointing out certain practical difficulties which would stand in the way of carrying out some of the actions implied in the proposed amendment to Recommendation B.

A motion calling for the putting of the previous question, having been adopted, the president put the motion to recommit. The motion was adopted.

The Hon. James F. Henninger presented a motion to extend the time of the session five minutes.

The motion was adopted.

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Mr. Virgil W. Doub, chairman, Committee of Elections, gave instructions to the delegates concerning ballot number two for members of boards and agencies.

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The hour of adjournment having arrived, the president called upon the chaplain to lead the convention in the closing prayer.

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## FIFTH MEETING

### Second Session

KRNT Radio Theater, Des Moines, Iowa
Monday, October 9, 1950, 2:00 P.M.

The chaplain conducted the devotions.

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The president declared that ballot number two for ULCA boards and agencies was closed.

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The Rev. Earl S. Erb, chairman, presented the report of the Committee on Minutes. In advance of offering the committee's recommendation, he indicated that the following is the correct wording of the amendment proposed by the Rev. Henry B. Luffberry, which amendment is pending (p. 639).

> "Moved to strike the words 'Soviet powers, in seeking their goal' in the first paragraph and substituting therefor the words, 'nations that seek their goals.' "

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINUTES

The Minutes of the Third Meeting, Morning and Afternoon Sessions, and the Fourth Meeting, Morning Session, have been mimeographed and distributed to the delegates. We recommend that the Minutes of those sessions as distributed be approved by the convention. The recommendation of the committee was adopted.

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The president called for the report of the Board of Publication and recognized the Hon. Hiram H. Keller, president, for the presentation of the report.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLICATION

*(For actions on the recommendations in this report, see p. 867)*

The Board of Publication makes the following report concerning its activities during the biennium 1948-1950 to the United Lutheran Church:

### Book Publications

The Board reports progress in this field. The objective of 12 titles per year was not maintained but 14 books were published in two years. It is of interest to report the fields covered as well as the titles and the authors.

PERSONAL RELIGION—Bishop Hanns Lilje's account of his experiences and spiritual reflections while a prisoner of the Gestapo—*In the Valley of the Shadow.*

PRISONERS OF HOPE, another series of "chats" about the spiritual life, by the saintly Dr. Herbert C. Alleman whose *Personal Religion* published earlier is a popular favorite.

POETRY—The posthumously published collection of verse by Margaret Seebach under the title, *Here We Have Stars.*

COLLEGE TEXTS—The first of a series of college textbooks for teachers in Christian colleges—*Highways of Philosophy* by Merle Boyer.

RURAL CHURCH—Frank Herzel's timely appraisal of the church and the farm communities—*More Than Bread.*

PARISH EDUCATION—At last a thorough book for the church school leader and for the student of parish education techniques—*Leading a Sunday Church School* by Dr. Ralph D. Heim.

DOGMATICS — A translation from the Swedish by Bishop Gustaf Aulen titled *The Faith of the Christian Church* which was declared to be "the most important book in a decade" when it was first published.

BIBLICAL STUDIES—A careful analytical study of Pauline theology by Eric Wahlstrom, *The New Life in Christ,* is just being launched as this report is prepared.

Bishop Anders Nygren's *Commentary on Romans* has been very well received with enthusiastic reviews in the journals of evangelical denominations.

DEVOTIONAL MATERIALS—A year with Martin Luther—a daily meditation with appropriate Scripture texts selected carefully from Luther's works. Laudatory comments have been received from purchasers who have not had previous knowledge of Luther's versatility and timelessness. Published under the title, *Day by Day We Magnify Thee.*

CHILDREN, too, must be provided with devotional material. In fact, there is a great paucity of material for this purpose. A splendid start was made in *We Bow Our Heads,* the attractively designed compilation of prayers and memory verses for children prepared by Dr. John W. Doberstein, and illustrated by Mrs. Peggie Geiszel.

CHRISTIAN ETHICS—Dr. Eberhard Mueller, eminent German theologian, has written a study of the Christian and society which Dr. Gustav K. Wiencke has translated. This is scheduled for publication in 1950 under the title, *Modern Man and Society.*

Another book in the same general area, *Christian, What about Society?* by Dr. Herman Keiter is scheduled for publication in 1950.

KNUBEL-MILLER LECTURES—Two Knubel-Miller lecture series were published during this biennium—*The Doctrine of the Word* from lectures given by Dr. Joseph Sittler, Jr. and *Preaching from the Propers* from lectures given by Dr. Harry F. Baughman.

MISSIONS—The mission work in the Virgin Islands was highlighted by the publication of a history of the Virgin Islands under the title, *The Virgin Islands Story.* The history was the result of years of research by The Rev. Jens Larsen, a pastor in the missionary forces in the Virgin Islands.

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE—A number of important translations are scheduled for publication in the biennium 1950-1952. There are approximately twenty manuscripts, authorized by this Board's Literature Committee, to be published shortly. In an effort to secure an additional supply of suitable manuscripts, the Board has announced a Rung Award for 1951 of $5,000 ($2,500 outright and $2,500 in advance royalties). For the first time the Rung Award entry has been opened to all rather than restricted to members of the United Lutheran Church. The amount to be awarded outright is accumulated income from the Rung Estate which the Board administers for this purpose.

Since the report of the Parish and Church School Board includes a full statement of all new curricular publications during the biennium, no statement is included on these in this report. During the biennium, an integration of the work of these two boards through frequent consultation of executives and full interstaff conferences has prevailed.

In the period covered by the report, the Board of Publication has been represented on a special Committee on Spanish Literature through the Executive Secretary of the Board.

### Audio-Visual Aids

The Board reports that during this two-year period there has been a rapid increase in the number of congregations equipped to use supplementary audio-visual aids. The number of motion picture films, filmstrips, and film slides purchased and rented indicates an increased use of visual aid materials. The Board of Publication through its various branch offices has served the other boards of the Church, more particularly the Board of Foreign Missions, as a distribution center of motion pictures and film slides.

The production of audio-visual materials has been undertaken in a limited manner in conjunction with other Christian agencies through the Protestant Film Commission. The interest of the Board in the Religious Film Association, a joint agency controlled by Protestant church-owned publishing houses, has been increased both by investment in its projects and the accumulation of operation surplus by the Religious Film Association. This agency operates film libraries in many areas in which this Board does not have branches.

The production of a sound motion picture film on the work in Puerto Rico for the Women's Missionary Society is in the planning stage. Also projected are film slide sets to be produced in co-operation with the Parish and Church School Board.

### Church Music

The Board of Publication has hitherto limited its publication of music to the official hymnals of the Church. A new departure in the field of music, therefore, is a series of descants on familiar hymns, composed by the Rev. L. David Miller, and published in 1950.

In the realm of plans, a Department of Music is under study. The Board has also authorized an award contest for the submission of original hymns to be conducted in 1951.

### Ecclesiastical Arts

The Board of Publication has continued to expand the service rendered in Ecclesiastical Arts. In the field of paramentics, a distinct advance was made when, at the request of the Board of Publication, the Mary J. Drexel Motherhouse of Deaconesses assigned Sister Grace Jones, who is a specialist in paramentics, to service with this Board. Under the capable direction of Sister Grace, a beginning has been made in this field.

With the aid of a consulting designer, a service in refurnishing and redecorating has been expanded during the biennium. This department of the Board has been privileged to assist many congregations in improving the appearance of their sanctuaries and other parts of their buildings. This service is limited to decoration and furnishings, and will not be extended to architectural or structual rebuilding.

Requests from pastors in rural areas for information about sources for black suits led to the discovery that, because of the slight demand, very few ready-made clothing merchants outside of urban areas carried black suits in stock. Such clothing as was available was high in price. Reliable sources were found, and it has been possible for the Board to assist pastors by supplying clerical clothing of good quality at reasonable prices.

### Business Operations

The relatively new branches in Los Angeles and Baltimore have justified their establishment. Encouraged by the successful and profitable operation of these outlets in more efficient service to the Church, the Board of Publication has pressed plans to open two additional branches; i.e., the re-establishment of a branch in New York City and the opening of a branch in Canada. The New York City branch has been re-opened after a lapse of twenty-two years at 17

Park Place. It is anticipated that in the latter part of 1950 the Canadian Branch will be established in Kitchener, Ontario.

The Treasurer's statements submitted with this report indicate the financial progress during the biennium and need no further comment here.

The building at 1617 Sumter Street, Columbia, South Carolina, was sold in April 1950. It had been constructed in 1912 as headquarters of the Board of Publication of the United Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the South and the editorial office of *The Lutheran Church Visitor.* Dr. Walton H. Greever, then editor of *The Visitor,* engineered the fund-raising and business negotiations which made possible the dedication of the building free of debt. The building provided sufficient space for a book store and publication offices on the first floor (with printing equipment in an adjoining building) and had three upper floors which were leased as an apartment hotel. The property was transferred to the United Lutheran Publication House as a consequence of the 1918 merger. It is planned to construct a new building of smaller size which will provide space for the U.L.P.H. Branch headquarters in the South and also offices for the Synod of South Carolina. Pending fulfillment of this plan, a building has been leased for these purposes at 1125 Blanding Street in Columbia.

The property at 2600 N. Broad Street, Philadelphia, which was acquired for a new building to house offices and plant before construction costs rose so rapidly, has been listed for sale, and a construction project to add additional space on a lot adjacent to the Muhlenberg Building is in the hands of an architect.

### "The Lutheran"

At the 1948 convention, this Board reported on a promotional program developed in conjunction with the Ohio Synod, Virginia Synod, the Canada Synod and the Ministerium of Pennsylvania.

The program was approved by the convention, and by its action congregations and members were urged to make an effort to place *The Lutheran* in every home.

An aggressive campaign has been pursued jointly with twenty-four synods during this biennium. The Board of Publication is now happy to report that, as *The Lutheran* enters its 120th year of publication, the seeming indifference to the Church's official publication has begun to disappear. *The Lutheran* is now of greater service to the Church because of its increased readership.

The March 29, 1950 issue of *The Lutheran* had a circulation of 88,270 copies, an all time high. This is slightly more than double the 44,030 copies mailed for the corresponding week during 1948.

The basic thought expressed again and again during this biennium in meeting with synodical committees on *The Lutheran* is that it was safe to assume that members of the United Lutheran Church do revere their Church, that they have an earnest desire to function as active loyal Christians, and are interested in knowing more about their Church. Unsolicited testimony has been offered again and again by pastors that *The Lutheran,* through its unsurpassed coverage of church news, develops a well informed loyal laity. The net effect is that congregational responsibilities are assumed more readily and the work of the whole church benefits.

The Board of Publication records its appreciation for the co-operation given to it by 24 of our 32 synods during the biennium in this effort to increase the circulation of *The Lutheran.* Particularly the Board reports its gratitude to those pastors and laymen who served on the synodical committees on *The Lutheran.* Without their enthusiastic and really arduous work what success has been achieved would not have been possible.

A list of the co-operating synods and total subscriptions (in round numbers) received during the three-month promotional periods assigned to them in 1949-1950 is given below:

| | |
|---|---|
| California | 1,500 |
| Canada | 1,000 |
| Central Penn. | 4,500 |
| Florida | 810 |
| Georgia-Alabama | 710 |
| Illinois | 1,600 |
| Indiana | 1,200 |
| Iowa | 560 |
| Kentucky-Tenn. | 600 |
| Maryland | 2,900 |
| Michigan | 280 |
| Midwest | 1,100 |
| Ministerium of Pa. | 10,000 |
| Mississippi | 120 |
| New York | 3,500 |
| North Carolina | 3,100 |
| Northwest | 6,500 |
| Ohio | 13,000 |
| Pacific | 300 |
| South Carolina | 2,300 |
| Virginia | 1,700 |
| Wartburg | 200 |
| Western Canada | 410 |
| West Virginia | 1,000 |

During the past biennium literally hundreds of congregations, by including in their budget an item sufficient to subscribe for each family, have insured the receipt by their communing members of weekly reports of the surging life of the Church through the pages of *The Lutheran.*

The list of congregations which budget for *The Lutheran* is too large to include in this report. The list is a representative cross section of the Church. The Board of Publication wishes to extend its congratulations to the long list of pastors of congregations who have recognized the great value of *The Lutheran* as an assistant pastor.

The peak circulation (88,270) reflects a ratio of 1 subscriber to every 10.3 communing members in the United Lutheran Church. The official paper of another Lutheran church in the United States is mailed to 1 out of every 3 communicant members. The Board of Publication has based its estimates of a potential circulation of *The Lutheran* on 1 subscription to every 3 communing members, or 227,351.

Of the 24 synods which co-operated during this biennium only two, Mississippi and Florida, surpassed the ratio of a subscription for every four communing members. West Virginia, Ohio and Georgia-Alabama reached between 60 per cent and 80 per cent of their potential circulation on this basis while the median for the 24 synods was between 30 per cent and 40 per cent.

### Tracts

In September 1949 the Board re-established the service of the "Ministry of Christian Tracts" which had lapsed due to the war. Under the revised plan a new series of six tracts will be offered annually in the fall of each year. Each pastor is privileged to order and receive ten copies of each tract free of charge. Additional copies can be ordered at a moderate cost. As of April 1, 1950, 212,000 copies of the tracts in the 1949 series had been distributed.

### Services

The Board of Publication reports the completion of the third year of service by the *Pastor's Desk Book.* As of April 1950, 32 monthly mailings totaling 478 pages and annual planning calendars have been mailed to U.L.C.A. pastors, to deaconesses in the United States and Canada, and, in co-operation with the Board of Foreign Missions, to all missionaries. The comments received by the Desk Book editor indicate that the Desk Book is a highly appreciated service rendered by the Board of Publication free to the pastors.

It should be reported, also, that the Board of Publication is assisting the Committee on Publicity of the United Lutheran Church in the operation of the U.L.C.A. News Service by Underwriting 50 per cent of the budget for the operation of this increasingly valuable service to the Church.

The service of the Board in connection with the U.L.C.A. *Year Book* should also be mentioned. The *Year Book* requires an annual subsidy since the cost of production is always in excess of the receipts from distribution and advertising. The 1950 edition of 26,088 copies was completely sold out shortly after publication.

### Service Bulletins

This useful means of imparting information on doctrine, usages, and work of the Church has continued to expand. Each Sunday 435,000 persons are reached directly and many more indirectly by the fourth-page messages on the Service Bulletins. This distribution represents 2,247 subscribers to this service.

### Devotional Literature

The Board of Publication has continued to offer *The Word in Season* (prepared by the Stewardship Committee of the Northwest Synod). The format of *Light for Today* was changed early in this biennium and the circulation has increased 85 per cent. Staff discussions regarding devotional material within the understanding of junior members of the family have developed a plan, to be launched in the 1950-1952 biennium, to supply devotions in book form for the family with junior-age children.

### General

The Board of Publication reports to the 1950 convention of the United Lutheran Church that it has aggressively continued its service to the Church during the 1948-1950 biennium. It also reports that it has working plans for improvement of its service in nearly every field committed to it by the Church.

While services of the Board of Publication to the Church are not measurable in dollars, there are some figures which are significant and which are not made clearly apparent in the usual financial reports. They might be called "hidden contributions." One is the annual subsidy required to publish *The Lutheran* at a price which brings it within the means of the average church member. In 1949 the subsidy was $40,059.28. Subsidy for publication of the 1949 *Year Book* was $503. The cost of the U.L.C.A. News Service to the Board in 1949 was $1,340.64. The *Pastor's Desk Book* was published at a cost of $9,003.14 in 1949. The cost of printing the 1950 *Appointment Book* was $1,610.

These subsidies totaled $52,516.06. To these should be added $19,408.16 appropriated to the Parish and Church School Board in 1949 and $16,000 to the Executive Board (used to pay interest and amortization of principal on the Church House mortgage).

The Board of Publication records with regret the death on April 3, 1950, of the esteemed Dr. C. Reinhold Tappert, who served the Church for more than 20 years as the editor of the *Lutherisher Herold* before his retirement in 1943. The Board in deepest humility records its acknowledgment of the sacrificial service of Dr. Tappert and of the many others who have entered into the Life Triumphant and who gave of themselves to make effective the "Ministry of the Printed Word."

Mrs. M. A. Roberts, after more than thirty years of consecrated service to the Church, resigned as Treasurer of the Board of Publication as of July 1, 1949, to enter upon a well-earned retirement. Mr. E. P. Hoeppner, who had been serving in the capacity of Sales Manager, was elected Treasurer.

This report would not be complete without acknowledgment by the Board of Publication of the assistance of the Executive Board during the past biennium in the refinancing of the Church House indebtedness which freed working capital of the Board of Publication. The Board also records its gratitude for the heartfelt interest and help of the Executive Board, the officers of the Church, and pastors and laymen through the Church in the circulation program of *The Lutheran.*

### RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that:

1. The United Lutheran Church in America in convention assembled draw

to the attention of the Synods and congregations of the United Lutheran Church that *The Lutheran*, the official organ of the Church, is essential to a well informed membership and that every effort should be made to place the weekly edition of the church paper in every home in the United Lutheran Church. (Adopted, see p. 867)

2. The twenty-four synods which co-operated during the 1948-50 biennium be commended for striving diligently during that time to meet the objective adopted by the 1948 convention (p. 694—1948 *Minutes*) namely:

> That the U.L.C.A. make the promotion of the circulation of *The Lutheran*, to reach every home, a major objective of the 1948-50 biennium; and that it ask and urge co-operation toward attaining this objective on the part of each synod, board, and auxiliary of the Church by every means at its disposal. (Adopted, see p. 867)

3. The United Lutheran Church commend through the adoption of this resolution the pastors and congregations who have placed *The Lutheran* in every home represented in their communicant membership. (Adopted, see p. 867)

4. The Board of Publication be instructed to seek vigorously to increase the number of congregations which will place *The Lutheran* in every home each year through the congregational budget or under the sponsorship of organizations or individuals and that to this same end all of the synods of the United Lutheran Church be urged to co-operate fully by maintaining or establishing where necessary committees on the circulation of *The Lutheran*. (Adopted, see p. 867)

5. During the 1950-52 biennium the Circulation Manager of *The Lutheran* be permitted, when invited to do so by the presiding officer of a constituent synod of the United Lutheran Church, to report at synodical conventions on the progress of the circulation campaign. (Adopted, see p. 867)

HIRAM H. KELLER, *President*
LLOYD M. KELLER, *Secretary*

EXHIBIT "A"

## THE BOARD OF PUBLICATION

### Balance Sheets

*June 30, 1950 and June 30, 1949*

| *Assets* | June 30, 1950 | | June 30, 1949 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Current Assets:* | | | | |
| Cash in banks and on hand | | $ 305,921.77 | | $ 217,956.53 |
| Accounts receivable—trade | $ 300,622.22 | | $ 331,607.07 | |
| Less: Reserve for doubtful accounts | 18,805.20 | | 19,134.59 | |
| Accounts receivable — trade—net | | 281,817.02 | | 312,472.48 |
| Inventories of books, publications, other merchandise and supplies | | 576,906.30 | | 559,991.04 |
| Total current assets | | $ 1,164,645.09 | | $ 1,090.420.05 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Fixed Assets:* |  |  |  |  |
| Land | $ 190,986.59 |  | $ 205,986.59 |  |
| Buildings | 636,487.93 |  | 663,968.61 |  |
| Machinery and equipment | 441,324.00 |  | 438,235.70 |  |
| Total fixed assets |  | 1,268,798.52 |  | 1,308,190.90 |
| *Other Assets and Prepayments:* |  |  |  |  |
| Prepaid expenses | $ 30,192.45 |  | $ 29,856.58 |  |
| Advances to employees | 4,777.50 |  | 3,605.00 |  |
| Accrued interest receivable | 1,495.90 |  | 1,572.95 |  |
| Advances for film productions | 9,689.63 |  | 3,658.77 |  |
| Total other assets and prepayments |  | 46,155.48 |  | 38,693.30 |
| *Reserve Fund Assets:* |  |  |  |  |
| Investments — market value | $ 117,157.39 |  | $ 85,682.50 |  |
| Investments pledged to secure bank loan—market value | 108,613.13 |  | 139,515.61 |  |
| Land, building and equipment, 2600 North Broad Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania | 206,688.76 |  | 205,415.90 |  |
| Total reserve fund assets |  | 432,459.28 |  | 430,614.01 |
| *Permanent Fund Assets:* |  |  |  |  |
| Cash | $ 8,074.43 |  | $ 8,053.74 |  |
| Investments, market value | 1,905.44 |  | 1,799.44 |  |
| Total permanent fund assets |  | 9,979.87 |  | 9,853.18 |
| Total assets |  | $2,922,038.24 |  | $2,877,771.44 |

### *Liabilities, Capital and Funds*

|  |  |  |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Current Liabilities:* |  |  |  |  |
| Notes payable—bank | $ 75,000.00 |  | $ 125,000.00 |  |
| Notes payable — Wartburg and Midwest Synod | 5,000.00 |  | 5,000.00 |  |
| Accounts payable — trade | 88,622.96 |  | 104,169.51 |  |
| Accrued royalties | 8,268.73 |  | 8,364.74 |  |
| Accrued interest | 919.78 |  | 929.25 |  |
| Accrued payroll | 1,113.46 |  | 7,771.44 |  |
| Employees withholding taxes | 5,856.75 |  | 4,053.50 |  |
| Total current liabilities |  | $184,781.68 |  | $ 255,288.44 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Long Term Liabilities:* | | | | |
| Notes payable — Wartburg and Midwest Synod | | .... | | 5,000.00 |
| *Deferred Income:* | | | | |
| Unearned subscriptions: | | | | |
| "The Lutheran" | $ 89,707.35 | | $ 69,186.19 | |
| Other publications | 67,148.28 | | 68,696.80 | |
| Total deferred income | | 156,855.63 | | 137,882.99 |
| *Reserves:* | | | | |
| For depreciation of buildings, machinery and equipment | $ 799,518.66 | | $ 801,172.62 | |
| For retirement pensions | 120,485.34 | | 108,133.14 | |
| For "The Lutheran" promotion | 4,245.33 | | 7,500.00 | |
| For promotional expenses | 16,180.66 | | 9,340.76 | |
| For purchase of new equipment | 10,000.00 | | 10,000.00 | |
| Total reserves | | 950,429.99 | | 936,146.52 |
| *Capital and Surplus:* | | 1,619,991.07 | | 1,533,600.31 |
| *Permanent Funds:* | | | | |
| John Rung Legacy | $ 3,000.00 | | $ 3,000.00 | |
| David Beidle Bequest | 200.00 | | 200.00 | |
| Surplus | 6,779.87 | | 6,653.18 | |
| Total permanent funds | | 9,979.87 | | 9,853.18 |
| Total liabilities, capital and funds | | $2,922,038.24 | | $2,877,771.44 |

EXHIBIT "B"

## Statement of Profit and Loss

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Net Sales:* | | $1,944,139.22 | | $1,898,758.72 |
| *Cost of Sales:* | | | | |
| Raw materials | $ 300,069.46 | | $ 303,881.44 | |
| Labor | 253,317.43 | | 243,025.15 | |
| Expenses | 76,909.53 | | 60,787.02 | |
| Provision for depreciation | 16,981.89 | | 17,150.54 | |
| Cost of printing production | $ 647,278.31 | | $ 624,844.15 | |
| Cost of resale and finished merchandise | 605,311.59 | | 610,839.19 | |
| | $1,252,589.90 | | $1,235,683.34 | |
| Less: Discounts earned and special credits | 57,349.03 | | 53,657.61 | |
| Cost of sales | | 1,195,240.87 | | 1,182,025.73 |
| Gross profit | | $ 748,898.35 | | $ 716,732.99 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Expenses:* |  |  |  |  |
| Shipping and delivery expenses | $ 78,403.14 |  | $ 81,451.17 |  |
| Editorial expenses | 71,815.11 |  | 65,694.28 |  |
| Salaries: |  |  |  |  |
| Executive, department heads, clerical and stenographic | 262,235.60 |  | 232,848.53 |  |
| Office and showroom rent | 44,285.10 |  | 42,415.06 |  |
| Advertising | 41,521.25 |  | 30,949.70 |  |
| Stationery and office supplies | 13,510.97 |  | 18,914.01 |  |
| Depreciation—furniture and fixtures | 5,907.64 |  | 5,184.93 |  |
| Traveling expenses | 2,906.24 |  | 3,404.01 |  |
| Auditing and legal fees | 4,000.67 |  | 4,497.10 |  |
| Other expenses | 118,920.66 |  | 97,415.78 |  |
| Total expenses |  | 643,506.38 |  | 582,774.57 |
|  |  | $ 105,391.97 |  | $ 133,958.42 |
| *Other Income:* |  | 366,95 |  | 3,382.39 |
| Net profit before building operations |  | $ 105,758.92 |  | $ 137,340.81 |
| *Profit or (Loss) from Building Operations:* |  | (1,774.86) |  | 1,018.18 |
| Surplus for year before appropriations |  | $ 103,984.06 |  | $ 138,358.99 |
| *Appropriations:* |  |  |  |  |
| Parish and Church School Board | $ 21,086.94 |  | $ 19,408.16 |  |
| United Lutheran Church in America | 16,000.00 |  | .... |  |
| Provision for promotional expense | 15,597.61 |  | 20,753.85 |  |
| International council of religious education | 2,059.30 |  | 2,049.30 |  |
| Other appropriations for church activities | 1,604.02 |  | 460.70 |  |
| Provision for equipment replacement | .... |  | 10,000.00 |  |
| Total appropriations |  | 56,347.87 |  | 52,672.01 |
| Transferred to capital and surplus—(Exhibit "C") |  | $ 47,636.19 |  | $ 85,686.98 |

EXHIBIT "C"

## Statement of Capital and Surplus

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

|  |  |  |
|---|---|---|
| Balance, July 1, 1949 |  | $1,533,600.31 |
| *Additions:* |  |  |
| Adjustment of insurance applicable to year ended June 30, 1949 | $ 2,924.32 |  |
| Surplus for year ended June 30, 1950 after special appropriations—(Exhibit "B") | 47,636.19 |  |

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Brackets ( ) denote red figures

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|---|---|---|
| Profit on sale of Columbia Building | 35,794.02 | |
| Net profit on sale of equipment | 1,034.20 | |
| Net profit on sale of securities | 843.89 | |
| Total additions | | 88,232.62 |
| | | $1,621,832.93 |
| *Deductions:* | | |
| Adjustment to market value of reserve fund securities as of June 30, 1950 | $ 423.84 | |
| Sundry adjustments applicable to year ended June 30, 1949 | 1,418.02 | |
| Total deductions | | 1,841.86 |
| Balance, June 30, 1950 | | $1,619,991.07 |
| Balance, July 1, 1948 | | $1,447,595.03 |
| Excess of investment in Lutheran Literary Board by The Board of Publication of The United Lutheran Church in America at date of acquisition over net assets | $ 5,173.99 | |
| Net profit of Lutheran Literary Board for the period September 1, 1947 (date of acquisition) to June 30, 1948 | 4,329.30 | |
| | | 844.69 |
| Adjusted balance, July 1, 1948 | | $1,446,750.34 |
| *Additions:* | | |
| Surplus for year ended June 30, 1949, after special appropriations—(Exhibit "B") | $ 85,686.98 | |
| Adjustment of insurance applicable to year ended June 30, 1948 | 1,716.16 | |
| Adjustment of investment in Religious Film Association to reflect prior years' advances and undistributed profits | 2,658.77 | |
| Total additions | | 90,061.91 |
| | | $1,536,812.25 |
| *Deductions:* | | |
| Adjustment to market value of reserve fund securities as of June 30, 1949 | $ 1,670.14 | |
| Sundry adjustments applicable to year ended June 30, 1948 | 1,541.80 | |
| Total deductions | | 3,211.94 |
| Balance, June 30, 1949 | | $1,533,600.31 |

## Reserve Fund Securities

*June 30, 1950*

| Par Value | BONDS | Interest Rate | Maturity Date | Book Value | Market Value |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| $ 8,000. | American Tobacco Company | 3% | 4/15/62 | $ 8,270.00 | $ 8,150.00 |
| 10,000. | New York Central and Hudson River Railroad, Lake Shore Collateral | 3½% | 2/1/98 | 5,275.00 | 5,212.50 |
| 10,000. | New York Power and Light Corporation | 2¾% | 3/1/75 | 9,987.50 | 10,125.00 |
| 6,000. | *Pennsylvania Railroad Company, General Mortgage, Series "F" | 3⅛% | 1/1/85 | 4,620.00 | 4,620.00 |
| 10,000. | Reading Company, First and Refunding Mortgage "D" | 3⅛% | 5/1/95 | 8,525.00 | 8,500.00 |
| 10,000. | *United States Treasury | 2½% | 6/15/69-64 | 10,271.87 | 10,215.63 |
| 10,000. | *United States Treasury | 2½% | 6/15/69-64 | 10,271.87 | 10,215.63 |
| 30,000. | United States Savings Bonds, Series "G" | 2½% | 12/1/56 | 28,410.00 | 28,560.00** |
| 40,000. | United States Savings Bonds, Series "G" | 2½% | 1/1/57 | 37,960.00 | 38,200.00** |
| 25. | United States Savings Bonds, Series "F" | 2½% | 9/1/55 | 21.25 | 21.75** |
| 20,000. | *United States Treasury | 2½% | 6/15/69-64 | 20,543.75 | 20,431.25 |
| 2,000. | *United States Treasury | 2½% | 6/15/69-64 | 2,054.37 | 2,043.13 |
| 12,000. | *United States Treasury | 2½% | 6/15/69-64 | 12,405.00 | 12,258.75 |
| 6,000. | United States Treasury | 2½% | 6/15/69-64 | 6,172.50 | 6,129.38 |
| 60,000. | *United States Treasury | 2½% | 9/15/70-65 | 61,406.25 | 61,087.50 |
| | | | | $226,194.36 | $225,770.52 |

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* Held by Fidelity-Philadelphia Trust Company, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as collateral for $75,000.00 bank loan.
**Redemption value.

## Editorial and Executive Salaries

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 |
|---|---|---|
| Treasurer: | | |
| E. P. Hoeppner (May 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | $ 6,033.36 | $ 950.00 |
| Mrs. M. A. Roberts (July 1, 1948 to April 30, 1949) | .... | 6,750.00 |
| Executive Secretary and Business Manager: | | |
| H. Torrey Walker | 11,666.68 | 11,000.00 |
| Administrative Secretary: | | |
| F. G. Rhody | 6,033.36 | 5,700.00 |
| Editor "The Lutheran": | | |
| Rev. G. Elson Ruff, Litt. D. | 7,249.92 | 6,999.96 |

## Accountant's Certificate

The Board of Publication
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

We have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Board of Publication of The United Lutheran Church in America for the years ended June 30, 1950 and June 30, 1949. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying balance sheets and statements of profit and loss and capital and surplus present fairly the financial position of the Board at June 30, 1950 and June 30, 1949, and the results of its operations for the years then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding biennium.

TAIT, WELLER & BAKER
*Certified Public Accountants*

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
August 11, 1950

Judge Keller outlined the presentation which was planned by his Board and introduced the following Board members:

Dr. Walter C. Langsam, who described the book publication program of the Board, and urged the delegates to assist the Board in finding and interesting able writers;

Mr. Fred W. Konemann, who described the developments which have taken place since 1942 in the program for the establishment of branches in cities where the branches can serve a large ULCA constituency, or can be a rallying point in a developing area;

Mr. August H. Rahn, who reviewed the gratifying results which have been secured through the synodical plan for the promotion of circulation of *The Lutheran.* In connection with his comments, Mr. Rahn introduced the Rev. Paul L. Graf, pastor of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Minneapolis, Minnesota, who gave enthusiastic testimony to the value of placing *The Lutheran* in the budget of the local congregation, thus securing congregation-wide circulation.

The Rev. C. C. Rasmussen, who gave testimony to the spiritual nature of the Board's work and asked the convention to view the report of the Board of Publication in the same light in which it views other causes of the Church "which bear on their faces their spiritual characteristics." "We deal," said Dr. Rasmussen, "with machines, merchandise, money and markets, but when these tangibles are dedicated to the work of the Lord they assume a spiritual meaning. . . . Where there is a well-informed laity there is a growing response in gifts and in service."

Judge Keller presented Dr. H. Torrey Walker, executive secretary, and expressed the Board's and the Church's appreciation of the able and diligent manner in which he administers the affairs of the Board.

Dr. Walker presented the recommendations of the board pp. 859-860.

Recommendation 1 adopted

Recommendation 2 adopted

Recommendation 3 adopted

Recommendation 4 adopted

Recommendation 5 adopted

On motion by Dr. Walker the report of the auditor (p. 866) was adopted.

The Chair called for questions and germane motions. Mr. Henry G. Pfeil asked if any provision had been made to solve the problem of congregations whose *Common Service Books* are worn out, and who do not think themselves warranted in purchasing a new supply of Service Books when the proposed joint Service Book will likely be available within four years. Two solutions were suggested: the purchase of the most inexpensive edition of the *Common Service Book;* the rebinding of the worn copies.

The president called for the report of the ULCA representative on the Advisory Council of the American Bible Society, the Rev. Harold S. Miller.

## REPORT OF REPRESENTATIVE TO THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

The major work of the American Bible Society is done wherever the man without the Scriptures is met by the man with the Scriptures. That contact, and making it widespread, is the sole reason for the Society's existence.

In statistical form, our Scripture distribution in 1949 including Bibles, Testaments and Portions, is as follows:

| | | |
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| In the United States | 4,727,626 | volumes |
| In foreign fields | 3,733,428 | " |
| Through the Emergency Fund | 554,120 | " |
| Total | 9,015,174 | |

To which must be added Scriptures produced

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| abroad from materials<br>furnished (estimated) | 3,000,000 |

### Mexico

In Mexico, where there are fifty-one distinct Indian tribes and where missionaries are working on the translation of the Scriptures in many of the tongues, the literacy campaign now in process in the country produced during the year an estimated 400,000 new readers. When the Mexican literate has finished with his primer, the Scriptures will be available for him in many cases, no matter which of the many tongues he speaks.

### Brazil

In Brazil the evangelical movement continues to surge forward. Said Bishop Dacorso of the Methodist Church: "The work in Sao Paulo is growing in such a way that all you have to do is put a sign over the door of a building indicating that it is an evangelical church, open the door, and then jump back before being trampled." While, of course, he said this jestingly, it highlights the solid fact of rapidly growing church-membership rolls. The distribution of whole Bibles passed the 100,000 mark, that of New Testaments the 90,000 mark, while that of Gospel portions once again passed the 1,000,000 mark.

### Japan

To Japan at the moment all Christian eyes are turned. We consider the opportunity in Japan one of the prime opportunities in the Bible Society world today. The whole effect of the defeat in the war, the renunciation of divinity by the Emperor, the economic uncertainty, and the generally decent and even considerate character of the Occupation all serve to open the Japanese mind on a wide scale to something that can provide a better basis for national and personal life than the foundations of the past. This is the opportunity for Christianity and for the Bible. The Church is, on the whole, not equipped to exercise a very great and intensive evangelistic impact upon the millions of Japanese people, but it is possible for the Scriptures to exercise such an impact if they can be gotten into their hands.

During the four years after the war, we distributed approximately 4,000,000 Scriptures with and through the Japan Bible Society. The reports seem to indicate that these have been widely circulated and people are often seen in trains and tram cars reading the New Testaments. The program upon which we are working calls for an effort to distribute 3,000,000 in 1950 and 5,000,000 in 1951. General MacArthur has urged that we continue our effort until we distribute at least 30,000,000 copies.

### China

To reduce this country, with its teeming millions, its vast area, and its rapidly changing political complexion, to thumbnail proportions is not possible. Suffice it to say for our present purposes that at the moment in this land "the Word of God is not bound." Bibles are still being printed and distributed widely in this land. How long our freedom to continue our work here under the new political regime will be permitted is something one would hardly dare prophesy. But we must confidently believe that of the millions of copies printed and circulated many will escape destruction and continue to be read and lived by Chinese Christians. And certainly the Word of God in the hearts of Christian converts will survive the rigors of the present political and cultural upheavals.

### Korea

Publication of Korean Scriptures was inaugurated in the United States in 1945. Since that time the Society has published 260,236 New Testaments and 249,514 Gospels most of which have been sent to Korea. Meanwhile there was need in Korea for the setting of the type of their Bible in the new system of spelling recently adopted in that country. This is being done, and publication of the Gospels in this new form began in Korea during the year. A supply of binding cloth for use in the publishing program in Korea was also forwarded during the year.

### Work In the United States

In the homeland the distribution was one of the largest in the Society's history—a total of 4,727,626 volumes.

To make the figures live, one must see a great company of consecrated men and women, with Christ in their hearts and the Scriptures in their hands, seeking out lonely and forgotten people—migrants, miners, ranchmen, prisoners, patients, orphans, the aged, immigrants, displaced persons; victims of fire, flood, tornado and other disasters. Wherever in our great land people like these are found, thither, with a deep sense of responsibility, go the faithful distributors of the Book that brings restoration to the weary and bewildered soul.

### For Service Men

The Society continued its century-old service to the nation's men in uniform. During the year, upon definite requests from chaplains, it supplied free of charge 48,221 whole Bibles, 94,310 Testaments and 213,733 Gospels and other Portions—a total of 356,264 volumes at an expense of over $65,000. The American Bible Society will continue to meet the demand so long as the churches and the people of America supply the funds.

### Expanding Work for the Blind

Another feature of the Society's work which calls for special comment was the notable advance in its work for the blind. The year 1949 was the 115th of this ministry. In these 115 years 242,974 embossed volumes and Talking Book records were distributed—179,041 of the volumes for fingertip reading and 63,933 records for those who cannot read with their fingers.

The figure for 1949 was 18,811 volumes, exceeding the figure for 1948, which itself established a record by almost 14 per cent. Included in the year's total were 10,375 Talking Book records.

### Who Supports the Work

The Society is supported mainly by gifts from living persons; some giving through their churches and some sending in personal individual gifts, and many, no doubt, giving both ways.

The ideal way for the Society to receive its support is through church gifts, but thus far the churches have not established or maintained a sufficiently high level of giving to justify the Society's relying chiefly on the churches. The desire of persons to give directly to this cause and their response to mail appeals have made it desirable as well as necessary to seek personal gifts in order to meet the great ever-increasing, worldwide demand for the Scriptures.

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|---|---|
| In 1949 the churches of America gave the Society | $782,109 |
| Individual gifts in 1949 were | 814,030 |
| From investments, legacies, annuities | 534,000 |

It will be seen that the bulk of the Society's financial support comes from living sources.

In 1946 the Advisory Council of the American Bible Society, constituted of the official members of the supporting denominations, set certain goals for denominational giving. These goals were based on the benevolence giving of the various denominations to their own denomination causes. The Council asked for a total annual giving to the American Bible Society, for its regular work, of $1,123,710, as a reasonable expectation. The amount set as a goal for The United Lutheran Church in America is $25,000. annually.

Respectfully submitted,

Harold S. Miller, *U.L.C.A.*
*Representative on the*
*Advisory Council of the*
*American Bible Society*

Dr. Miller expressed his satisfaction in the increasingly generous contribution which Lutherans in general and the ULCA in particular are making to the work of this important agency.

Dr. Miller introduced the Rev. James V. Claypool, a member of the staff of the American Bible Society. After describing the vastness of the assignment of the American Bible Society in the postwar years, particularly in Japan and Latin America, he concluded with the affirmation, "People do not become Christian without the Bible, people do not stay Christian without the Bible."

The president called for the Report of the Committee on Army and Navy Work and introduced the Rev. Clarence E. Krumbholz, secretary, for the presentation of the report.

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ARMY AND NAVY WORK

*(For actions, see p. 872 of these Minutes)*

Your Committee is thankful to the Great Head of the Church that in our service to the Church in the past biennium we have been able to render some small service to Him.

The chief responsibility of the Committee continues to be to pass upon the applications for ecclesiastical endorsement of pastors who seek appointment as chaplains in the Armed Services, in the Veterans' Administration, and in the National Guard.

Since July 1, 1948, 167 applications were received for consideration, of these 165 were approved as follows:

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|---|---|
| U.S. Army, Extended Active Duty | 37 |
| U.S. Army, Auxiliary Chaplain | 1 |
| U.S. Army, Reserve | 95 |
| U.S. Army, Reserve Inactive | 2 |
| U.S. Navy, Reserve | 2 |
| U.S. Air Force, Reserve | 1 |
| National Guard | 17 |
| V.A. Full Time | 6 |
| V.A. Part Time | 2 |

In the previous biennium 183 applications were received for the action of the Committee.

One endorsement was withdrawn during the biennium.

Your Committee records with regret the death of the Rev. Paul J. Slavik, Chaplain of the 33rd Infantry Division, who died January 14, 1950.

At the present time the number of chaplains from all National Lutheran Council bodies with the Armed Services is as follows:

*Army*

| | |
|---|---|
| Regular | 8 |
| Reserves on E.A.D. | 30 |
| O.R.C. | 189 |
| National Guard | 25 |

*Navy*

| | |
|---|---|
| Regular | 36 |
| Reserves on E.A.D. | 3 |
| O.R.C. (not active) | 183 |

*Air Force*

| | |
|---|---|
| Regular | 7 |
| Reserves on E.A.D. | 12 |
| O.R.C. (not active) | 30 |
| National Guard | 1 |

The following are U.L.C.A. chaplains:

*Army*

| | |
|---|---|
| Regular | 7 |
| Reserves on E.A.D. | 25 |
| O.R.C. (active) | 77 |
| O.R.C. (inactive) | 8 |
| Honorary Reserve | 3 |
| National Guard | 15 |

*Navy*

| | |
|---|---|
| Regular | 26 |
| Reserves on E.A.D. | 3 |
| Reserves O.R.C. (active) | 90 |

*Air Force*

| | |
|---|---|
| Regular | 6 |
| Reserves on E.A.D. | 4 |
| Reserves O.R.C. (Active) | 15 |
| National Guard | 1 |

As of July 1, 1950 the number of chaplains from all National Lutheran Council bodies and the Missouri Synod in the Veterans' Administration is as follows:

| | *Full-time* | *Part-time* | *Total* |
|---|---|---|---|
| American Lutheran Church.. | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Evangelical Lutheran Church | 4 | 1 | 5 |
| Augustana Lutheran Church | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| United Evangelical Lutheran | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| United Lutheran Church........ | 6 | 4 | 10 |
| Missouri Lutheran Synod...... | 8 | 6 | 14 |
| | 23 | 13 | 36 |

There are vacancies in both the Army and the Air Forces in the Reserves and in the National Guard for chaplains who can be appointed as First Lieutenant. Candidates must not have reached their 33rd birthday.

At the present time there are no U.L.C.A. pastors in full-time chaplaincy with the Canadian Armed Services. The Rev. Walter Goos of the Canadian Synod is on the Navy Reserve list. The Rev. Mr. Merklinger of the Missouri Synod holds a full-time commission in the Army.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

Your committee respectfully submits the following recommendations:

I. (*a*) In the light of the present emergency, the chaplain of the convention and the pastors and people of our entire Church be requested to offer special prayers for our leaders, both civil and military, that through them God's will may be done, that wisdom and guidance may be granted to the United Nations, that peace and concord may be brought about among all nations, and that the officers and men of the Armed Services may find courage and comfort in their God and Saviour.

(*b*) That the chaplains serving in this time of trouble be particularly blessed in all that they do in His Name. (Adopted, see p. 872)

II. That the Church request constituent synods to urge such pastors who can qualify for service to apply for appointment as chaplains in order that the Church may fill its quota. (Amended, see p. 872)

Respectfully submitted,
Robert H. Gearhart, Jr.,
(*Chairman, Ex. Com.*)
Clarence E. Krumbholz,
(*Secretary, Ex. Com.*)
R. E. Lee (*Ex. Com.*)
Charles D. Trexler (*Ex. Com.*)
Edmund F. Wagner (*Ex. Com.*)
John F. Fedders
Melvin S. Lang
Earl K. Rodgers
Karl F. Schofer

Dr. Krumbholz expressed the committee's gratification over the fact that in the three branches of the armed forces the ministry of the chaplain is less and less encumbered with non-spiritual services and he is increasingly free to discharge his primary functions.

The Committee by unanimous consent of the convention was given permission to bring its statistical report up to date in the following particulars:

Since July 1, 1948, 191 applications were received for consideration. Of these 189 were approved as follows:

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|---|---|
| U.S. Army, Extended Activity Duty | 41* |
| U.S. Army, Auxiliary Chaplain | 1 |
| U.S. Army, Reserve | 96* |
| U.S. Army, Reserve Inactive | 2 |
| U.S. Navy, Active Duty | 11* |
| U.S. Navy, Reserve | 5* |
| U.S. Air Force, Reserve | 3* |
| U.S. Air Force, Active Duty | 1* |
| National Guard | 19* |
| V.A. Full Time | 8 |
| V.A. Part Time | 2 |

Two endorsements were withdrawn during the biennium.

* Figures changed.

Dr. Krumbholz introduced Chaplain (Colonel) Luther W. Evans, who stressed the serious need for additional chaplains to meet the demands of the rapidly expanding military establishment.

Chaplain (Captain) Luther F. Gerhart was presented to the convention by Dr. Krumbholz. Chaplain Gerhart made clear that the opportunity to deal intimately with moral and spiritual problems of officers and enlisted men is a source of continuing satisfaction to the Navy chaplain.

The Air Force was represented by Chaplain (Lt. Colonel) Palmer P. Pierce, who told the convention that there are now 513 chaplains serving with the air force. By January 1, 1951 the prospect is that there will be 713. Of the number now in service 6.48 per cent are Lutheran; 4.24 per cent are chaplains from churches participating in the National Lutheran Council.

Dr. Krumbholz presented and the convention greeted with applause, a company of military and Veterans Administration chaplains, who were delegates and visitors to the convention.

Dr. Krumbholz presented recommendation I, a. and b. (p. 871).

The recommendation was adopted.

Dr. Krumbholz presented recommendation II. Before presenting this recommendation to the convention, the Committee on Army and Navy Work amended it by substituting "the constituent synods" for the words "synodical officials."

Recommendation number II, amended as indicated immediately above, was adopted.

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Consideration of items from the Report of the Executive Board was resumed.

The president recognized Dr. Virgil B. Sease for the presentation of the item concerning the extension of "Special Pensions" and added grants IV, 1, pp. 171-173.

Dr. Henry Beisler moved the adoption of the resolution, p. 172.

Mr. Carl Schultz presented the following amendment to Paragraph A. 1 of the resolution. (Correction, see p. 920)

> "Strike the words 'who was on the pension roll prior to November 1, 1947,' and substitute therefor, 'now on the pension roll.' "

The motion to amend was seconded.

Mr. Alfred W. Kiefer presented the following motion:

> "Moved that further consideration of this item be postponed until after the report of the Board of Pensions and Relief."

The motion was adopted.

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The president recognized the Hon. James F. Henninger, for the presentation of the "Linguistic Policy of the ULCA in Relations to New Missions" V, A, 2, pp. 187-189.

Judge Henninger moved the adoption of the following recommendation:

> "That The United Lutheran Church in America adopt the following general principles and specific procedures concerning the establishment of new missions by linguistic synods." (a) and (b) pp. 188-189, and items 1 and 2 and 4, p. 188, and item (3), p. 189.

The motion to adopt was seconded.

The Rev. E. Ray Morack presented the following motion:

> "Moved that in view of the expectation that this matter will be referred to the Commission of Adjudication for a ruling determining the constitutionality of this proposal, that action on this motion be deferred until the next convention."

The motion was adopted.

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Mr. Erwin H. List presented the item concerning a Possible Restudy of Responsibility for Producing and Distributing Audio-Visual Aids VI, C, vll 11, p. 290.

After reviewing briefly the history of the Executive Board's proposal, Mr. List presented the following recommendation:

> "It is moved that this convention authorize the Executive Board, in consultation with representatives of the Board of Publication and other interested boards, agencies, and auxiliaries, to undertake a restudy of the field of Production and Distribution of Audio-Visual materials."

The recommendation was adopted.

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The Rev. J. J. Scherer, Jr., moved the adoption of the following By-law amendment concerning a Committee on Radio and Television VI, C, xi, 7, p. 301.

> "That the ULCA By-laws, Section VI, (b) Standing Committees, Item 1, be amended by adding, 'h. Committee on Radio and Television.' "

The motion was adopted by the necessary two-thirds majority.

Dr. Scherer moved the following:

> "That the convention express its appreciation to Mr. S. Frederick Telleen and Mr. Henry Beisler for the splendid work done by them as the volunteer committee of laymen on radio."

The motion was adopted. The adoption of the motion was accompanied by applause.

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The Rev. Henry H. Bagger presented the item concerning the Executive Board being given power, under certain circumstances, to concur in or object to applications for membership in the World Council of Churches. VIII, C, 1, p. 427.

Dr. Bagger moved the adoption of the following principle:

> "Inasmuch as the second article of the constitution of the World Council of Churches specifies that 'any application for membership between meetings of the Assembly may be considered by the Central Committee; if the application is supported by a two-thirds majority of the members of the committee present and voting, this action shall be communicated to the churches that are members of the World Council of Churches, and unless objection is received from more than one-third of the member churches within six months the applicant shall be declared elected' the United Lutheran Church empower its Executive Board to concur in or object to such applications for membership on its behalf if a regular convention of the Church will not be held within six months after the meeting of the Central Committee of the World Council of Churches which submits them."

The motion was adopted.

In this same connection Dr. Bagger gave notice of the applications of the following churches for membership in the World Council of Churches, and moved that the ULCA concur in their being approved for membership. VIII, C, 9, p. 438.

The Methodist Church of Ceylon
The Synod of the Evangelical Church of North Iran (Presbyterian)
The Church of Central Java (Presbyterian)
The Federacao Sinodal of Brazil (Lutheran)

The motion was adopted.

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The Rev. Henry H. Bagger presented the item concerning fuller information on nominees of boards and agencies (IX, 14, pp. 554, 555).

Dr. Bagger presented the following resolution:

> "Resolved that the By-laws of the United Lutheran Church be amended by adding to Section V, (c), item 8 the words, 'The ballots shall contain the address, occupation, and synod of each nominee, together with an indication whether the name has been presented to the Nominating Committee by the Elective Agency.' "

The president declared that the hour of adjournment had arrived.

The Rev. Henry H. Bagger made a motion to extend the session thirty minutes.

The motion was adopted.

After discussion participated in by several delegates, the Rev. Vernon E. Kotter moved the previous question. The motion was adopted.

The president put to vote the amendment to the By-laws proposed by the Executive Board.

The motion was adopted by a standing vote of 280 to 128, which was the necessary two-thirds majority.

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The president declared the session adjourned, and the chaplain led the convention in a closing prayer.

The following program was presented under the auspices of the Board of Foreign Missions at KRNT Radio Theater on Monday evening, October 9, 1950.

## THE PROGRAM

### PART I

### OVERSEAS LEADERS TODAY

Organ Prelude
Processional Hymn: "Through the Night of Doubt and Sorrow"
Anthem
Recognition of Senior Missionaries
Greetings from the Fields

| | |
|---|---|
| Argentina | The Rev. Earl D. Guequierre |
| British Guiana | Mr. John A. Parkinsen |
| China | Miss Mary Ann Sung |
| India | Mr. B. I. Alexander |
| Japan | The Rev. Shiro Aoyama |
| Liberia | Mrs. Mae Keller |

Anthem
Organ Interlude

### PART II

### LEADERS AT HOME IN OVERSEAS WORK

Premiere showing of the motion picture
"Senior Partner"
A Production of The Board of Foreign Missions

### PART III

### TOMORROW'S LEADERS OVERSEAS

Hymn: "Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak" (Tune: Canonbury)

### THE ORDER FOR THE COMMISSIONING OF FOREIGN MISSIONARIES

The Lessons
The Calls from the Fields

| | |
|---|---|
| Japan | The Rev. Naohiko Ide |
| India | Mr. M. George Thomas |

The Call of the Board
The Presentation of the Missionaries

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|---|---|
| The Rev. and Mrs. Paul Parker Anspach, Jr. | Japan |
| Miss Esther Pearl Barnhart | Japan |
| Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Edward Burrall | India |
| Miss Elizabeth Caroline Huddle | Japan |

The Commissioning
Hymn: "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"
Benediction

*The Officiating Ministers*
The Rev. Dr. Abdel Ross Wentz
President, The Board of Foreign Missions
The Rev. Dr. Luther A. Gotwald
Executive Secretary, The Board of Foreign Missions

*Special Music by*
St. John's Lutheran Choir, Des Moines, Iowa
Mr. Kenneth Gfeller, Director
Mr. George Trissel, Organist

*Convention Organist*
Maestro Giuseppe Moschetti

### MISSIONARIES WHO HAVE SERVED MORE THAN THIRTY YEARS UNDER THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

*Retired*

Miss Annie E. Sanford, India, 1895-1939
Dr. S. C. Burger, India, 1898-1940
Dr. and Mrs. Victor McCauley, India, 1898-1949
Miss Emilie Weiskotten, India, 1900-1939
Dr. and Mrs. C. K. Lippard, Japan, 1900-1941
Dr. and Mrs. E. Neudoerffer, India, 1900-1949
Dr. and Mrs. Isaac Cannaday, India, 1902-1949
Mrs. Theodor Scholz, China, 1904-1949
Mrs. A. F. A. Neudoerffer, India, 1907-1947
Miss Jessie Thomas, India, 1908-1946
Miss Frieda Strecker, China, 1908-1948
Miss Betty Nilsson, M.D., India, 1908-1949
Miss Mary S. Borthwick, India, 1912-1949
Miss Louisa A. Miller, India, 1913-1948
Miss Charlotte Hollerbach, India, 1915-1946

*Active*

Dr. A. J. Stirewalt, Japan, 1906
Dr. and Mrs. L. S. G. Miller, Japan, 1907
Dr. and Mrs. J. Roy Strock, India, 1908
Dr. R. M. Dunkelberger, India, 1909
Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Finefrock, India, 1911
Miss Martha Akard, Japan, 1913
Dr. and Mrs. F. L. Coleman, India, 1914
Mrs. C. E. Buschman, Liberia, 1915
Miss Agnes C. Christenson, India, 1915
Miss Bertha Koenig, Liberia, 1916
Miss Maud Powlas, Japan, 1918
Miss Annie Powlas, Japan, 1919
Miss Barbara E. DeRemer, M.D., India, 1920
Miss Alice J. Nickel, India, 1920
Dr. H. H. Moyer, India, 1920
Dr. and Mrs. A. C. Knudten, Japan, 1920
Miss Elsie Otto, Liberia, 1920
Miss Mette K. Blair, India, 1920
Miss Lilith M. Schwab, India, 1920

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## SIXTH MEETING

### First Session

KRNT Radio Theater, Des Moines, Iowa
Tuesday, October 10, 1950, 8:45 A.M.

The chaplain conducted the devotions.

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Dr. James C. Kinard, chairman, presented the following report of the Committee of Reference and Counsel:

## COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AND COUNSEL

1. WHEREAS, The delegates to conventions have opportunity to inform themselves on the activities of boards and agencies through the reports in the preconvention bulletin;

We Recommend that the Executive Board be requested to study the advisability of reducing the time now customarily allotted for the presentation of reports in order to provide more time for the convention to discuss them and to consider recommendations.

2. That there be authorized the publication of the prayers and meditations of Chaplain Paul H. Roth and that a copy be sent to every pastor of The United Lutheran Church in America and to each lay delegate to this convention.

3. That immediately following this report, Chairman Alex Miller of the Des Moines Convention Committee be given five minutes to explain the historical significance of the official 1950 convention badge.

4. We Recommend:

That The United Lutheran Church in America in convention assembled emphatically reaffirm its belief in the absolute separation of Church and State and record its unalterable opposition to the establishment of any kind of diplomatic relations, or resemblance thereto, between the United States Government and the Vatican or any other religious group. (For action, see p. 920)

Recommendations 1, 2 and 3 were adopted.

By a two-thirds vote of the convention a Special Order was set for 11:50 A.M. this day for President Fry to address the convention concerning recommendation 4.

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Mr. Virgil W. Doub, chairman, presented the following report of the Committee on Conduct of Elections.

### EXECUTIVE BOARD

For the term expiring 1954, the Rev. Wynne C. Boliek received a majority of the votes cast.

The president declared him elected.

### COMMISSION OF ADJUDICATION

For the term expiring 1956, the Rev. Thomas D. Rinde received a majority of the votes cast.

The president declared him elected.

### BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

Each of the following received a majority of the votes cast for the term expiring 1956:

Rev. T. Benton Peery
Rev. John L. Yost, Sr.
Alvin Metzger

The president declared them elected.

One clergyman and one layman yet to be elected.

### BOARD OF AMERICAN MISSIONS AND WEST INDIES BOARD

For the term expiring 1956, the Rev. Frederick H. Ludwig received a majority of the votes cast.

The president declared him elected.

### BOARD OF SOCIAL MISSIONS

For the term expiring 1956, the Rev. Harold Haas received a majority of the votes cast.

The president declared him elected.

### BOARD OF PENSIONS AND RELIEF

For the term expiring 1956, Mr. Carl Schulz received a majority of the votes cast.

The president declared him elected.

### BOARD OF EDUCATION

For the term expiring 1956, Miss Helene Hartung received a majority of the votes cast.

The president declared her elected.

### BOARD OF PUBLICATION

Each of the following received a majority of the votes cast for the term expiring 1956:

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|---|---|
| Rev. Luther W. Strickler | Mr. Herbert W. Walker |

The president declared them elected. One clergyman yet to be elected.

### COMMITTEE ON CHURCH PAPERS

For the term expiring 1956, the Rev. Charles Leslie Venable received a majority of the votes cast.

The president declared him elected.

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF LAYMEN'S MOVEMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP

For the term expiring 1952, Mr. Frederick G. Erb received a majority of the votes cast.

The president declared him elected.

Mr. Doub gave instructions for the casting of ballot number three for members of elective boards and agencies.

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Attorney Alex M. Miller, lay chairman, Iowa Synod Convention Committee, in accordance with recommendation number 3 of the Committee of Reference and Counsel (p. 877), described the detail of the 1950 official convention badge, drawing special attention to the commemoration by the badge of the organization of the first Women's Missionary Society of a ULCA congregation in Tipton, Iowa, in 1875.

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The president recognized the Rev. Abdel Ross Wentz, president of the Board of Foreign Missions for the presentation of its report.

# REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

(*For action on the recommendations in this report, see pp. 918, 919*)

## Global Call

The voice of man across the world gives utterance to his own inability to find the object of the soul's desire. From those who quiver in fear of the spirits who threaten evil, from those whose legalistic religion has crumbled to meaningless anachronisms, from those in whom materialism has crowded out regard for spiritual life, there is the same reluctant, haltingly spoken admission of life unfulfilled and unsatisfied. Man everywhere has a need which only God can supply. The call of man for God is a global call.

In the Word of God, we are confronted with a global call. In the Scriptures, the message of the gospel is seen as a world message. Christ died for all. Jesus said: "Ye shall be my witnesses unto the uttermost parts of the earth."

### I. Spiritual Need

A missionary in Argentina relates his experience in establishing a new congregation in a strange city. He called on the people of a neighborhood, family by family, to tell them of his purpose. He was thrilled, he says, as the faces of many people lighted up when they heard from his lips, for the first time, the real meaning of the gospel. In British Guiana, a national pastor tells of his contest with the evils of drunkenness, vice, and impure living, and how, always, the gospel is upheld among the people by the preaching and teaching of pastors and other workers and by the example of those who are Christians within. Gradually the power of God's Word is making its cleansing way among the people. In Japan, the young people, alert to the era of great changes, have sensed the need for divine counsel. "I have chosen against the communists," said one of them, "because they are against God, and I believe my country should not be without God. Therefore, I will become a Christian."

Animism is the prevailing religion among the great masses of the common people in China, India, and Liberia. The simple confession of those who will confide in a spiritual teacher is summed up in the words: "God is evil. God will harm us. That is why we bargain with the spirits. Show us how we can be delivered from our fear." The deep spiritual need of people everywhere is a global call that speaks its message in words as clearly as those heard in the vision of the Apostle Paul, "Come and help us."

### II. Educational Opportunity

To establish the Church which shall be self-governing, self-propagating, and self-supporting is the goal of every truly conceived missionary enterprise. Education has ever been the strong ally of freedom, whether political or spiritual. Wherever missionaries have gone, they have established schools. Education is a worth-while gift which Christians should be willing to contribute for itself alone. But educated Christians become intelligent leaders who can read their Bibles, teach others, and become active in the organizing and governing of their own national church. Moreover, it is through education that people can be made aware of the darkness which has enveloped them and of the superstitions which have held them in bondage. The power of the witch doctor and the medicine man is on the wane as soon as blackboard and textbook are called into working partnership by the clang of the school bell, and become symbols of new visions and a new world.

Mission schools everywhere are prospering. In one country after another we have viewed their progress. Only 30 years ago our Mission in India still had to depend, in some remote villages, upon teachers who themselves had only five years of schooling. Today educated and trained teachers are the rule in all our schools in India. Kindergartens and high schools are the two spheres of our educational influence in Japan where we have a remarkable demonstration of the power exerted by Christian teaching for children who inevitably share all their school experiences in the home. Many of our Japanese Christians have finally entered the Church as a result of kindergarten work. In Liberia today, the people are passing through the stage in which village folk must still be convinced that education is a thing to be desired. Education of people who can be of use to our Lord in His work of building the kingdom of God is a global call to which we must respond with undiminished energy and devotion.

### III. Medical Care

Medical care as a global call continues to be high in the strategy of advancing the kingdom of our Lord. In Liberia, a healed man goes back to his village filled with a zeal to make his people Christian. It is because in the medical care which he has received and in the Christian teaching which he has heard while recuperating, he has seen a light and he has found a spirit which will not remain quietly within him. Both the light and the spirit must be shared with his own people. In India, besides six hospitals and a tuberculosis sanitarium, an additional small hospital has lifted the helpful banner of the Cross to proclaim to the hill people, still only partially civilized, the mercies offered to men in the name of Christ, the Divine Physician. The news has spread quickly among the hill people and a devoted Christian layman in the Middle West, whose donation created the new hospital, is enthusiastic over the way God has blessed His humble stewardship. Our first missionary nurse will go to Japan this fall and, in her service, we shall make a sorely needed contribution in the sphere of public health.

### IV. God's Workmen

There is a global call for God's workmen. There is currently a marked tendency to call more unordained missionaries. Men and women trained for specific occupations are commissioned to work in many capacities, and to demonstrate by their Christian lives, and their helpfulness to the people, the spirit of Christ our Master. Mission builders, men qualified in engineering, trained accountants, are among those who are now included in our missionary service. By their labors they will release evangelistic missionaries for planned evangelistic work, and in their labors they will also be evangelists themselves. The call for more unordained missionaries is a global call.

Rural reconstruction has been emphasized in recent years, and plans have been devised whereby service centers are set up in which missionaries with various skills contribute to the general life of the community. More and more the training of ordained missionaries along rural lines is attracting attention, as well it might, because most missionaries have to deal with people in a rural background. What better training could missionaries have than a preparation for meeting the rural man on his own grounds and with a sensitiveness to the rural man's needs and interest. With the confidence established through this mutual interest, the gospel message gets a more ready hearing and is met with a more ready response. "Send out more ordained missionaries," is a global call.

### V. Literacy Movement

When you have conveyed to any human being the magic ability to read from the printed page, you have won his complete confidence. He will listen to your message with keenest interest, for you have given him a new vision of life. It is this phenomenon that Dr. Frank Laubach mentions constantly in his description of stirring adventures which have marked his annual progress around the globe as the world apostle of literacy. Missionaries who have learned to teach adults to read by the quick methods of the Laubach system have an open door to the hearts and minds of the people whom they teach.

People who have learned to read will eagerly seize everything which they can find in print. Moreover, they will believe implicitly everything which they read. This is a challenge to the Christian Church everywhere to supply newly literate people with the best reading material possible. The global call today comes for missionaries who can be trained to produce reading material in simplest form for newly literate people so that they may have useful and wholesome material to read. Best of all is God's Word itself. In Liberia our missionaries are especially active in this kind of endeavor and several of them are producing reading materials in the two languages used in our areas of activity in that land. Teaching adults to read is both an opportunity and a responsibility which comes as a global call to the Church today.

### VI. OUR ANSWER TO THE GLOBAL CALL

The answer of the Church to the global call should be very clear. The Church must send out missionaries, ordained and unordained. They must be well prepared, for their message is the living Christ, who indeed taught the people and ministered to the lame, the blind, the sick, and the hungry, but who also gave himself on the cross and rose again to proclaim His victory over sin and death. Always it is the same clear message that we are impelled to give—the gospel call to life—new life, abundant life, eternal life. It is a simple message: "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved."

## Appreciation

### WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

An ever closer relationship is developing between the work of the Board of Foreign Missions and the activities of the Women's Missionary Society. Joint responsibility is recognized in interchurch projects and in our own missionary enterprise. The president of the Women's Missionary Society and members of its office staff attend meetings of the Board of Foreign Missions, representing their organization on the standing committees of the Board and taking their part in the board sessions. Most important of all is the presence of a woman secretary in the board office, whose salary is paid by the Women's Missionary Society and who handles all matters concerning missionaries on furlough, both men and women, in addition to managing correspondence with our mission organizations in China and Japan. The Board of Foreign Missions recognizes the devotion of the women of the Church as demonstrated in their missionary activities.

### CHILDREN OF THE CHURCH

Each year the Children of the Church plan a missionary project toward which accummulated offerings for the year are devoted. In 1949, at a meeting of the Children of the Church in Reading, Pennsylvania, the sum of $3,959.29 was given to the Board of Foreign Missions for children's work in China. In Chicago in 1950, the representative of the Board received $3,812.27, part of the $18,252 gathered by the children during the year. The sum devoted to Foreign Missions was sent to Japan for the building and furnishing of a kindergarten in Kamata.

### LUTHER LEAGUE

Missionary interest continues to be in evidence among the Luther Leaguers in the Church. Missionary topics, missionary articles in *The Review*, and missionary secretaries in local, synodical, and national organizations are manifestations of worldwide vision fostered by the young people of the Church. Various projects in our fields abroad are monuments to the devoted activity and generous spirit of the Luther Leaguers.

## Missionary Personnel

The six fields in which the United Lutheran Church is at work have continued to ask for new missionaries. Some replace those who, after giving many years of faithful service to the churches, have reached the age of retirement; others fill the growing needs of the churches as they expand and strengthen their work. During the biennium the Board has sent out 23 new missionaries, has transferred five from one field to another, received two from another board, given one to another board, loaned two to Lutheran World Federation, and has seven under appointment. One missionary and his wife returned from China because of the difficult situation there and were sent to Liberia; another missionary and his wife were transferred from India to Liberia; one single woman missionary went into the service of the Augustana Lutheran Church in Tanganyika. Two single women missionaries, formerly serving in China under the Augustana Lutheran Church, went to British Guiana and Japan to work in the fields of the United Lutheran Church.

During the past two years the following missionaries were called, appointed, and commissioned by the Board:

### NEW MISSIONARIES

Argentina: Rev. and Mrs. N. Earl Townsend.

British Guiana: Rev. Dr. and Mrs. G. Gordon Parker.

India: Rev. and Mrs. Donald P. Mosling (re-appointment); Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Burrall; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Moore.

Japan: Rev. and Mrs. Paul Parker Anspach, Jr.; Rev. and Mrs. Eugene H. Roth.

Liberia: Rev. and Mrs. Gordon O. Lindeman; Rev. and Mrs. Otto Spehr; Dr. and Mrs. Lowell C. Yund; Rev. Dr. and Mrs. L. W. Slifer (transferred from India); Rev. and Mrs. Harold Whetstone (transferred from China).

Upon the recommendation of the Executive Board of the Women's Missionary Society, the following women missionaries were called, appointed, and commissioned:

British Guiana: Miss Alice K. Anderson (Augustana Lutheran Church).

Japan: Miss Ethel Akins (Augustana Lutheran Church); Miss Esther P. Barnhart; Miss Elizabeth C. Huddle.

Liberia: Miss Maebelle Hosterman, R.N.; Miss Mae Rohlfs, R.N. (transferred from China).

The following missionaries have been called by the Board and will be commissioned when ready for departure to the fields:

Japan: Rev. Andrew B. Ellis; Rev. and Mrs. Alexander Meyer; Miss Marjorie M. Miller; Miss Dorothy J. Auxt, R.N.

Liberia: Miss Dorothea L. Greiner, R.N.; Miss Elizabeth Wiley, R.N.

Miss Hazel Biederbeck, R.N., was transferred from Liberia to serve under the Augustana Church Board of Foreign Missions in Tanganyika. Rev. H. D. Hammer and Rev. Dr. Ralph Sell are on special duty under Lutheran World Federation in Argentina and Europe, respectively.

### MISSIONARIES RETIRED

During the biennium eight missionaries, (including two wives), after giving many years of faithful and loyal service to the churches abroad, reached the age of retirement. They have laid good foundations upon which the younger missionaries and nationals can build. We give thanks for the service of these noble men and women. We pray that they may be richly blessed during the coming years.

China: Mrs. Theodor Scholz, July 1, 1950; Miss Frieda Strecker, Jan. 1, 1950; Miss Elvira Strunk, Oct. 1, 1949.

India: Miss Mary Borthwick, Oct. 1, 1948; Miss Clara Leaman, Oct. 1, 1950; Miss Louisa Miller, Jan. 1, 1950.

Liberia: Rev. Dr. and Mrs. H. H. Heilman, Aug. 1, 1948.

### MISSIONARIES RESIGNED

Larger than usual is the number of resignations sent to the Board during the biennium. The political situation in China has had an effect upon the work of the Church, causing missionaries to return home and enter other spheres of service; some women missionaries have been married; others, for various reasons, requested the Board to release them from service abroad. The list is as follows:

Argentina: Rev. and Mrs. William A. Dudde, June 21, 1950; Miss Virginia Hoover, July 15, 1949.

British Guiana: Rev. and Mrs. Wallace J. Wolff, Jan. 4, 1950.

China: Miss Evelyn Coovert, Dec. 1, 1948; Miss Kathleen Ragan, Jan. 1, 1950; Miss Lydia Reich, Jan. 1, 1950; Rev. and Mrs. Rodger Singer, May 1, 1949; Rev. and Mrs. Malcolm Shutters, May 22, 1949; Miss Catherine Stirewalt, Jan. 1, 1950; Miss Ielene Ufkes (Luther League Representative), Aug. 1, 1950.

India: Miss Mildred Ernst, Apr. 15, 1950; Miss Ruth Myers, Sept. 1, 1948; Rev. Dr. and Mrs. H. H. Sipes, Oct. 1, 1949.

### MISSIONARIES DECEASED

During the biennium several missionaries who spent many years of noble, valiant, and unselfish service on the fields were called to eternal life. We give thanks for the loving service of those who have been faithful in the high calling of the Church. In addition to missionaries, several others closely associated with the Board of Foreign Missions were called home. We include them in our tribute of thankful remembrance.

*The Rev. Theodor Robert Oscar Johannes Scholz*

The Rev. Theodor Robert Oscar Johannes Scholz, missionary to China for 46 years, died at Lankenau Hospital, Philadelphia, February 25, 1950. Pastor Scholz was in charge of various departments of our mission work in China. He and Mrs. Scholz suffered through the first and second world wars in China and came to America in 1949. Mr. Scholz was the last of the German men missionaries of the Berlin Society's Shantung Mission which, after 1925, became the mission of The United Lutheran Church in America. Through almost half a century he labored faithfully and courageously for the cause of Christ in China and saw the gradual growth of the church. We give thanks to God for the faithful and earnest labors of this devoted missionary.

*Mrs. Oscar V. Werner*

Mrs. Oscar V. Werner (nee Hilma Levine, R.N.) died November 29, 1949, after a missionary service of 34 years. A representative of the Augustana Lutheran Church, she went to India in 1915, where she established the Nurses' Training School in the Lutheran Hospital at Rajahmundry. She served at various times as nursing superintendent in all six of our mission hospitals in India. In May, 1945, she was married to the Rev. Oscar V. Werner and with him returned to India in 1948. Her outstanding characteristics were deep devotion, Christian humility, and a gentle spirit. We give thanks to our Lord for this excellent missionary who inspired confidence and love in the hearts of missionary and Indian colleagues.

*Mrs. J. M. T. Winther*

Mrs. J. M. T. Winther, wife of retired missionary, the Rev. Dr. J. M. T. Winther, passed away after a long illness at her home in Davenport, Iowa, July 18, 1949. She served with her husband in Japan from 1899 to 1941. She was always a sturdy, faithful Christian wife and mother, a notable witness to the faith of her fathers. Her husband, as a retired missionary, lives today in Japan.

*Mrs. Louis Gray*

Mrs. Louis Gray who, as Mary Lou Bowers, was one of our first single missionaries to go to Japan, died October 1, 1949. She began her service in that country in 1913. She was married there in 1922 to her missionary husband, Rev. Louis Gray. She is honored for her courage and faith in undertaking missionary service in the earliest days of our work in Japan, and we are thankful to God for the achievements of her life as a missionary.

*The Rev. Samuel Trexler, D.D.*

On the morning of May 30, 1949, the day after a service in Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, New York, in honor of the fiftieth anniversary of his ordination, the Rev. Dr. Samuel Trexler passed away quietly at the age of 71. He served as a member of the Board of Foreign Missions from 1934 to 1946 and, from 1940 to 1944, was president of the Board. We are earnestly thankful for this true servant of God in whose life the full stature of Christian manhood was fully exemplified. Honored by high office in the Church, he remained humble and friendly, and was ever the servant of the Master and the friend of man.

*The Rev. George A. Greiss, D.D.*

The Rev. Dr. George A. Greiss, beloved pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Allentown, Pennsylvania, where he served for many years, died March 20, 1950. He was a member of the Board of Foreign Missions from 1928 to 1940 and served as the President of the Board for the last two years of his membership. We are thankful for this servant of God, for his vision of the world need of the gospel, for his devotion to the work of the Church at home and abroad, for his strong evangelical faith, and for his fine Christian spirit.

*Mrs. Edwin Moll*

Mrs. Edwin Moll, wife of the Board's general secretary, the Rev. Dr. Edwin

Moll, passed away April 6, 1949, at her home in Madison, Wisconsin. Mrs. Moll was known to the office staff and to many Board members, all of whom held her in highest regard as a gracious lady, a fine Christian woman, and a devoted wife and mother. The Board records its earnest recognition of the good Christian witness of Mrs. Moll and its thanks to God for the beautiful life which she gave to the world.

### RECRUITING AND TRAINING OF MISSIONARIES

Calls from all our fields ask for more missionaries, both men and women, ordained and lay. These calls we must relay to young men and women, and even to older men and women, who have the desire and the qualifications to serve. We must present more and more missionary information and the challenge of the missionary calling on all the campuses of our colleges and seminaries. One missionary on furlough was especially assigned to this task during the winter of 1949-50, with encouraging results. Another staff secretary, or missionary on furlough, devoting considerable time to this important work, is part of the plans of the Board.

The majority of our men missionaries are ordained evangelistic missionaries, graduates from our Lutheran seminaries, or pastors with several years' experience here at home. However, during recent years, the requests from the fields have changed somewhat, and they are no longer asking only for men and women with theological training. The work of the churches on the mission fields is now reaching out into all phases of life. It demands more and more specialized training. Many of the candidates now have had some training in rural sociology, Christian journalism, teaching English as a foreign language, architecture, engineering, handicrafts, public health nursing—all these in addition to extensive courses in Bible and Christian doctrine. Such courses have been pursued at universities such as Michigan, Toronto, New York, Cornell, Syracuse, and Columbia. Study has also been undertaken at Biblical Seminary in New York and the seminaries of our Church.

Missionaries on furlough have studied for part of their furlough in preparation for greater service upon their return to the field.

All missionaries, before going to the field and upon returning home on furlough, are given thorough physical examinations at the Associated Missions Medical Office, or by a physician recommended by them. Those who are in need of special treatment are referred to specialists, either in New York or where they are residing. After the final checkup is made, the reports are sent to the fields for their files and reference.

### NATIONAL STUDENTS

One of the contributions being made by the Board toward the development of leadership in the churches abroad is the education of outstanding young men and women who have served the Church well and who would be greatly benefited by study in the United States. We have had a large number of guests and students from India, China, and Japan. They studied at Northwestern University, Johns Hopkins, Columbia, Yale, Minnesota, and at Biblical Seminary in New York, and the seminaries of our Church.

The Presidents of the Andhra Evangelical Lutheran Church in India and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Japan were guests of the Board for six months. They, and those who have been here as students, have given liberally of their time and strength in the visitation of our churches, conventions, and schools.

## Argentina

Since its organization in 1948, the United Evangelical Lutheran Church (Argentina) has been adjusting itself to work under a new constitution and under national leadership for most of the period. The Rev. Jonas Villaverde displayed effective leadership as the first president. The Rev. Luis Garcia became the third president when the Rev. John M. Armbruster, senior missionary, was forced, due to ill health, to resign from his leadership early in 1950.

One missionary, the Rev. H. D. Hammer, was loaned to the Lutheran World Federation to give full time to aiding displaced persons coming from central and eastern

Europe. One new missionary family joined the staff in 1949, while one of the two women missionaries resigned to be married. Another man missionary, on furlough, resigned in August, 1950.

Major attention has been given to reaching the newcomers from abroad. Quite a number have responded to the repeated invitations of the Church.

Due to certain governmental regulations, it was found necessary to close sections of the American Evangelical Institute in Buenos Aires. However, 611 pupils were enrolled in 1949. The Seminary and the Women's Bible Training School had three students each in 1949, with prospects for more applicants.

In February, 1949, Our Saviour's congregation was organized at Olavarria, under the leadership of the Rev. Earl Guequierre, with 30 charter members. Building sites for church property have been purchased in Rosario, Azul, and Posadas. New chapels are being constructed for Peace and Martin Luther congregations in the Misiones area. Monthly services have been conducted in Montevideo, with a view to establishing a congregation in the future.

The Church has re-affirmed its goal to be: (1) self-sustaining congregations; (2) expansion of existing church property; (3) purchase of building sites and property where mission work exists; (4) establishment of work among the Chaco Indians; (5) continued support of the Seminary, Women's Bible Training School, and the Home for the Aged.

Suitable chapels are urgently needed in several centers where leases on rooms and buildings cannot be renewed.

Our Church was among 20 denominations represented at sessions of the Latin American Evangelical Conference which was held in July, 1949, in Buenos Aires. Pastor Villaverde attended a weeklong conference on Spanish publications which was conducted in San Juan, Puerto Rico, in May, 1950.

Although the numerical growth has been relatively small during 1949, many evidences of evangelical zeal and faith have been demonstrated. More leaders from North America and Argentina must be raised up to join hands for the sake of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

## British Guiana

### CHURCH GROWTH CONTINUES

Reporting 4,131 baptized members for 1949, the Church in British Guiana now stands second in membership among our six missions. By the end of 1949, the number of congregations increased from 33 to 34, preaching points from 9 to 11. The number of baptized members increased by 323; the confirmed membership grew from 1,968 to 2,130. In 62 Sunday schools, 3,267 pupils were reported, a gain of 149. In 11 weekday schools 779 scholars were enrolled. Enrollment in Skeldon High School was 144 boys and girls.

The total number of missionaries, Guianese pastors, evangelistic workers and school teachers stood at 71. The core of leadership rested with three men and two women missionaries and three national pastors.

An urgent plea still comes to the Board for more recruits. Currently, three missionaries—two ordained men and one woman—together with two national pastors, are carrying the heavy load of pastoral work, administration, and teaching. The other leaders are on well-earned furloughs.

Several girls have applied for admission to the first Parish Workers' Class to be inaugurated in the fall of 1950. Additional young men have requested training to become catechists.

A genuine sense of Christian stewardship is developing in spite of many reverses. The spirit of self-support is gaining ground. Contributions in 1949 far exceeded any previous year. Every parish again met its pledge to support mission workers in Liberia and India. In Calvary Church, Georgetown, 1948 offerings amounted to $57.15. In 1949 total offerings were $241.51.

### CHAPELS AND CHURCHES NEEDED

Of the three church buildings dedicated during 1949, Holy Trinity, Buxton Village, is the most churchly and attractive. This edifice is a worthy memorial to the Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Paul Machetzki, who labored most faithfully in British Guiana.

In one parish a congregation of 250 has no fit place to worship. Other scattered congregations are suffering from lack of simple facilities.

At long last, a new Ebenezer parsonage has been completed in New Amsterdam. The century-old Main Street parsonage will be replaced soon. Progress is reported on the Skeldon parsonage. Additional housing for catechists is a high priority.

The Luther League has completed its pledge to build a church. St. Andrew's Church at LeRessouvenir has been completed.

New materials have been introduced in many of the Sunday schools which, no doubt, accounts in part for the increased enrollment.

### New Advance Viewed

Filling a long-felt need, sturdy row boats have been completed and placed in the service of five Berbice River catechists. A new 32-foot launch, "Swan II," will replace the first "Swan" in the 200-mile River Parish.

On October 2, 1949, Reformation congregation and school in the River Parish were established with 75 members. These active laymen have constructed a church and school building, 20 x 40 ft., to meet their immediate needs. A catechist-teacher has a school of 30 and the congregation now numbers over a hundred.

Since January 1, 1950, Transfiguration School of the Canje Parish is the second school of the Church to receive full government aid. The Church, patrons of the school, and the Board expect to aid in erecting a new building.

Work among women and girls is confined to 12 congregations of the total 34. There are eight women's and nine girls' groups. Bible study provides the springboard to instruction in Christian homemaking. Women in the towns and country joined in the World Day of Prayer services.

Truly, this young Church is growing in spirit and in truth. May consecrated pastors and workers hear the call to "come over and help us" in the Lord's work.

## China

The political situation in China continues to affect the work of the Church. Any forecasting of the future is difficult. With the advance of the Communists, churches and Christian institutions have had to make adjustments to the demands of the new government. It is evident that the Communist party will use all institutions and activities for the promotion of their principles. Regulations and restrictions have changed the pattern of Christian service. Churches have been closed in some areas, others continue to hold services at stated times, while a few have suffered little or no change in their program. In many places where the churches have been closed, groups of Christians meet in homes for worship and fellowship and are ministered to by a visiting evangelist.

Christian colleges and universities have had to change curriculum, textbooks, and administration. In many of the Christian schools a majority of the faculty continues to be Christian, but wherever the principal does not meet with the approval of the government, he is replaced by one of their choice. The schools become instruments for the indoctrination of the youth so that they will promote Communist ideas and support the new regime. Religious work continues in many of the schools, but in some places it must be done off the campus and in the homes of Christians. The middle schools have not been treated as well as the higher schools of education, and a large number have been closed.

Missionaries have remained in rather large numbers until the late summer (1950) when many realized that it would become more and more difficult for them to continue their work. They have been immobilized. This has restricted activities to their immediate vicinity. The status of the missionaries will be changed, and it will be many years before they can again give assistance to the Christian work in China. The Board of Foreign Missions is not enlisting new missionary candidates for work in China at present.

The Church will have to orientate itself to the new order, which will mean that many will forsake the faith. An indigenous church will have to be developed and the necessities of the situation may lead to greater unity. It is likely that there will be small groups of Christians meeting here and there who will develop a program of Christian service to meet the needs of the day. They will strengthen, encourage, and comfort one another, and from this will emerge a stronger and more vital Christian faith.

### STATE OF THE CHURCH

The Shantung Synod of the Lutheran Church celebrated the completion of a half century's work in 1948. In spite of many vicissitudes, the Church has experienced continued growth. Five young men were ordained as ministers during the past two years and are now in the active service of the Church.

In June, 1949, Tsingtao was taken over and the new government established. The missionaries had to take up residence in Tsingtao. Rev. James Liu, pastor of the Tsimo Church, continues to serve that community and was doing religious work in the middle school. Only seven rural churches have been functioning, and in most cases the evangelist is able to make only occasional visits. Attendance at church services has decreased, many being fearful of attending because of the restrictions and regulations.

### EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

The Bible Institute in Tsingtao has continued its work with a fair number of students. Realizing the great need to prepare more leadership for youth, special training courses have been given to a large number of young people. Daily vacation Bible schools and other special services for the education of children have strengthened the work of the churches in the Tsingtao area. All this has been done through the Bible Training School. According to the requirements of the new regime, every person must make a contribution to the welfare of the people through some productive labor. The school immediately added courses in weaving, shoemaking, and sewing which the students have found most helpful. Such courses provide funds for their education and prepare them with a vocation of value in their church service.

The Middle School at Tsimo, newly repaired by the Mission, was taken over by the Communists. Religious activities have been suspended, but many of the students continue to attend church services and classes in the church and in the homes of the pastor and evangelists.

All the elementary schools that had been financed by the Church have been closed. Four of the six kindergartens continue under the leadership of fine Christian teachers. All the teachers are compelled to attend government-sponsored classes where they are given instructions in the plans and purposes of the new government.

### MEDICAL WORK

The hospital in Tsingtao has been known and respected for the very fine type of medical service it has given the community. Our clinics in other areas have contributed greatly to the welfare of the people. Dr. Chang, a very able physician and fine Christian, is now president of the hospital. After the adjustment was made to the change in government, the number of patients increased, and the hospital has continued its service. A large stock of medical supplies and medicine has enabled the staff to continue its good service, but what will be required of the medical institutions in the future cannot be predicted. Bible students and evangelists have given a continuous spiritual service to the people as they entered the hospital. The people's government emphasizes preventive medicine, rather than the curative type, and the future of the medical work may be determined by the requirements for larger and greater public health nursing. The Nurses' Training School graduated 12 nurses in 1949.

### MISSIONARIES

With the advance of the Communists, the Board gave missionaries the privilege of returning home or evacuating to other parts of China where they might be of service. Families with small children returned home, two families and two women missionaries moved to southern China, and two women and two ordained missionaries remained in Tsingtao. Those who went to Hong Kong finally returned home, with the exception of the Rev. Charles Reinbrecht, who continues to act as liaison between the Board and those in the occupied area. Miss Erva Moody, one of the four in Tsingtao, returned home in May 1950. At present, Miss Clara Sullivan, the Rev. Donald Erickson, and the Rev. Paul E. Mackensen continue to work in Tsingtao. They are unable to leave the city, but are finding various types of service in which they can continue to witness for Christ. These courageous missionaries are constantly facing discouragements, problems, and pressures from the antireligious groups. They need our prayers.

### NEW FIELDS

Realizing the necessity for having to evacuate the Shantung area, some of the missionaries went out to find new fields that were without a church. After careful investigation and study by missionaries of Lutheran groups in China, it was decided to go into Kwangsi Province in South China. The Rev. Charles Reinbrecht and four Chinese pastors and evangelists from the Shantung Synod went to Liuchow and opened evangelistic centers. In spite of the very short time they had in which to get the work organized, two new congregations, three preaching places, medical clinics, and a rural service project had been started. The government had assured the leaders that they would co-operate by giving equipment, tools, and other supplies for the development of a service project. However, before this could be done, the entire area was occupied by the army of liberation. Dr. Martin Yang accepted the leadership for the development of the Rural Service Project. It continues to give a minimum of service to the farmers and has shown fruits of evangelism.

The doors seemed closed to the work of the Church in the northern areas, but were opened in the Kwangsi Province and, with the beginning of this new work, another link in the great chain of Lutheran churches throughout China has been forged.

### MISCELLANEOUS

Our Board has been co-operating with other Lutheran boards and societies in the Lutheran Seminary now in Hong Kong, in the publication of literature, in student work in Shanghai, and in work with Mandarin-speaking Chinese who have settled in the Hong Kong area.

Miss Sarah Tsui, known to many in America, was assigned to student service in Shanghai and is making an unusual contribution to the spiritual life of the youth in that great city.

One of the finest contributions that the Board can give to the strengthening of the churches in the foreign fields, is the education of outstanding young men and women from those fields. During the past two years Mr. Daniel Chu has been studying at Hamma Divinity School and will return to be an ordained minister to serve the Church in China. Miss Mary Ann Sung, former superintendent of the Nurses' Training School in Tsingtao, has been studying at the Skidmore School of Nursing in New York and will continue her studies at the University of Minnesota during the coming winter.

Just at the time when the missionaries and Chinese leaders needed encouragement and inspiration, the Rev. Dr. L. A. Gotwald, Executive Secretary of the Board, visiting in Japan, went to Hong Kong for a conference. During his visit he met with the Lutheran Church Council, traveled with missionaries and Chinese leaders into the Kwangsi Province to inspect the new work at Liuchow, and was greatly impressed with the opportunities for service and with the interest shown by the people. (*See Recomemndation No. 3, Page 324.*)

## India

### CHANGES IN INDIA

During the past two years India has moved forward into the ranks of free nations. On January 26, 1950, the new Constitution came into force, and the first president was inducted into office. The Constitution makes provision for freedom of speech as well as freedom to practice and propagate one's religion. The Christian movement continues to advance with steady growth. However, only about 2 per cent of the population of India is Christian. Today in free India, missionaries are no longer identified as being associated with the ruling foreign power.

However, India is not free from Communist influences. In recent months outbreaks of Communist activity have occurred, especially in South India and the Andhra country where our Church is located. Here Communism has shown itself in the form of lawless acts upon the poor villagers, seeking gains by force for its followers. Most of the members of our Church are poor, landless, agricultural laborers. Many of them are illiterate. Some of them have harkened to the promises of Communist agitators. The government has taken firm steps in the matter. However, much remains to be done to remedy some of the long outstanding social problems of the country such as poverty, lack of proper food, and illiteracy.

In October 1949, a severe cyclone swept in from the Bay of Bengal and struck heavily in the East and West Godavari Districts, the area of our Church. The damage to mission and Church properties was estimated at $50,000. Losses are being repaired by the assistance of the local Christians, by government grants, and by a special grant of $15,000 from the Church here at home.

During this biennium the cost of living for nationals and missionaries continued to rise steadily. Adjustments had to be made in salaries and cost-of-living allowances. Fortunately, a favorable financial factor came about through the devaluation of the pound sterling, which directly affected the Indian rupee. This enabled the Board and the Church in India to meet, at least to a partial degree, this rise in costs. How long this favorable exchange condition will remain cannot be accurately forecast.

The question of the establishment of the Diaconate has been receiving the special attention of the Andhra Church. Two deaconesses from America have now returned home after more than two years in India surveying the need and informing the Church regarding the nature of the Diaconate. The Church has recommended the establishment of an indigenous Diaconate. The Board has now sent further suggestions to India regarding certain modifications in the outlined plans. The Board of Foreign Missions, in consultation with the Board of Deaconess Work, will be studying this matter during the next year before reaching a final decision.

The Church in India is seeking to promote stewardship among the Christians, and continued emphasis has been placed upon increased support of the Church. However, the continued rise in living costs and the general low economic condition of this rural church, so dependent upon agricultural conditions, have made progress in self-support slow.

### Continued Opportunities

At the same time the Church is faced with great opportunities for evangelism, since about 90 of every 100 persons in the Andhra country are non-Christians. In this section of India many are willingly hearing the gospel message. The Andhra Church reports each year more than 9,000 baptisms, with a net gain of about 6,000. Today the five synods of the Andhra Lutheran Church report a baptized membership of 237,313 in more than 2,000 congregations. To minister to this number, there are almost 150 ordained Indian pastors and many hundreds of catechists, evangelists, teachers, and Bible women. But what are these among so many! The training of more leaders in our Seminary at Luthergiri, in our Andhra Christian College in Guntur, and in our high schools and training schools is, therefore, especially urgent. All this calls for our continued gifts and prayers, so that the leaders of this large Church may be strengthened in numbers, in ability to meet the evangelistic opportunities, and in their own spiritual life. We must uphold them as they seek to shepherd the sheep and bring others into the fold.

An Indian leader has recently said, "In the ecumenical Church the missionary always has a place. The question is not whether he has a place, but rather what place he can fill." Our total missionary staff in India has not been greatly increased in the last two years. But replacements have been sent to fill the gaps made by retirements and other causes. In the fall of 1950 two laymen with special training are being sent to India—one with business administration training, and another a graduate of an engineering college. They will relieve other ordained missionaries in the business of the Church and Mission and in the supervision of building construction. The field continues to send calls for more missionaries in the evangelistic and educational fields and in the ministry of healing. Ministers, doctors, nurses, and teachers are all needed.

Another important phase of the work in India is the continuing ministry of healing in our six mission hospitals and in the tuberculosis sanatorium at Visrantipuram. An expanded building program at the Sanatorium, and the installation of electricity and Xray at the Baer Hospital are major projects. Increased emphasis is being placed on public health work as an extension service of our hospitals, for which specially trained nurses are needed.

### THE INDIA CHURCH

New relationships are under consideration by the Andhra Lutheran Church in connection with the proposal to establish a United Lutheran Church in India. The formation several years ago of the United Church of South India makes necessary the clarification of future relationships with that body. Finally, the Andhra Lutheran Church, in view of the evangelistic opportunities which she faces, is making a serious study and review of the functioning of her organization. Our daughter Church in India is growing into full stature and is taking her place in making Christ known in the great, teeming land of India where so many have not yet learned to know him, "whom to know is life eternal."

## Japan

### PROGRESS AND POSSIBILITIES

The Church in Japan has made great progress with its building program and with the expansion of evangelistic work in the parishes. Seven new churches, four parsonages, two combination parsonages and churches have been acquired, and four new kindergartens have been built during the past two years. Wherever churches have been built, the attendance at services has greatly increased, and the program of the church has been enlarged.

Thirty-seven Japanese pastors and evangelists are serving in parishes which extend about 1,200 miles from Tokyo to the southern end of Japan. One congregation has become self-supporting, and it is planned that all will follow within ten years. With 3,888 baptized members reported for 1949, the numbers have almost reached prewar levels. Unprecedented opportunities for reaching the eagerly inquiring youth of Japan invite the Church to enthusiastic activity. Fearful and disillusioned young people are searching for new hope and a new way of life. Bible classes are being taught by all the missionaries, and eager students spend many hours in the homes of teachers, pastors, and leaders. One of the great needs of the Lutheran Church is a student center in both Osaka and Tokyo areas where the young people would be provided with wholesome recreation, good fellowship, and living quarters. The 57 Luther Leagues, with a membership of 1,048, have two youthful and capable missionaries as advisers, have had several conventions, and have inspired and encouraged local groups to promote work for youth in summer camps and youth fellowships.

The Sunday schools have shown an increase of more than 3,000 during 1949 with a present enrollment of 6,787. Children crowd into the small buildings, sit out under the trees, or gather in small rooms and listen eagerly to the stories told by earnest but often inexperienced teachers. The great need is lesson material and well organized teacher-training courses. The Board has sent projectors, slides, and films so that children might have the delight of visual materials.

The Protestant Church in Japan has not done as much as other religious groups in the publication of tracts, pamphlets, and translations of books. Because of high literacy in Japan, the use of the press has always been an important means of spreading the gospel. A two-year plan by the National Christian Council looks to the publication of all types of religious materials. Our Board has taken action to co-operate in this program. Special contributions are coming in from time to time for the purchase of Bibles, Testaments, hymnals, and pictures for use in the schools.

### EDUCATION

The two high schools in Kumamoto, one for boys and one for girls, have been repaired and much new equipment has been provided. New classrooms have been built to meet the demands of increased enrollments. These schools use manifold opportunities for teaching Christianity. Bible classes draw keenly interested students. The principal of Kyushu Gakuin, the boys' high school, has been spending a year in America studying school administration and educational methods. He will be prepared to interpret the new educational system which has been inaugurated in the schools of Japan.

With the return of the missionaries after the war, the work of the kindergartens has been improving. Enrollments far outnumber those of prewar days, with the result that effective teaching has been difficult. In spite of high tuitions, the new school year began with a long waiting list. Most of the 19 kindergartens have been repaired, and new equipment has been installed. Six new buildings have been built and land for others purchased. A scholarship fund for educating qualified high school graduates as preschool teachers has been established, so that in a few years understaffed schools will have adequately trained teachers. Thirteen hundred children are enrolled in our kindergartens. These schools have a program for the development of Christian family life which has brought many parents into the Church.

The Theological Seminary in Tokyo was returned to the Lutheran Church by the Church of Christ in Japan (Kyodan) which had been using it for several years. After some renovations and repairs the school was rededicated on April 16, 1950. Thirty students are enrolled, two of whom are women. The Lutheran Student Association of North America has been providing a scholarship of $300 a year for a seminary student and a general contribution toward replenishing the library.

### CHRISTIAN SOCIAL WORK

A generous gift from a friend of the Women's Missionary Society contributed in part towards the rebuilding of the Bethany Home in Tokyo. A new kindergarten building has also been added to the institution, and widows and children have been provided with comfortable homes and a friendly Christian atmosphere.

Our Christian welfare has expanded into all types of service to the needy. Repatriates have been ministered to; great quantities of relief supplies have been distributed through the institutions; day nurseries for the care of children of working mothers have been opened; employment has been provided for many; and homeless children have been given shelter and food.

The Colony of Mercy has expanded its services through the establishment of a Boy's Town. A branch service for widows and children has been opened in a beautiful home which was given to the institution by the uncle of one of the young women who spent her childhood and youth in the Colony of Mercy. One of the needs at this institution is a church where services could be held and a congregation developed.

The Old Folks' Home in Tokyo has expanded its program of service by enlarging its capacity. Forty-three residents are enjoying the comforts of a happy Christian atmosphere, and upon the completion of new buildings this number will be increased. The government has contributed generously to the suppport of all the social service institutions, and funds have also been received from the Community Chest. With gifts from the government, many additional improvements have been made possible from time to time.

A young Japanese woman, deeply moved by the neglect of the deaf, prepared to minister to this handicapped group. Today there is a rapidly growing group of men, women, and children worshiping at the Colony of Mercy and in other parts of Kumamoto Prefecture. The blind pastor, the Rev. Ryozo Ishimatsu, holds weekly services for the blind in the immediate community.

### Co-operation with Other Lutheran Groups

The challenge to the churches for an expanded evangelistic program in Japan has aroused the interest of other Lutheran groups. Eight Lutheran boards and societies now have missionaries in Japan totaling almost a hundred. Representatives from the Lutheran Church and missionaries have met several times to discuss the plans for closer co-operation in the building of one Lutheran Church. Plans have been made for the publication of a Lutheran hymnal, Luther's Catechism, The Service, and a monthly church paper, the *Lutheran*.

### Missionaries

Our missionary personnel now numbers 27, with 11 candidates under appointment. With the increase of missionaries the work can be expanded. Five residences have been built and three purchased, and, if the needs are to be met during the coming years, more new residences will have to be provided. Automobiles have been sent to mission stations which enable the missionaries to carry on work in the surrounding communities without having to struggle with the inadequate means of transportation in the country.

### Visit of the Secretaries

In the spring of 1949, the Rev. Dr. L. A. Gotwald and Miss Helen M. Shirk spent two months visiting the churches in Japan. Conferences were held with the leaders in the different areas, thus affording opportunities to meet with small groups and individuals so that the visitors could get an understanding of the problems and challenges before the Church in Japan.

### Students from Overseas

During the past two years a number of teachers and pastors have been studying in this country. They are: Miss Tokiko Kawagiri, teacher at Kyushu Jo Gakuin; Mr. Kiyoshi Kawase, principal of Kyushu Gakuin; the Rev. Atsumi Tasaka, who received a B.D. at the Southern Theological Seminary; the Rev. Naohiko Ide, studying at the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Maywood, Illinois. The Rev. Shiro Aoyama was a delegate to the World Council of Christian Education in Toronto and remained for a few months of study. Mrs. Chitose Kishi spent nine months visiting and speaking in many churches throughout the country. These young people will be well prepared to make a fine contribution to the work of the Church in Japan. (*See Recommendation No. 4, page 324.*)

## Liberia

Our Mission in Liberia celebrated its 90th Anniversary in April 1950. Some success is indicated by the organization of the national Church, but the small numbers of Christians, the meager national leadership, and the lamentably weak schools emphasize the long story of the struggle against disheartening obstacles and handicaps. The backwardness of the country, poor transportation over jungle paths, the deadening effect of fearful superstitions and animistic practices, and the constant impairment of human efficiency caused by tropical diseases—all this and other conditions have had their deleterious effect upon the progress of Christian missionary endeavor.

The 90th Anniversary was marked by new beginnings in more aggressive efforts that look hopefully to the Centennial in 1960. Missionaries are at last acquiring the use of the native language. Intensive efforts are being centered on producing more and better trained workers. More adequate provision is in preparation for permanent buildings, badly needed, to give the work a more encouraging stability.

### New Building Program

An era of building is fully advanced in Liberia. This is true of the country which is looking forward to prosperous years as a result of industrial development, public health measures, and an extensive road building program. This is also true of our Church in Liberia. In the fall of 1950 a Mission House in Monrovia will be completed. The Mission House will be the business center of the Church. Supplies purchased in the city and imported from abroad will be stored here and prepared for shipment into the interior mission stations. The treasurer of the Church and Mission will live in the Mission House, and there will be apartments for the missionary accountant and for the temporary residence of missionaries arriving in Liberia, or leaving for America.

In past years most Mission buildings in the interior have been more or less of a temporary nature, that is, native style structures with mud and stick walls, earthern floors, and thatched roofs. The Mission builder has now begun work on the construction of permanent cement block buildings at the farthest interior station, Zorzor, where a coed school, dormitory, missionaries' residence, and workers' houses are included in the plans for a well-equipped mission center. At Zorzor the Curran Memorial Hospital is now a reality in stone and mortar. When the new Phebe Hospital is built, a year or two hence, at a place called Gbonita, the Curran Memorial will become a subsidiary institution, mostly for maternity cases. Several other mission stations have enjoyed the advantage of some new construction and, in the next several years, these places, also, will be further equipped with modern buildings so that by 1960, the centennial year, the various centers may be provided with adequate housing for the work and the personnel.

### MEDICAL WORK

Phebe Hospital, formerly at Harrisburg on the St. Paul River, 20 miles inland from Monrovia, was moved to the interior in 1946 and for these several years has been joined with the Curran Memorial Hospital at Zorzor. Plans are in preparation and funds are being gathered for the building of the new Phebe Hospital at Gbonita, which is also in the interior. When this hospital is completed, it will be the center from which mobile units will serve various dispensaries and new roadside stations for medical care. Phebe Hospital will be the objective of the Epiphany Appeal in 1951.

During the war and immediately afterward the Mission in Liberia was hampered by lack of medical personnel. The outlook is now ever so much brighter. From 1946 a doctor was again on the field and, in 1949, a second physician joined the staff. Heart-cheering medical care and the miracle of surgery have brought new vigor into the work of the Church in the interior where the name of Christ is carried to far-away villages by those who come, sometimes several days' journey, to receive the merciful ministration of Mission medical service. Moreover, some towns and villages, heretofore opposed to the entrance of Christian work, are now approachable because of the physical benefit which some person has received by a visit to our hospital or dispensary.

In addition to the hospital and dispensary at the combined Phebe and Curran Hospitals in Zorzor, other dispensaries are operated in all parts of the field. These are in charge of missionary nurses. In one case a national nurse, wife of a national pastor, runs a dispensary at her home—one and a half day's walk from the nearest road. In another case a national male nurse with unusual ability and strong Christian devotion ministers to many people at Totota, a town on the one main road across Liberia. To all these dispensaries, hundreds of people come for help. In addition to the physical relief which they receive, they also learn to know something of the message of the gospel.

### PERSONNEL

Personnel problems center mostly in the matter of health, the education of missionaries' children, and the necessity for short terms on the field with consequent frequent furloughs. In the past two years three missionaries have come home for reasons of health. Two nurses have left our service. One has taken service with the Augustana Church in Tanganyika, though still supported by our own Women's Missionary Society. The other may rejoin our staff after an extended leave without pay. Some help has come from missionaries (one couple and one single woman nurse) unable to return to China and willing to take some time to be of service in Liberia. Furthermore, three missionary couples and three single women missionaries, all nurses, have been called for service.

Because there is no school for missionaries' children available to our missionaries in Liberia, the problem of education is a serious one. Inquiries have been followed, and efforts have been made to settle this problem, but there is still no solution. Consequently, one of our missionaries is now arranging to take indefinite leave, but is willing to return to Liberia whenever a school is available for his children.

Lack of continuity on the field because of frequent changes resulting from short terms (two years and three months) is a serious handicap to the work. Inquiries into the possibility of longer terms have always led to the same answer, namely, that a long term is inadvisable and, indeed, impossible.

Our missionaries are all loyal to the work and manifest enthusiasm for the field and love for the people. With the new facilities for learning the native language, and with an intensive training program for producing more national leadership, a new spirit of progress has arisen, and all eyes are turned toward the greater success to be achieved by a well-established, strongly evangelistic church in Liberia.

One of the new developments in Liberia is the use of airplanes in missionary service. In two or three hours a plane can traverse wide reaches of jungle country, saving several days of travel by car and on foot. One of our missionaries is a licensed pilot who took his own plane to Liberia. Investigations are now pointing toward the possibility of a mission-owned four-seat plane. All Mission stations are equipped with landing fields, some of which have already proved their worth in times of emergency.

### LITERACY

The Literacy Movement has had a strong protagonist in the President of Liberia, who has done much in financial and moral support of this worthy effort to open the printed page to all people. Led by Miss Norma Bloomquist, one of our own missionaries whom we have given to this cause, and eagerly seconded by all missionaries and national workers, the Literacy Movement is reaching to the interior and has progressed to the point where the President of Liberia is beginning to insist on introducing English. His aim is to make English the common language of the whole country.

In the interior Dr. Wesley Sadler, who has had training as an expert in linguistics, is working with a team of evangelists to make the Loma people literate and Christian. In fact, the whole Literacy Movement is accompanied by an evangelistic emphasis. When the people learn to read, they accept with radiant confidence the gospel teaching of those who have given them this magical skill. In our Church in Liberia all workers are devoting special efforts this year toward making our Christians literate.

**Statistics December 31, 1949**

| Country | *Missionaries* Ordained | *Missionaries* Unord. | *Wives* | *Ordained Nationals* | *Other National Workers* | *Congregations* | *Baptized Members* |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Argentina | 8 | 2 | 9 | 8 | 88 | 16 | 2,523 |
| British Guiana | 3 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 54 | 34 | 4,131 |
| China | 8 | 6 | 4 | 8 | 17 | 14 | 2,315 |
| India | 28 | 35 | 23 | 119 | 4,171 | 2,167 | 237,313 |
| Japan | 8 | 11 | 8 | 37 | 190 | 36 | 3,888 |
| Liberia | 12 | 16 | 16 | 6 | 56 | 25 | 1,708 |
| Totals | 67 | 72 | 64 | 181 | 4,576 | 2,292 | 251,878 |

## Missionaries of the Board of Foreign Missions

*July 1, 1950*

### On the Field

| Field | Married Men | Wives | Single Men | Single Women | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Argentina | 6 | 6 | — | 1 | 13 |
| British Guiana | 3 | 3 | — | 3 | 9 |
| China | 1 | — | 2 | 1 | 4 |
| India | 21 | 20 | — | 25 | 66 |
| Japan | 9 | 8 | — | 8 | 25 |
| Liberia | 12 | 12 | 1 | 9 | 34 |
| Totals | 52 | 49 | 3 | 47 | 151 |

### On Furlough or Under Appointment

| Field | Married Men | Wives | Single Men | Single Women | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Argentina | 3 | 3 | — | — | 6 |
| British Guiana | — | — | — | — | — |
| China | — | 1 | — | 2 | 3 |
| India | 5 | 5 | — | 8 | 18 |
| Japan | 4 | 3 | — | 6 | 13 |
| Liberia | 5 | 5 | — | 7 | 17 |
| Totals | 17 | 17 | — | 23 | 57 |

### Summary

| | |
|---|---|
| Argentina | 19 |
| British Guiana | 9 |
| China | 7 |
| India | 84 |
| Japan | 38 |
| Liberia | 51 |
| Total | 208 |

### Comparison—Missionaries (*Active*)

| | *July 1, 1948* | *July 1, 1949* | *July 1, 1950* |
|---|---|---|---|
| Argentina | 18 | 20 | 19 |
| British Guiana | 8 | 8 | 9 |
| China | 22 | 10 | 7 |
| India | 85 | 84 | 84 |
| Japan | 25 | 30 | 38 |
| Liberia | 43 | 50 | 51 |
| Totals | 201 | 202 | 208 |
| Board of Foreign Missions Men | 68 | 67 | 72 |
| Board of Foreign Missions Wives | 63 | 61 | 66 |
| Women's Missionary Soc. Single Women | 70 | 74 | 70 |
| Totals | 201 | 202 | 208 |

## Literature

### The Foreign Missionary

The experiences of missionaries make interesting reading. Strongest in appeal to readers are the stories from missionaries telling of their contacts with the people, their adventures in strange places, and their observation of the impact of God's Word upon non-Christians. Some of these stories seem to echo in the words of St. Luke, telling how the multitudes listened to the description of the wonders wrought by our Lord through the missionaries of that day. News from our six foreign fields and brief items of general interest from other sources are regularly carried under the title, "Mission Front," while pictures add a realistic illumination to each issue.

Pastors and Sunday school superintendents have been urged to have the Sunday school subscribe for ten or more copies a year at fifty cents a copy, so that missionary material might be available to Sunday school teachers and leaders. From many sources comes the assurance that *The Foreign Missionary* is used extensively in missionary programs in the congregations. The circulation is now 9,500. From September 1950 to January 1951, a copy is being sent to each pastor for the purpose of giving information leading to the observance of the Epiphany Appeal in the Sunday schools in 1951. The subject will be our new Phebe Hospital in Liberia.

*The Foreign Missionary* is sent to each group or individual supporting a parish abroad or some other foreign mission project. The subscription price of *The Foreign Missionary* is:

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| Single copies | 75c a year |
| Up to 100 copies | 50c a year |
| Over 100 copies | 40c a year |

### The Annual Report

*Global Missions* is the Annual Report of the Board of Foreign Missions. It is a summary of reports from the six foreign fields and contains accounts of the work, written by missionaries and national workers. During the last two years, *Global Missions* has undergone rigid editing to reduce its length to necessary limits and to make it more understandable to the reader in America. The effort has been exerted to make this report useful as a supplement to mission study groups who need an outline of our work which can be readily referred to. The report this year has been printed in larger numbers than usual and requests for free copies in modest quantities can be fulfilled.

### OTHER LITERATURE

Other literature published during the biennium includes the following

*Pamphlets*
- *Facts on China*
- *Facts on Japan*
- *Facts on British Guiana*
- *Facts on Argentina*
- *Global Call*—a brief view of all fields
- *Study Maps*—all fields

*Booklets*
- *Our China Mission 50 Years*
- *Japan Lutheran Church Today*
- *I Saw India*—by A Layman

Some of these materials have been issued under the joint imprint of the Board of Foreign Missions and the Women's Missionary Society, the cost having been shared by both boards.

The Board of Foreign Missions has sent each year to the pastors of The United Lutheran Church in America an annual publication of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America. It is entitled *Christian World Facts* and is filled with stories of world evangelism.

### MISSIONARY EMPHASIS—1950

An unusual venture in the publication of literature was made when, in place of the usual Epiphany Appeal for Foreign Missions in 1950, omitted because of CHEY, three helps were produced for Sunday school lessons on missions. Co-operating in this effort were the Board of Foreign Missions, the Board of American Missions, and the Parish and Church School Board. Sunday school lessons for January and February in 1950 were from the Book of Acts and the additional material offered was intended to emphasize Foreign Missions in January and American Missions in February.

Some research material and pictures were supplied by the Board of Foreign Missions and the Board of American Missions. Parish and Church School Board writers and editors prepared the three pieces of literature: *Teaching Helps for Emphasizing Foreign and American Missions in Connection with the Christian Growth Series Lessons,* written by the Rev. Dr. Theodore K. Finck; *Missions in Action,* a picture folder, and *Missions in the Home,* a take-home folder, both prepared by the Rev. Dr. Gustav Wiencke. The project was financed jointly by the Board of Foreign Missions and the Board of American Missions, distribution having been managed, also, by these two boards. A gratifying response was given to this special effort in providing missionary materials for Sunday school use and inquiries have shown that such arrangements would be welcomed in the future.

## Promotion

### EPIPHANY APPEALS

Epiphany Appeals during 1948 and 1949 for objectives in China and Japan provided a net amount of $105,437.94. The regular 1950 Epiphany Appeal was waived to give proper place to the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal.

Objectives and receipts for 1948 and 1949 were:

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| 1948 — To Rebuild and Equip Tsingtao Hospital in China.... | $ 57,136.23 |
| 1949 — To Win the Children of Japan for Christ ..................... | 48,301.71 |
| | $105,437.94 |

The Epiphany Appeal objective for 1951 will be to raise $50,000 for Phebe Hospital in Liberia to supplement funds already in hand for the new seventy-bed hospital.

Priority needs in Argentina will be highlighted in Epiphany 1952, as all Protestants focus attention on Latin America.

### VISUAL EDUCATION

This biennium has been marked by an all time high in the production of visual aids to promote missionary education and stewardship in local parishes. Four major films, three filmed on the fields in color, and a quantity of slides on five of the six missions, are being produced.

The Board of Foreign Missions, assisted by the Women's Missionary Society, has sent professional photographers to British Guiana, India, Japan, and Liberia to secure quantities of first-class photographs and extensive material for films and slides.

With mounting missionary concern for Japan, the first film, "Fujita, Orphan in Japan," won widespread approval in the United Lutheran Church and among other denominations. Currently, more than 130 prints are distributed in the United States, Canada, Great Britain, and several missions.

Second on the list is "Kezli of Zorzor," featuring a dramatic story of our threefold Christian advance in Liberia through medicine, education, and evangelism. Prints are being shown in Canada and Great Britain, as well as in the United States.

The newest film contrasts natural beauty and abject poverty in a typical village in India as a background to the Christian advance as initiated by the evangelist, catechist, Bible woman, and pastor.

The fourth film portrays the missionary- and social-mindedness of a consecrated Lutheran layman who practices Christian stewardship with a world-wide vision. With the exception of a few scenes taken in India, the film was produced in the United States.

Four high quality sets of 2 in. x 2 in. colored slides on our Church in British Guiana have resulted from a special visit of a missionary-photographer in 1949. Three colorful subjects on Liberia will be used widely during the 1951 Epiphany Appeal.

Filmstrips on one Japan subject and two on British Guiana have been produced for sale to congregations in which visual libraries are being established. A black and white filmstrip portrays the exciting episodes in the historic advance of the Literacy Program in Liberia.

Co-operating through the Protestant Film Commission, the Board of Foreign Missions and the Women's Missionary Society assisted in producing "Kenji Comes Home." Documentary in treatment, filmed in Japan, and produced in New York City, "Kenji" has been used widely in connection with the mission study on Japan during 1949-50.

Our mission films and slides have had an unprecedented number of showings during the biennium. Running apace with the new production of films has been the increased purchase of projection equipment by local congregations. Use-guides are provided with each new mission film to assist alert leaders to get the most out of each visual program.

Accumulated rentals received from users over the past two years will subsidize, in part, the production of a new film on Argentina. An experienced photographer has been authorized by the Board to produce during December 1950 a two-reel film on our Argentine Church.

### A New Co-operative Committee

As a direct result of a three-man survey of radio and audio-visual needs around the world from the missionary viewpoint, a special functional committee was created under the Foreign Missions Conference to initiate a three-year program. Its name—Radio, Visual Education, and Mass Communication—indicates the scope of its program, which is the training of nationals in the know-how of radio and visual aids, and the pooling of equipment and materials in strategic areas. One of seven participating boards, our Board hopes to carry its proportionate share of the three-year budget of $650,000.

### Visual Equipment for Fields

Projectors powered by pressure lanterns have been sent into areas of India and Liberia where electricity has not been introduced. The ongoing Literacy Program has been accelerated by the use of latest audio-visual aids. Additional cameras, projectors, screens, films, slides, filmstrips, wire and tape recorders, recording machines, and electric generators have been taken to the fields by missionaries and nationals. Visual aids, which have been produced on one field, are being exchanged with the other fields to create a unity of fellowship in the gospel.

Stewardship and Lutheran World Action films have been sent to all six fields.

### SPECIAL GIFTS

A growing interest has been manifested in the new Unit Plan, inaugurated jointly by the Board of Foreign Missions and the Women's Missionary Society for the supporting of men and women missionaries. Congregations, organizations, and individuals may give partial support to a missionary on the basis of one unit, or $600 annual support, until full support is reached by one or more donors. The new plan has stimulated several congregations to assume two or three units for as many missionaries serving on different fields. This has created a larger missionary outlook for many.

At present 79 men missionaries are supported fully, or in part, as compared with 65 two years ago. Contributions toward missionary support, received through the Special Gifts Department for the last fiscal year, exceeded those of the previous fiscal year by 4 per cent. Women missionaries, supported in whole or in part, number 57 as compared with 51 in 1948.

Increased apportionments and larger congregational budgets have caused only a slight decrease in supporters of Parishes Abroad and Proteges. At present, 419 parishes abroad are supported by individuals, Bible classes, Luther Leagues, congregations, and societies. There are 312 protege supporters.

Special Gifts secretaries on all fields are giving renewed efforts to convey fresh information to the donors about their projects. Increasing quantities of quality photographs are being shared with donors, either directly from the fields or from the Board office. New visual aids are being produced so that special supporters can see their project in relation to other projects.

### CONGREGATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS SUPPORTING MISSIONARIES DURING THE BIENNIUM 1948-50

| *Supporters* | *Pastors* | *Missionary* | *Field* |
|---|---|---|---|
| Albert Lea, Minn., Salem | C. J. Dion | G. O. Lindemann | Liberia |
| Allentown, Pa., Christ | H. J. Pflum | H. H. Moyer | India |
| Allentown, Pa., Christ | H. J. Pflum<br>(To 10-1-49)<br>(From 12-7-49) | H. H. Sipes<br>E. H. Roth | India<br>Japan |
| Altoona, Pa., Bethany | G. K. Bowers | Otto Spehr | Liberia |
| Altoona, Pa., First | L. H. Rhoads | W. E. Wicklund | India |
| Appleton, Wis, Trinity English | C. H. Zeidler<br>(To 5-31-50)<br>(From 6-1-50) | W. J. Wolff<br>L. T. Bowers | Br. Guiana<br>Liberia |
| Ashland, Ohio, Trinity | H. H. Lentz | J. M. Armbruster | Argentina |
| Babylon, N. Y., First | A. Zetzer | D. P. Mosling | India |
| Baltimore, Md., Christ | J. L. Deaton<br>(To 10-24-49) | R. M. Singer | China |
| Baltimore, Md., Epiphany | A. Hackmann | W. L. Sadler | Liberia |
| Baltimore, Md., Reformation | C. S. Klug | H. D. Hammer | Argentina |
| Baltimore, Md., St. Mark's | P. H. Smith | E. W. Graefe | Argentina |
| Baltimore, Md., St. Paul's | H. Schroeder | G. R. Flora | Liberia |
| Baltimore, Md., Second English | R. W. Renkel | L. W. Slifer | Liberia |
| Boyertown, Pa., St. John's | D. F. Longacre | C. H. Swavely | India |
| Brooklyn, N. Y., Redeemer | H. T. Weiskotten | H. A. Alsdorf | Japan |
| Buffalo, N. Y., Holy Trinity | R. W. Loew | D. M. Wilson | Japan |
| Chambersburg, Pa., First | | E. K. Weiss | Liberia |
| Charleston, S. C., St. Andrew's | G. A. Phillips | T. O. Stelling | Liberia |
| Columbia, S. C., St. Paul's | L. B. Hamm | C. G. Lomperis | India |
| Concord, N. C., St. James | S. W. Hahn<br>(To 10-24-49) | B. P. Huddle | Japan |
| Detroit, Mich., S. M. Hanley | | R. D. Homrighausen | Liberia |
| Fort Wayne, Ind., Trinity | P. H. Krauss | H. C. Kleiner | India |
| Fort Wayne, Ind., Trinity | P. H. Krauss<br>(To 6-15-49)<br>(From 2-10-50) | R. W. Sell<br>E. W. Reber | China<br>Liberia |
| Frederick, Md., Evangelical | W. V. Garrett | W. C. Currens | Liberia |
| Gettysburg, Pa., St. James | R. R. Gresh | L. T. Bowers | Liberia |
| Greensburg, Pa., First | S. Boerstler | G. K. Gesler | India |
| Greensburg, Pa., Zion | J. P. Harman | F. B. Irvin | India |
| Hanover, Pa., St. Matthew's | H. H. Beidleman | J. C. Peery, Jr. | India |
| Harrisburg, Pa., Christ | J. E. Rudisill | E. Guequierre | Argentina |
| Harrisburg, Pa., Christ | J. E. Rudisill | P. L. Lewis | Liberia |
| Harrisburg, Pa., Christ | J. E. Rudisill | E. H. Roth | Japan |
| Harrisburg, Pa., Zion | V. Swenson | R. M. Dunkelberger | India |
| Harrisburg, Pa., Zion | V. Swenson | E. K. Weiss | Liberia |
| Hilltown, Pa., St. Peter's | L. M. Bond | C. H. Reinbrecht | China |

| *Supporters* | *Pastors* | *Missionary* | *Field* |
|---|---|---|---|
| Hummelstown, Pa., Zion | R. J. Calhoun | F. L. Coleman | India |
| Jersey City, N. J., St. Paul's | R. W. Heins | A. Alsop | Argentina |
| Johnstown, Pa., First | W. M. Holl | A. J. Stirewalt | Japan |
| Kings Mountain, N. C.<br>Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Mauney | | H. J. Currens | Liberia |
| Lansdale, Pa., Trinity | W. P. Reumann | W. T. Benze | India |
| Lititz, Pa., St. Paul's | | E. W. Graefe | Argentina |
| Madison, Wis., Luther Memorial | C. A. Puls | G. O. Lindemann | Liberia |
| Mansfield, Ohio, First | C. P. Mitchell | J. C. Finefrock | India |
| Mansfield, Ohio, First | C. P. Mitchell | L. C. Yund | Liberia |
| Mansfield, Ohio, St. Luke's | H. S. Garnes | R. S. Oberly | India |
| Minneapolis, Minn., Holy Trinity | P. L. Graf | D. E. Erickson | China |
| Minneapolis, Minn., Salem | P. L. Wetzler | G. O. Lindemann | Liberia |
| Newberry, S. C., Redeemer | P. E. Monroe | H. G. Deal | Japan |
| Perkasie, Pa., St. Andrew's | L. F. Schlenker | C. H. Reinbrecht | China |
| Perkasie, Pa., Trinity | N. Y. Ritter | P. G. Hansen | Br. Guiana |
| Philadelphia, Pa., Bethel | I. H. Hagedorn | O. V. Werner | India |
| Philadelphia, Pa., Bethel | I. H. Hagedorn | L. C. Yund | Liberia |
| Philadelphia, Pa., Nativity | W. C. Johnson | S. N. McCartney | Japan |
| Philadelphia, Pa., St. John's | K. P. Otten | P. J. Mackensen | China |
| Philadelphia, Pa., St. Peter's | G. E. Knapp | W. C. Currens | Liberia |
| Philadelphia, Pa., Tabor | E. Schmitt | E. H. Flothmeier | Liberia |
| Pittsburgh, Pa., First English | R. W. Stackel | H. A. Alsdorf | Japan |
| Red Wing, Minn., St. Paul's | R. P. Roth | G. O. Lindemann | Liberia |
| Richmond Hill, N. Y., St. John's | R. F. Weiskotten | A. C. Knudten | Japan |
| Rochester, Pa., Grace | E. A. Ortner | E. G. Wood | India |
| Rochester, Pa., St. John's | | C. S. Hayner | Br. Guiana |
| St. Paul, Minn., Holy Trinity | W. P. Gerberding | G. O. Lindemann | Liberia |
| St. Petersburg, Fla., Trinity | H. V. Kahlenberg | H. G. Deal | Japan |
| Seattle, Wash. University | E. Hummon | G. O. Lindemann | Liberia |
| Slovak Zion Synod | | A. Mazak | Argentina |
| Sunbury, Pa., Zion | R. W. Koons | M. P. Lane | India |
| Toledo, Ohio, Glenwood | A. E. Bell | V. E. Zigler | India |
| Wadsworth, Ohio, A Friend | (To 5-31-50) | W. J. Wolff | Br. Guiana |
| | (From 6-1-50) | N. E. Townsend | Argentina |
| Warren, Pa., First | E. K. Rogers | M. L. Dolbeer | India |
| Washington, D. C., Keller Memorial | C. R. Simon | | |
| | (To 5-22-49) | M. D. Shutters | China |
| | (From 3-9-50) | L. T. Bowers | Liberia |
| | (From 3-9-50) | P. E. Holmer | India |
| Washington, D.C., Reformation | O. F. Blackwelder | W. P. Peery | India |
| Waterloo, Ontario, St. John's | A. L. Conrad | M. G. L. Ruccius | Liberia |
| Waynesboro, Pa., Evangelical | B. C. Ritz | H. V. Whetstone | Liberia |
| Wesleyville, Pa., Harrison Machine Co. | | L. H. Spath | Argentina |
| Western Canada Synod | | W. T. Weind | Liberia |
| Wilmington, Del., Holy Trinity | J. F. Kelly | W. D. Coleman | India |
| Winchester, Va., Grace | W. E. Eisenberg | L. S. G. Miller | Japan |
| Winston-Salem, N. C., Augsburg | R. R. Fisher | L. E. L. Irschick | India |
| York, Pa., St. Matthew's | G. E. Folkemer | W. L. Sadler | Liberia |
| York, Pa., St. Paul's | C. S. Simonton | E. W. Reber | Liberia |

## CONGREGATIONS SUPPORTING MISSIONARIES UNDER THE WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Baltimore, Md., St. Luke's | J. C. Stuff | Helen Lawson | Liberia |
| Brooklyn, N. Y., Good Shepherd | W. F. Sunday | Alice Nickel | India |
| Carlisle, Pa., St. Paul's | E. P. Truchses | Clara J. Leaman | India |
| Chambersburg, Pa., First | (To 9-22-48) | Mrs. M. Schmitthenner | India |
| Chicago, Ill., Edgebrook | A. H. Weeg | Erva Moody | China |
| Chicago, Ill., Unity | M. H. Stiles | Edith Eykamp | India |
| Davenport, Iowa, St. Mark's | W. R. Eller | Ruth E. Sigmon | India |
| Detroit, Mich., Hope | F. P. Madsen | | |
| | (To 7-15-49) | Virginia Hoover | Argentina |
| | (From 7-15-49) | Dorothy Morter | Br. Guiana |
| Dixon, Ill., St. Paul's | G. J. Curran | Bertha Fromble | Japan |
| Elgin, Ill., Holy Trinity | | Dorothy Petersen | India |
| Leechburg, Pa., First | W. F. Pfeifer | Ruth Kepple | Liberia |
| Milwaukee, Wis., Redeemer | A. A. Zinck | Myrtle Onsrud | India |
| Omaha, Nebr., Kountze Memorial | W. H. Traub | Mette Blair | India |
| Rockford, Ill., Trinity | O. G. Beckstrand | Edith Eykamp | India |
| Salisbury, N. C., St. John's | P. D. Brown | | |
| | (To 1-1-50) | Catharine Stirewalt | Japan |
| | (From 1-1-50) | Elizabeth Huddle | Japan |
| Souderton, Pa., Emmanuel | W. R. Seaman | Hilda Kaercher | India |
| South Williamsport, Pa., Messiah | E. R. Shaheen | K. Marie Jensen | Liberia |

## SYNODICAL SOCIETIES SUPPORTING WOMEN MISSIONARIES

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Central Pennsylvania | | |
| East Pennsylvania Conference | M. Edna Engle | India |
| East Pennsylvania Conference | Pauline Ziegler | Liberia |
| Susquehanna Conference | Barbara DeRemer | India |
| Susquehanna Conference | C. Zimmerman | India |
| West Pennsylvania Conference | Mae Rohlfs | China |

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| West Pennsylvania Conference | Leila VanDeusen | India |
| Illinois | | |
| Congress | L. Bartolomei | Liberia |
| Northern Conference | Erva Moody | China |
| Synodical Society | Bertha Fromble | Japan |
| Iowa | Esther Bacon | Liberia |
| Kansas | Lilith Schwab | India |
| Maryland | Norma Bloomquist | Liberia |
| Maryland | Myrtle Wilke | Argentina |
| Midwest | Helene Harder | Japan |
| Midwest | Elaine Wagner | Br. Guiana |
| Midwest | Bertha Koenig | Liberia |
| Ministerium of Pennsylvania | Marion Potts | Japan |
| Ministerium of Pennsylvania | Sarah Snyder | India |
| Nebraska | Helen Evans | Liberia |
| New York | Amelia Brosius | India |
| New York (To 4-15-50) | Mildred Ernst | India |
| New York | Mabel Meyer | India |
| North Carolina | V. Aderholdt | Japan |
| North Carolina | Clara Sullivan | China |
| North Carolina (To 1-1-50) | Kathleen Ragan | China |
| Northwest | Miriam T. Miller | Liberia |
| Ohio | Marianna Bunger | Liberia |
| Ohio (To 12-31-50) | Evelyn Coovert | China |
| Pittsburgh | Ethel Emerick | Liberia |
| South Carolina | Mary Wood | Japan |
| Wartburg | Ruth Slifer | India |
| West Virginia | Elsie Otto | Liberia |

### Local Societies Supporting Women Missionaries

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|---|---|---|
| Emma Johnson Missionary Society<br>Trinity Church, Rockford, Ill. | Emma Johnson | India |

### Individuals Supporting Women Missionaries

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Mr. Walter Rawl, Gilbert, S. C. | Hazel Naugle | India |

### Missionaries Supported by the Women's Missionary Society Augustana Ev. Lutheran Church

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|---|---|
| A. Christenson | India |
| Ella Hansen | India |
| Verna Lofgren | India |
| Betty Nilsson | India |
| Ruth Swanson | India |

### Proposed Amendment to U.L.C.A. Constitution

At the 1948 convention of The United Lutheran Church in America a new Article XV (Affiliated Churches) was approved for submission to the synods for ratification, and has since been ratified by the requisite number of synods. In this Article XV, the daughter churches were asked that they "accept the Constitution of The United Lutheran Church in America with its Doctrinal Basis as set forth in Article II." Further consideration and consultations with leaders in some of these churches, have led to the realization that acceptance of the whole United Lutheran Church in America Constitution is unreasonable and unnecessary, since many of its provisions do not apply in the case of churches on the mission fields. Furthermore, these churches should not be hindered in the development of Lutheran polity in whatsoever form they may desire. Therefore, the Board of Foreign Missions, with the concurrence of the Executive Board of the Church, is proposing an amendment to Article XV (Affiliated Churches), so that such Affiliated Churches will be asked to accept only such parts of The United Lutheran Church in America Constitution which particularly pertain to them and their relationship with The United Lutheran Church in America, namely Article II (Doctrinal Basis) and Article XV (Affiliated Churches). (*See Recommendation No. 1, page 902.*)

### New Pension Arrangements

For five years or more the Board of Foreign Missions has been faced with the necessity of making adjustments in salaries and pension provisions for our missionaries. Changing conditions in our overseas fields, such as the steady rise in the costs of living and travel, have necessitated this action. Complying with the action of the 1940 United Lutheran Church in America convention (Minutes pages 78, 147), no change has hitherto been made in the Board's pension provisions which existed previous to the Baltimore (1938) convention. However, since then, The United Lutheran Church in America Contributory Pension Plan has come into operation. This has made necessary certain adjustments in the pension arrangements for our missionaries, just as in the case of ministers and their congregations. Following a study of this matter which extended over several years, the Board has now adopted new pension arrangements. As of January 1950 all missionaries are required to join the Contributory Pension Plan. The Board and the missionary each pay into the Contributory Pension Plan at the minimum rate of 4 per cent of the missionary's salary (plus 15 per cent for free living quarters) for missionaries who have served less than ten years. For those who have served more than ten and 20 years, both the missionaries and the Board each pay into the Contributory Pension Plan at the rate of 6 per cent and 8 per cent, respectively, in each of these salary groups. This procedure is in conformity with Article V of the Contributory Pension Plan, which opens to "both the member and his congregation" (in this case, the Board of Foreign Missions) the privilege of making additional, optional contributions. In this way missionaries with longer service will be enabled to build up larger reserves in the Plan and thus make more adequate provision for their retirement benefits. The Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America has approved this plan. We now ask the convention's approval of these new pension arrangements for our missionaries. (*See Recommendation No. 2, page 902.*)

## Board of Foreign Missions

### OFFICERS OF THE BOARD

| | |
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| President ............ | Rev. Dr. Abdel R. Wentz |
| Vice-President...... | Rev. Wm. P. Gerberding |
| Secretary ............ | Rev. Dr. Fred J. Fiedler |
| Treasurer.................... | Mr. Ernest F. Proffen |

### STAFF OF SECRETARIES

Rev. Dr. L. A. Gotwald, Executive Secretary; Rev. Dr. Herman L. Gilbert; Rev. Dr. Fred J. Fiedler; Miss Helen M. Shirk; Rev. Dr. George Drach, Emeritus Consulting Secretary; Rev. Dr. M. Edwin Thomas, Retired Secretary; Rev. Dr. Edwin Moll, Secretary on loan to Lutheran World Federation.

### BOARD MEMBERS

*Term Expires 1950*

Rev. Dr. A. H. Keck; Rev. Dr. John L. Yost; Rev. Dr. J. E. Rudisill; Mr. Deems Haltiwanger; Rev. Dr. W. D. Spangler; Mr. John C. Korn; Mr. M. P. Moller, Jr.

*Term Expires 1952*

Rev. Wm. P. Gerberding; Rev. Dr. Abdel R. Wentz; Rev. Dr. K. W. Kinard; Mr. Wm. Zimmerman, Ph.D.; Rev. Dr. W. Carl Satre; Mrs. J. L. Almond, Jr.; Mrs. O. A. Sardeson.

*Term Expires 1954*

Rev. Dr. A. J. Beil; Rev. Dr. C. F. Stickles; Rev. Dr. Ralph W. Loew; Rev. Dr. R. E. Tulloss; Rev. Dr. H. J. McGuire; Glenn R. Frye, M.D.; Mr. George S. Yost.

### CO-OPERATING MEMBERS

Augustana Lutheran Church: Rev. Dr P. O. Bersell, Primary; Rev. Dr. S. H. Swanson, Alternate.

United Evangelical Lutheran Church: Rev. Dr. J. P. Nielsen, Primary; Rev. Dr. P. Nyholm, Alternate.

### ADVISORY MEMBERS

Mrs. C. W. Baker, Jr.; Mrs. Margaret Miller.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

With thanks to Almighty God for his grace revealed to us in Christ our Saviour, and with recognition of the global call as found in his Word and as seen in the needs of men, we look with confident trust to that divine guidance without which we can do no good thing, and we turn to the Church for the faithful obedience of the command of our Lord: "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

The Board of Foreign Missions offers the following recommendations:

1. Recommended that this convention of The United Lutheran Church in America approve for submission to the synods, the following amendment to the Constitution of The United Lutheran Church in America:

Amend Article XV, Section 1, as follows: In place of the words, *"which has accepted the Constitution with its Doctrinal Basis as set forth in Article II,"* substitute the words: *"which has accepted Article II (Doctrinal Basis) and Article XV (Affiliated Churches) of this Constitution."* (Adopted, see p. 918)

2. Recommended that this Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America give general approval to the revised pension provisions of the Board of Foreign Missions, as exhibited on page 322 of the report of the Board of Foreign Missions to this convention. (Adopted, see p. 918)

3. Recommended (*a*) that this convention of The United Lutheran Church in America convey to our fellow workers, nationals, and missionaries in China, our continued interest and fervent prayers for them as they labor under changing and challenging conditions;

(*b*) that this convention approve the action of the Board of Foreign Missions in undertaking exploratory work in Kwangsi Province in evangelism, medical missions, and rural development;

(*c*) that this convention request that developments of a permanent nature on this field be reported to the next convention of The United Lutheran Church in America for approval.

(*d*) that this convention express the hope that the newly undertaken work in China will continue to have the co-operation of other Lutheran churches and missionary societies. (Adopted, see p. 919)

4. Recommended that this convention of The United Lutheran Church in America express its joy in the fact that other Lutheran bodies are joining hands with ours in bringing the gospel of salvation to Japan; and offer its prayers that through the coming years our fellowship may be closer as we labor together for the upbuilding of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Japan. (Adopted, see p. 919)

William P. Gerberding, *Vice-President*
Fred J. Fiedler, *Secretary*

EXHIBIT "A"

## THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

### Balance Sheet

*June 30, 1950*

*Assets*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *General Fund:* | | |
| Cash in bank and on hand | $172,467.31 | |
| Investments at book value (Market value $291,744.65) | 292,061.98 | |
| Advances to missionaries and fields | 15,487.08 | |
| | | $480,016.37 |
| *Trust Funds:* | | |
| Cash in bank | $ 4,309.44 | |
| Investments at book value (Market value $173,789.13) | 173,371.59 | |
| | | 177,681.03 |
| *Annuity Fund:* | | |
| Cash in bank | $ 1,839.09 | |
| Investments at book value (Market value $68,564.07) | 51,907.33 | |
| | | 53,746.42 |

*Liabilities and Funds*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *General Fund:* | | | |
| Deposits held for Foreign Fields | | $139,227.15 | |
| Unexpended board appropriations for Foreign Fields | | 44,726.05 | |
| Designated specials and accounts payable | | 93,210.15 | |
| Medical scholarship fund | | 3,500.00 | |
| | | | $280,663.35 |
| William F. Wagner Fund (Designated) | $ 45,277.10 | | |
| Other bequests and legacies (Designated) | 34,692.77 | | |
| | | $ 79,969.87 | |
| General fund reserves and surplus: | | | |
| Allocated | $ 14,824.86 | | |
| Unallocated | 104,558.29 | | |
| | | 119,383.15 | |
| | | | 199,353.02 |
| | | | $480,016.37 |
| *Trust Funds:* | | | |
| Principal fund | | $177,681.03 | |
| | | | 177,681.03 |
| *Annuity Fund:* | | | |
| Principal fund | | $ 39,269.14 | |
| Matured annuities (held in reserve) | | 14,477.28 | |
| | | | 53,746.42 |

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|---|---|---|
| *Andhra Christian College Fund:* | | |
| Cash in bank | $ 726.21 | |
| Investments at book value (Market value $282,656.94) | 263,242.06 | |
| | | 263,968.27 |
| Total assets | | $975,412.09 |
| Total book value of investments | | $780,582.96 |
| Total market value of investments | | $816,754.79 |

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| *Andhra Christian College Fund:* | | |
| Principal fund | $263,968.27 | |
| | | 263,968.27 |
| Total liabilities and funds | | $975,412.09 |

### Notes to Balance Sheets

In addition to the assets enumerated the Board has a beneficial interest of $50,247.72 in a trust fund held by the Western National Bank of York, York, Pennsylvania.

This statement does not reflect the assets held nor the liabilities incurred by the Missionary Councils and Associations operating in Foreign Fields which are supported by The Board of Foreign Missions of The United Lutheran Church in America, nor does it include any investment in property in foreign fields.

EXHIBIT "B"

## Balance Sheet

*June 30, 1949*

### *Assets*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *General Fund:* | | |
| Cash in bank and on hand | $ 89,632.94 | |
| Investments at book value (Market value $388,042.77) | 392,626.00 | |
| Advances to missionaries and fields | 43,145.89 | |
| | | $525,404.83 |
| *Trust Funds:* | | |
| Cash in bank | $ 32,180.37 | |
| Investments at book value (Market value $138,603.50) | 143,166.29 | |
| | | 175,346.66 |

### *Liabilities and Funds*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *General Fund:* | | | |
| Deposits held for Foreign Fields | | $147,383.28 | |
| Unexpended board appropriations for Foreign Fields | | 60,157.76 | |
| Designated specials and accounts payable | | 88,564.67 | |
| Medical scholarship fund | | 3,000.00 | |
| | | | $299,105.71 |
| William F. Wagner Fund (Designated) | $ 51,569.50 | | |
| Other bequests and legacies (Designated) | 10,626.90 | | |
| | | $ 62,196.40 | |
| General fund reserves and surplus: | | | |
| Allocated | $ 21,055.93 | | |
| Unallocated | 143,046.79 | | |
| | | 164,102.72 | |
| | | | 226,299.12 |
| | | | $525,404.83 |
| *Trust Funds:* | | | |
| Principal fund | | $175,346.66 | |
| | | | 175,346.66 |

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|---|---|---|
| *Annuity Fund:* | | |
| Cash in bank (Overdraft) | $ (569.39) | |
| Investments at book value (Market value $57,228.30) | 52,953.44 | |
| | | 52,384.05 |
| *Andhra Christian College Fund:* | | |
| Cash in bank | $ 30,122.99 | |
| Investments at book value (Market value $235,091.89) | 233,845.28 | |
| | | 263,968.27 |
| *India Centennial Fund:* | | |
| Cash in bank (Overdraft) | $ (555.41) | |
| Investments at book value (Market value $25,000.00) | 25,000.00 | |
| | | 24,444.59 |
| Total assets | | $1,041,548.40 |

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|---|---|---|
| *Annuity Fund:* | | |
| Principal fund | $ 41,407.69 | |
| Matured annuities (Held in reserve) | 10,976.36 | |
| | | 52,384.05 |
| *Andhra Christian College Fund:* | | |
| Principal fund | $263,968.27 | |
| | | 263,968.27 |
| *India Centennial Fund:* | | |
| Principal fund | $ 24,444.59 | |
| | | 24,444.59 |
| Total liabilities and funds | | $1,041,548.40 |

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| Notes—Total book value of investments | $ 847,591.01 |
| Market value of investments | $ 843,966.46 |

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See notes to the balance sheets attached
Brackets ( ) denote red figures

EXHIBIT "C"

## Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

## General Fund

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Operating Receipts:* | | | | |
| The United Lutheran Church in America: | | | | |
| Apportionment—Part I | $751,800.00 | | $564,000.00 | |
| Double apportionment | 81,388.45 | | 165,201.51 | |
| Apportionment—Part II | 125,000.00 | | 233,744.04 | |
| Contributions for parishes abroad, missionaries' salaries, proteges and general work | 168,482.82 | | 146,098.19 | |
| Income from general and trust fund investments | 11,505.52 | | 10,603.50 | |
| Total operating receipts | | $1,138,176.79 | | $1,119,647.24 |
| *Other Receipts:* | | | | |
| Women's Missionary Society | $485,459.21 | | $557,883.21 | |
| Undesignated bequests | 68,065.87 | | 25,722.62 | |
| Andhra Christian College investment income | 10,060.20 | | 6,899.63 | |
| Repayment of advances to mission fields and missionaries | 313,807.37 | | 214,203.79 | |
| Received for medical scholarships fund | 1,500.00 | | 3,500.00 | |
| Specials for mission fields | 36,281.28 | | 20,807.68 | |
| Received for automobile fund | 13,497.63 | | 2,432.06 | |
| William L. Wagner Fund—investment income | 1,007.60 | | 1,011.17 | |
| Luther League of America—projects | 9,900.00 | | 10,000.00 | |
| Income on investments — Luther League of America—projects | 395.00 | | 395.00 | |
| Epiphany appeal for China—1948 | 92.00 | | 9,414.77 | |
| Epiphany appeal for Japan—1949 | 9,731.43 | | 50,307.11 | |
| Double apportionment reserved for special purposes | .... | | 32,384.20 | |
| Loma work—Liberia | 150.00 | | .... | |
| United Evangelical Lutheran Church for Building—Japan | 5,352.82 | | .... | |
| Tax withheld from employees—unremitted | 295.10 | | .... | |
| Proceeds of sale of investments | 150,564.02 | | .... | |
| Total other receipts | | 1,106,159.53 | | 934,961.24 |
| Total receipts—general fund | | $2,244,336.32 | | $2,054,608.48 |
| *Operating Disbursements:* | | | | |
| General work, salaries and allowances and travel in foreign fields: | | | | |
| Argentine | $ 67,046.51 | | $ 57,707.29 | |
| British Guiana | 57,014.64 | | 53,280.61 | |
| China | 52,737.26 | | 76,593.99 | |
| India | 307,638.74 | | 321,730.80 | |
| Japan | 92,040.68 | | 90,764.98 | |
| Liberia | 121,612.36 | | 107,559.75 | |
| | | $698,090.19 | | $707,637.42 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| Staff salaries and allowances: |  |  |  |  |
| Rev. L. A. Gotwald, D.D. | $ 6,925.00 |  | $ 6,700.00 |  |
| Rev. F. J. Fiedler, D.D. | 6,200.00 |  | 6,200.00 |  |
| Rev. H. L. Gilbert, D.D. | 6,200.00 |  | 6,200.00 |  |
| E. F. Proffen | 6,200.00 |  | 6,200.00 |  |
| Rev. P. P. Anspach, D.D. | .... |  | 1,033.34 |  |
|  |  | 25,525.00 |  | 26,333.34 |
| Office salaries |  | 12,160.45 |  | 12,861.60 |
| Special allowances and pensions |  | 14,387.51 |  | 13,790.89 |
| Contributory and lay pensions |  | 8,628.91 |  | 6,495.51 |
| Promotion and visual education work |  | 37,768.27 |  | 8,668.15 |
| Expenses of missionaries on furlough and deputation work |  | 17,237.43 |  | 19,376.24 |
| Interboard activities |  | 33,615.00 |  | 19,945.00 |
| Students and candidates expenses |  | 16,475.69 |  | 14,443.33 |
| Board members and secretaries expenses |  | 8,343.22 |  | 8,292.70 |
| Secretaries visits to foreign fields |  | 344.00 |  | 3,904.14 |
| Magazines and literature (net of subscriptions) |  | 12,671.41 |  | 10,805.63 |
| Professional fees |  | 1,725.00 |  | 1,850.00 |
| Office expenses, postage, telephone and cables |  | 5,853.72 |  | 6,498.94 |
| Maintenance — Church House |  | 5,768.40 |  | 5,768.40 |
| Conventions and meetings |  | .... |  | 4,718.05 |
| Joint sundry school projects — Board of American Missions |  | (138.65) |  | 3,000.00 |
| Miscellaneous expenditures |  | .... |  | 2,936.05 |
| Allocations to fields for special projects: |  |  |  |  |
| Argentine | $ 13,000.00 |  | $ 15,000.00 |  |
| British Guiana | 18,810.00 |  | 9,715.80 |  |
| China | 5,000.00 |  | .... |  |
| India | 70,550.00 |  | 22,950.00 |  |
| Japan | 86,500.00 |  | 75,134.09 |  |
| Liberia | 57,000.00 |  | 15,500.00 |  |
| Automobile replacements | 10,572.41 |  | 5,000.00 |  |
| Other projects | 15,777.33 |  | 13,920.35 |  |
|  |  | 277,209.74 |  | 157,220.24 |
| Bible pictures for fields |  | 1,000.00 |  | .... |
| Total operating disbursements |  | $1,176,665.29 |  | $1,034,545.63 |
| *Other Disbursements:* |  |  |  |  |
| Women's Missionary Society for general work, salaries and travel in foreign fields |  | $515,269.99 |  | $519,861.26 |
| Buildings, improvements and equipment: |  |  |  |  |
| Argentine | $ 12,500.00 |  | $ .... |  |
| China | .... |  | 16,000.00 |  |
| India | 15,000.00 |  | 58,000.00 |  |
| Japan | 805.24 |  | 54,328.51 |  |
| Liberia | 55,373.22 |  | 11,617.26 |  |
|  |  | 83,678.46 |  | 139,945.77 |

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|---|---|---|
| Special language work—Liberia.... | 1,523.50 | 1,550.72 |
| Luther League of America projects—salaries and expenses.... | 150.06 | 2,365.88 |
| Recordings—China ........................ | .... | 100.00 |
| Relief and rehabilitation—Japan.... | .... | 2,512.85 |
| Epiphany appeal 1949—expenses | 1,586.49 | 9,968.02 |
| Epiphany appeal 1949—to Japan for Children's work ............. | 30,777.00 | .... |
| Literature—Japan ........................ | 4,660.54 | 335.58 |
| Advances to mission fields and missionaries .......................... | 245,038.93 | 224,633.49 |
| Medical scholarship grant ........... | 1,000.00 | 500.00 |
| Specials to fields ........................ | 25,156.75 | 20,235.39 |
| Andhra Christian College investment income ...................... | 8,139.48 | 6,114.63 |
| Purchase of automobiles from automobile fund ...................... | 8,351.63 | 7,291.94 |
| Joint sundry school project expenditures ................................. | 2,997.76 | 2.24 |
| Purchase of investments ............. | 50,000.00 | 100,564.02 |
| Double apportionment—1948 disbursed on allocation ........... | 6,231.07 | .... |
| Total other disbursements ........... | 984,836.00 | 1,035,981.79 |
| Total disbursements—general fund | $2,161,501.95 | $2,070,527.42 |

*Summary:*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Cash balance—beginning of year | $ 89,632.94 | $ 105,551.88 |
| Receipts ........................................ | 2,244,336.32 | 2,054,608.48 |
| | $ 2,333,969.26 | $ 2,160,160.36 |
| Disbursements .............................. | 2,161,501.95 | 2,070,527.42 |
| Cash balance—end of year ........ | $ 172,467.31 | $ 89,632.94 |

EXHIBIT "D"

## Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

### Other Funds

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Trust Funds:* | | | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of year.... | | $ 32,180.37 | | $ 28,679.54 |
| Receipts: | | | | |
| Additional trust funds ........... | $ 2,120.00 | | $ 695.00 | |
| Income from investments ........ | 4,375.52 | | 4,629.08 | |
| Proceeds from sale of securities | 407.53 | | 7,101.45 | |
| | | 6,903.05 | | 12,425.53 |
| | | $39,083.42 | | $41,105.07 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| Disbursements: | | | | |
| Cost of securities purchased | $ 30,398.46 | | $ .... | |
| Investment income transferred to general fund | 4,120.87 | | 4,369.49 | |
| Income from designated trust funds: | | | | |
| India field | 121.50 | | 123.84 | |
| Japan field | 133.15 | | 135.75 | |
| Transferred to Japan—Estate of Margaretta Miller | .... | | 4,295.62 | |
| | | 34,773.98 | | 8,924.70 |
| Cash balance, end of year | | $ 4,309.44 | | $32,180.37 |
| *Annuity Fund:* | | | | |
| Cash overdraft, beginning of year | | $ (569.39) | | $ (1,129.27) |
| Receipts: | | | | |
| Proceeds from sale of securities | $ 1,000.00 | | $ .... | |
| Income from investments | 4,132.27 | | 3,558.27 | |
| Amortization of premium on ground rents | 46.11 | | 46.11 | |
| | | 5,178.38 | | 3,604.38 |
| | | $ 4,608.99 | | $ 2,475.11 |
| Disbursements: | | | | |
| Interest paid to annuitants | | 2,769.90 | | 3,044.50 |
| Cash balance or (overdraft) end of year | | $ 1,839.09 | | $ (569.39) |
| *Andhra Christian College Fund:* | | | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of year | | $ 30,122.99 | | $ 14,624.85 |
| Receipts: | | | | |
| Income from investments | $ 10,060.20 | | $ 6,899.63 | |
| Proceeds from sale of securities | 7,827.07 | | 26,536.66 | |
| | | 17,887.27 | | |
| | | $ 48,010.26 | | $ 48,061.14 |
| Disbursements: | | | | |
| Investment income transferred to general fund | $ 10,060.20 | | $ 6,899.63 | |
| Cost of securities purchased | 37,223.85 | | 11,038.52 | |
| | | 47,284.05 | | 17,938.15 |
| Cash balance, end of year | | $ 726.21 | | $ 30,122.99 |
| *India Centennial Fund:* | | | | |
| Cash overdraft, beginning of year | | $ (555.41) | | $ (1,586.66) |
| Receipts: | | | | |
| Donations | $ .... | | $ 750.00 | |
| Income from securities | 244.79 | | 281.25 | |
| Proceeds from sale of securities | 25,000.00 | | .... | |
| | | 25,244.79 | | 1,031.25 |
| | | $24,689.38 | | $ (555.41) |
| Disbursements: | | | | |
| Remitted to India | | 24,689.38 | | .... |
| Cash balance or (overdraft) end of year | | $ .... | | $ (555.41) |

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EXHIBIT "E"

## Reconciliation of Funds

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *General Fund:* | | | | |
| Balance, beginning of year | | $ 226,299.12 | | $ 146,708.97 |
| Operating receipts (Exhibit "C") | $ 1,138,176.79 | | $ 1,119,647.24 | |
| Operating disbursements (Exhibit "C") | 1,176,665.29 | | 1,034,545.63 | |
| Excess (deficiency) receipts over disbursements | | (38,488.50) | | 85,101.61 |
| General fund balance before other charges and credits | | $ 187,810.62 | | $ 231,810.58 |
| Other credits: | | | | |
| Undesignated bequests and legacies | $ 68,065.87 | | $ 25,722.62 | |
| William L. Wagner Fund investment Income | 1,007.60 | | 1,011.17 | |
| | | 69,073.47 | | 26,733.79 |
| | | $ 256,884.09 | | $ 258,544.37 |
| Other charges: | | | | |
| Allocation from 1948 double apportionment disbursed in 1949-1950 | | 6,231.07 | | .... |
| | | $ 250,653.02 | | $ 258,544.37 |
| Charges to reserves and undesignated bequests for buildings, improvements and new equipment appropriations: | | | | |
| China | $ .... | | $ 620.25 | |
| India | 15,000.00 | | 13,000.00 | |
| Japan | .... | | 625.00 | |
| Liberia | 23,800.00 | | 18,000.00 | |
| Argentine | 12,500.00 | | .... | |
| | | 51,300.00 | | 32,245.25 |
| Balance end of year | | $ 199,353.02 | | $ 226,299.12 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Trust Funds:* | | | | |
| Balance, beginning of year | | $ 175,346.66 | | $ 178,511.03 |
| Additional trust funds | $ 2,120.00 | | $ 695.00 | |
| Profit on sale of securities | 214.37 | | 436.25 | |
| Income received on investments | 4,375.52 | | 4,629.08 | |
| | | 6,709.89 | | 5,760.33 |
| | | $ 182,056.55 | | $ 184,271.36 |
| Deduct: | | | | |
| Income on investments transferred to general fund | $ 4,120.87 | | $ 4,369.49 | |
| Income from designated trust funds: | | | | |
| India Field | 121.50 | | 123.84 | |
| Japan Field | 133.15 | | 135.75 | |
| Transferred to Japan—Estate of Margaretta Miller | .... | | 4,295.62 | |
| | | 4,375.52 | | 8,924.70 |
| Balance, end of year | | $ 177,681.03 | | $ 175,346.66 |
| | | 7/1/49<br>6/30/50 | | 7/1/49<br>6/30/49 |
| *Annuity Fund:* | | | | |
| Balance, beginning of year | | $ 52,384.05 | | $ 51,870.28 |
| Income received on investments | | 4,132.27 | | 3,558.27 |
| | | $ 56,516.32 | | $ 55,428.55 |
| Deduct: | | | | |
| Interest paid to annuitants | | 2,769.90 | | 3,044.50 |
| Balance, end of year | | $ 53,746.42 | | $ 52,384.05 |
| *Andhra Christian College Fund:* | | | | |
| Balance, beginning of year | | $ 263,968.27 | | $ 265,699.52 |
| Income received on investments | | 10,060.20 | | 6,899.63 |
| | | $ 274,028.47 | | $ 272,599.15 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| Deduct: | | | | |
| Income on investments transferred to general fund | $ 10,060.20 | | $ 6,899.63 | |
| Loss on sale of securities | .... | | 1,731.25 | |
| | | 10,060.20 | | 8,630.88 |
| Balance, end of year | | $ 263,968.27 | | $ 263,968.27 |
| *India Centennial Fund:* | | | | |
| Balance, beginning of year | | $ 24,444.59 | | $ 23,413.34 |
| Donations | $ .... | | $ 750.00 | |
| Income received on investments | 244.79 | | 281.25 | |
| | | 244.79 | | 1,031.25 |
| | | $ 24,689.38 | | $ 24,444.59 |
| Remitted to India | | 24,689.38 | | .... |
| Balance, end of year | | $ .... | | $ 24,444.59 |

SCHEDULE I

## Investments

*June 30, 1950*

*General Fund*

| Par Value | BONDS | Interest Rate | Maturity Date | Book Value | Market Value |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| $ 5,000. | United States Treasury Note, Series "A", dated 2/1/50 | 1¼% | 10/1/51 | $ 5,000.00 | $ 5,000.00 |
| 6,000. | United States Treasury Bonds, dated 6/1/45 | 2¼% | 6/15/59-62 | 6,000.00 | 6,061.88 |
| 77,000. | United States Treasury Bonds, dated 6/1/45 | 2¼% | 6/15/59-62 | 77,000.00 | 77,794.06 |
| 17,000. | United States Treasury Bonds, dated 6/1/45 | 2¼% | 6/15/59-62 | 17,000.00 | 17,175.31 |
| 40,000. | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | 8/1/55 | 40,000.00 | 38,320.00* |
| 30,000. | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | 1/1/56 | 30,000.00 | 28,650.00* |
| 50,000. | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | 6/1/56 | 50,000.00 | 47,750.00* |
| 500. | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | 6/1/56 | 500.00 | 477.50* |
| 50,000. | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | 2/1/57 | 50,000.00 | 47,450.00* |
| 100. | United States Savings, Series "F" | .... | 2/1/56 | 74.00 | 82.20* |
| 1,650. | United States Savings, Series "F" | .... | 11/1/57 | 1,221.00 | 1,296.90* |
| 25. | United States Savings, Series "F" | .... | 1/1/58 | 18.50 | 19.40* |
| 25. | United States Savings, Series "F" | .... | 2/1/58 | 18.50 | 19.40* |
| 3,000. | Missouri, Pacific Railroad Company, First and refunding mortgage, Series "A" | 5% | 2/1/65 | 2,253.75 | 2,910.00 |
|  | Total Bonds |  |  | $279,085.75 | $273,006.65 |
| Shares | STOCKS |  |  |  |  |
| 100 | Flintkote Company, common |  |  | $ 2,581.70 | $ 2,725.00 |
| 134 | United States Gypsum Company, common |  |  | 10,194.53 | 16,013.00 |
|  | Total Stocks |  |  | $ 12,776.23 | $ 18,738.00 |
|  | OTHER INVESTMENTS |  |  |  |  |
| $ 200. | The Whitneyville Volunteer Fire Department, Second mortgage | 5% | 7/1/47 | $ 200.00 | .... |
|  | Total Investments, general fund |  |  | $292,061.98 | $291,744.65 |

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* Redemption value

## *Trust Funds*

| Par Value | BONDS | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| $30,000. | United States Treasury Bonds, dated 11/15/45 | 2¼% | 12/15/59-62 | $ 30,398.46 | $ 30,365.63 |
| 16,000. | United States Treasury Bonds, dated 11/15/45 | 2½% | 12/15/67-72 | 16,000.00 | 16,175.00 |
| 60,000. | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | 3/1/55 | 60,000.00 | 57,660.00* |
| 10,000. | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | 2/1/56 | 10,000.00 | 9,550.00* |
| 25,000. | American Telephone and Telegraph Company, convertible debentures | 2¾% | 12/15/61 | 27,781.25 | 27,250.00 |
| 10,000. | Chicago and Western Indiana Railroad Company, consolidated mortgage | 4% | 7/1/52 | 9,900.93 | 10,200.00 |
| | Total Bonds | | | $154,080.64 | $151,200.63 |
| Shares | STOCKS | | | | |
| 100 | Gulf Oil Corporation, capital | | | $ 5,962.39 | $ 6,700.00 |
| 50 | Kansas Power and Light Company, common | | | 750.00 | 812.50 |
| 100 | Pennsylvania Railroad Company, capital | | | 2,244.94 | 1,500.00 |
| 100 | National Dairy Products Corporation, common | | | 3,200.88 | 3,975.00 |
| 200 | North American Company, common | | | 1,858.61 | 3,600.00 |
| 200 | Southern California Edison Company, convertible preferred, 4.56% | | | 5,273.13 | 6,000.00 |
| | Total Stocks | | | $ 19,289.95 | $ 22,587.50 |
| | OTHER INVESTMENTS | | | | |
| | Interest in Oil Royalty—F. W. Phillips Gas and Oil Company, Butler, Pennsylvania | | | $ 1.00 | $ 1.00 |
| | Total Investments, trust funds | | | $173,371.59 | $173,789.13 |

### *Annuity Fund*

| Par Value | BONDS | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| $ 5,000. | United States Treasury Bonds, dated 11/15/45 | 2½% | 12/15/67-72 | $ 5,000.00 | $ 5,054.69 |
| Shares | STOCKS | | | | |
| 100 | Commonwealth Edison Company, capital | | | $ 3,028.50 | $ 3,075.00 |
| 100 | General Electric Company, common | | | 4,242.00 | 4,537.50 |
| 100 | General Motors Corporation, common | | | 5,505.50 | 8,750.00 |
| 100 | Kennecott Copper Corporation | | | 3,628.50 | 5,500.00 |
| 200 | Montgomery Ward and Company, Incorporated, common | | | 6,970.11 | 10,800.00 |
| 100 | Standard Oil Company of Indiana, common | | | 4,060.09 | 4,750.00 |
| 123 | Texas Company, capital | | | 5,704.50 | 8,025.75 |
| 300 | Union Carbide and Carbon Corporation, capital | | | 9,272.00 | 13,575.00 |
| | Total Stocks | | | $ 42,411.20 | $ 59,013.25 |
| Annual Rent | GROUND RENTS | | | | |
| $ 96.00 | 4009 Oakford Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland | | | $ 1,600.00 | $ 1,600.00 |
| 96.00 | 3418 Piedmont Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland | | | 1,646.13 | 1,646.13 |
| 75.00 | 3029 Walbrook Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland | | | 1,250.00 | 1,250.00 |
| | Total ground rents | | | $ 4,496.13 | $ 4,496.13 |
| | Total investments, Annuity Fund | | | $ 51,907.33 | $ 68,564.07 |

### *Andhra Christian College Fund*

| Par Value | BONDS | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| $15,000. | United States Treasury Bonds, dated 6/1/45 | 2¼% | 6/15/59-62 | $ 15,421.88 | $ 15,154.69 |
| 20,000. | United States Treasury Bonds, dated 11/15/45 | 2¼% | 12/15/59-62 | 20,265.60 | 20,243.75 |
| 50,000. | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | 7/1/53 | 50,000.00 | 48,500.00* |
| 5,500. | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | 2/1/54 | 5,500.00 | 5,318.50* |
| 19,500. | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | 4/1/54 | 19,500.00 | 18,856.50* |
| 25,000. | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | 6/1/54 | 25,000.00 | 24,175.00* |
| 36,000. | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | 8/1/54 | 36,000.00 | 34,704.00* |
| 7,000. | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | 1/1/56 | 7,000.00 | 6,685.00* |
| 10,000. | United States Savings, Series "G" | 2½% | 1/1/62 | 10,000.00 | 10,000.00* |
| 10,000. | Pennsylvania Railroad Equipment Trust Certificates, Series "I" | 2¾% | 7/1/52 | 10,224.02 | 10,200.00 |
| | Total Bonds | | | $198,911.50 | $193,837.44 |

| Shares | STOCKS | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 120 | American Smelting and Refining Company, common | $ 4,875.18 | $ 6,165.00 |
| 120 | Cleveland Electric Illuminating, common | 4,322.34 | 5,070.00 |
| 428 | Dow Chemical Company, common | 16,523.84 | 26,803.50 |
| 250 | Houston Lighting and Power, common | 9,593.53 | 13,000.00 |
| 100 | Merck and Company, 2nd cumulative convertible preferred, 4% | 10,293.14 | 16,100.00 |
| 57 | Peoples Gas, Light and Coke Company, capital | 6,530.75 | 6,726.00 |
| 100 | Shell Oil Company, common | 2,819.50 | 4,125.00 |
| 108 | Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, capital | 6,372.28 | 7,830.00 |
| | Total Stocks | $ 61,330.56 | $ 85,819.50 |
| Annual Rent | GROUND RENTS | | |
| $ 90. | 1003 Rosedale Street, Baltimore, Maryland | $ 1,500.00 | $ 1,500.00 |
| 90. | 2815 Windsor Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland | 1,500.00 | 1,500.00 |
| | Total ground rents | $ 3,000.00 | $ 3,000.00 |
| | Total investments, Andhra Christian College Fund | $263,242.06 | $282,656.94 |
| | *India Centennial Fund* | | |
| | None | .... | .... |

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* Redemption value

## Accountant's Certificate

The Board of Foreign Missions
New York, New York

We have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of The Board of Foreign Missions of The United Lutheran Church in America for the years ended June 30, 1950 and June 30, 1949. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying balance sheets and statements of cash receipts and disbursements present fairly the financial position of the Board as at June 30, 1950 and June 30, 1949, and the results of its operations for the years then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding biennium.

TAIT, WELLER & BAKER
*Certified Public Accountants*

New York, New York
July 19, 1950

Dr. Wentz made reference to the increasing degree of autonomy had by our now "Affiliated Churches," to the increasing diversity of the work of the Board of Foreign Missions, and to the increasing degree with which other Lutheran bodies and several non-Lutheran Protestant bodies are co-operating with the Board of Foreign Missions.

Dr. Wentz presented the Rev. Luther A. Gotwald, executive secretary, who in turn presented Secretaries Fred J. Fiedler, Helen Shirk, Herman L. Gilbert, and Ernest Proffen, treasurer.

Dr. Fiedler emphasized the importance of our succeeding in the 1951 Epiphany appeal for the Phebe Hospital in Liberia, and urged education of children and youth in foreign missions, mentioning the worth of the *Foreign Missionary* as a supplemental source of missionary education for use by Sunday and weekday schools.

Miss Shirk expressed the Board's hope that when the present pressures are relieved in China the Church will find that the Christians of that great nation, as has been the case so frequently in Christian history, have preserved their faith through the years of oppression. Miss Shirk said that eight Lutheran bodies are co-operating increasingly in Japan, and estimated that by the end of this year about 100 Lutheran missionaries would be in service there.

Dr. Gilbert made a strong appeal for pastors and teachers for our Affiliated Churches in Argentina and British Guiana, and stressed the need for missionaries who go to their service having the spirit of co-workers. Dr. Gilbert thanked the Church for making it possible for the Board of Foreign Missions to increase the number and quality of the audio-visual and other facilities for promoting the foreign mission cause in the congregation.

Dr. Gotwald pointed out the necessary linkage between the slogan of this convention, "For Christian Leaders Tomorrow" and the strengthening of the schools of higher education in India. He called for recruits and the financial support needed to make possible sending them into the fields. Dr. Gotwald mentioned the help which has been available to the Board of Foreign Missions from Part II of the budget in the past biennium, and stressed that Part II had made it possible for the Board to meet highly important nonrecurring needs of the Affiliated Churches.

Dr. Wentz presented the recommendations of the Board, p. 901.

Recommendation 1 was adopted by the required two-thirds vote. It was a rising vote.

In connection with the adoption of recommendation number 1, the Rev. G. Morris Smith assured the convention of the Executive Board's concurrence in the proposed amendment to the constitution of the ULCA.

Recommendation 2 was adopted.

Recommendation 3 (a., b., c., and d.) was adopted.

Recommendation 4 was adopted.

Dr. Wentz moved the adoption of the report of the auditors, p. 917.

The report was adopted.

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The Rev. Harold H. Lentz gave notice of the following proposed amendment of the ULCA By-laws, Section V, paragraph (c), "Rules Governing Nominations," Item 5:

> "Moved to insert the words 'and any other vacancies' after the words 'elective agency vacancies,' and before the words 'to be filled.' "

The Rev. Ross F. Hidy gave notice of the following proposed amendment of the ULCA By-laws, Section V, paragraph (c), "Rules Governing Nominations," Item 5:

> "Moved to insert the words 'and also to geographical representation' between the words 'to the Secretary of the Church' and the words, 'having concern for.' "

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The time for the second period set aside for the Board of Deaconess Work having arrived, the president called upon the members of the Board to continue with the presentation of its report (p. 689ff).

The president recognized the Rev. Paul C. White, who made a motion to rescind the following motion which had been adopted at the Third Meeting, Second Session (p. 723).

> "Moved that action on this motion (to adopt the standards) be postponed until after action has been taken by the convention on the recommendation of the Board of Deaconess Work concerning the commissioning of women."

The motion to rescind was adopted.

The president declared that the following motion which was presented by the Rev. Harry F. Baughman to the convention at its Third Meeting, Second Session (p. 722), was the motion before the house:

> "Moved that the following standards jointly adopted by the Board of Education and the Board of Deaconess Work be accepted by the Church and approved as standards of education and training for women workers in the fields specified."

The president declared that the above motion placed before the house for consideration the matter of standards as stated in Sections III through VII, and that Sections I and II, VIII and IX were not specifically before the convention at this time.

After several delegates had spoken on the general issue of the validity of the standards proposed, and after several motions of reference and amendment of the text itself had been lost, the convention proceeded to the consideration of the standards seriatim.

The Rev. John H. Sardeson moved to amend III, 1. "Directors of Religious Education," b., as follows:

> "Moved to insert the word 'preferably' between the words 'professional training' and the words 'in a Lutheran school.' "

The motion was seconded.

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The Hour for the Special Order having arrived, President Fry addressed the convention in opposition to any diplomatic relationship between the United States of America and the Vatican. (See p. 982 for action on this statement.)

Recommendation 4 of the Committee of Reference and Counsel was read by the president, p. 877.

The motion to adopt prevailed.

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The hour of adjournment having arrived, the president called upon the chaplain to lead the convention in the closing prayer.

## SIXTH MEETING

### Second Session

KRNT Radio Theater, Des Moines, Iowa
Tuesday, October 10, 1950, 2:00 P.M.

The chaplain conducted the devotions.

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The chairman declared the third ballot for members of ULCA boards and agencies closed.

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## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINUTES

The Rev. Earl S. Erb, chairman, presented the report of the Committee on Minutes, and recommended adoption of the minutes for the Fifth Meeting, First and Second sessions.

In advance of offering the committee's recommendation, Chairman Erb called attention to words which were omitted from the motion of Mr. Carl Schulz, p. 872 of the Minutes. The complete and correct motion is as follows:

> "Strike the words 'who was on the pension roll prior to November 1, 1947' and inserting in lieu thereof the following words 'now on the pension roll.' "

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Dr. James C. Kinard, chairman, presented the following report of the Committee of Reference and Counsel:

## COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AND COUNSEL

1. The following telegram has been received from the 1950 convention of the American Lutheran Church:

Dr. Franklin Clark Fry
KRNT Radio Theater
Des Moines, Iowa

To the 1950 Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America: The American Lutheran Church gratefully acknowledges your greeting and sends fraternal and Christian greetings in return. We invoke the blessings of the Lord of the Church upon your convention and upon the entire work of the United Lutheran Church—E. J. Braulich, Secretary.

The Committee of Reference and Counsel recommends that The United Lutheran Church in America receive the foregoing telegram from the secretary of the American Lutheran Church with sincere appreciation.

2. We recommend that Secretary Reinartz be requested to convey to President J. A. Aasgaard of The Evangelical Lutheran Church the sincere thanks of the convention for his friendly greetings;

3. Since a number of delegates have requested it, we recommend that the convention ask those members of the Common Service Book Committee who are in attendance to hold, if at all possible, an open hearing in the front of the auditorium immediately upon the adjournment of this evening's session for the purpose of receiving suggestions for minor amendments.

4. We recommend as a Special Order that the convention suspend business 11:30-11:45 A.M. tomorrow in order to listen in on the NBC broadcast of an interview between President Franklin Clark Fry and Dr. Paul E. Scherer, provided that the business before the convention permits.

5. WHEREAS, The attainment of the over-all total goal of the Christian Higher Educational Year Appeal has been made possible by exceptional responses on the part of certain synods, and by the receipt of generous larger gifts specifically designated for certain institutions; and

WHEREAS, The full allocations to less than one-half of the institutions have been assured by the responses of their supporting synods; and

WHEREAS, In most of the synods congregations remain which have not yet met their fair share of this common responsibility; therefore

*Be it resolved,* That having heard with profound joy and with gratitude to God the report of the over-all Appeal result, but still realizing that in many congregations the goal has not yet been reached, because of the postponement of Appeal action or of only a partial response, the United Lutheran Church now earnestly calls upon each congregation which has not yet fully shared in the Appeal, to inaugurate and carry forward as promptly as possible such local procedures as will assure a complete congregational response, to the end that all of the institutions of the Church may receive the direly needed sums originally allocated, and that the joy of a total victory may be shared by each congregation and each synod throughout our Church; and, further,

*Be it resolved,* That the United Lutheran Church likewise earnestly calls upon each synod to continue its emphasis upon the Appeal, and through its synodical Christian Higher Education Year Appeal committee, with the assistance of the Directing Committee and the Headquarters Staff, to inaugurate and carry forward such further procedures, on the synodical, conference, and district levels, as will promote the full participation of all congregations within the synod.

Recommendations 1, 2 and 3 were adopted.

Recommendation 4—A motion to table Recommendation 4 prevailed.

Recommendation 5 was unanimously adopted.

Immediately following the vote on recommendation 5, the president recognized Treasurer Henry Beisler who announced to the convention the gratifying news that as of September 30, the cost of the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal was 7.2 per cent of the $6,000,000 goal. Dr. Beisler pointed out that assured results of $6,739,697 would reduce the cost of the Appeal to 6.4 per cent of that total.

At the request of the Rev. Earl S. Erb, Dr. Tulloss was given permission, by vote of the convention, to make a further statement concerning the Christian Higher Education Year response of the Kansas Synod.

Dr. Tulloss declared that whereas the response of the Kansas Synod had been announced to the convention previously as being 77 per cent of its quota, the response to date is 97 per cent of its quota.

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The president called for the report of the Special Commission on Relation to American Lutheran Church Bodies. The Rev. Oscar F. Blackwelder, member of the Commission, presented the report, and moved the recommendations.

## THE REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMISSION ON RELATIONS TO AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH BODIES

*(For action on the recommendations in this report, see p. 925)*

Your Commission has held two formal meetings in the past biennium for the consideration of the multiplying propositions for Lutheran union and unity which have made the last two years most significant in the history of the movement toward union. Your Commission, or parts thereof, have met on a number of occasions formally with joint commissions of other Lutheran bodies in the National Lutheran Council, and with officials or groups representing single Lutheran bodies, to confer upon organic union or steps leading thereto.

The biennium began with the invitation issued by the President of the Augustana Lutheran Church, under the authorization of his Executive Council and Convention, to the presidents of all the bodies constituting the National Lutheran Council, to appoint at least three delegates to meet as a committee for the purpose of considering "possible organic union of the participating bodies of the National Lutheran Council or a Federation as an intermediate step if necessary." This invitation being completely in harmony with the historic attitude of the United Lutheran Church and particularly with the spirit of the recommendations submitted by your Commission and adopted unanimously at the 1948 Philadelphia convention, the President of the Church and Chairman of the Commission, Dr. Fry, welcomed and accepted the invitation on our behalf.

This Committee of Thirty-Four on Lutheran Unity, as it thereafter has been popularly called, held the first of its meetings in Minneapolis, January 4, 1949. The meeting was noteworthy for the spirit manifested for closer affiliation of the National Lutheran Council bodies. The following actions were there unanimously adopted:

I. Resolved, that it is the sense of this group that a closer organizational affiliation of the participating bodies in the National Lutheran Council is desirable and should be sought by all proper means.

II. Resolved, that a committee of fifteen be appointed by the chairman in consultation with the general presidents to prepare a structural plan that will bring about such an organizational affiliation.

III. Resolved, that this committee hold a meeting next fall to receive the report of the subcommittee.

The Subcommittee of Fifteen, which included five of your Special Commission, met in Chicago, April 26 and 27, 1949, and prepared a preliminary sketch of procedure looking to a possible church union or federation, which was presented to the Committee of Thirty-Four at its second meeting in Chicago, September 27, 1949. The discussions in this meeting, already anticipated in earlier meetings, brought to the surface three different and distinct attitudes toward the total problem:

1. That organic union is possible and desirable now, "in this our day,"
2. That organic union is not possible now but that a step forward should be taken, by enlarging the powers of the National Lutheran Council into a federation,
3. That organic union is not only not possible now but that to enlarge the powers of the National Lutheran Council would not be desirable. (This third attitude seems related to the fact that organic union between some elements of the National Lutheran Council has already been projected and is actively progressing.)

The Committee of Thiry-Four at its meeting September 27 authorized a new Subcommittee of Sixteen, on which President Fry and Dr. Bagger represented the U.L.C.A., to make a second attempt to frame an acceptable pattern of organization or federation. This Subcommittee of Sixteen reported to the Committee of Thirty-Four at a final meeting held in Chicago, January 5, 1950. At this meeting the Committee of Thirty-Four adopted the following resolutions for presentation to the several American Lutheran general bodies there represented, as follows:

I. In the deep conviction that our definite objective should be the organic union of all American Lutheran general bodies in our Lutheran Church, be it

*Resolved,* That the Committee of Thirty-four requests the president of each participating body in the National Lutheran Council to submit, through proper channels, to the next convention of his body the following two questions:

A. Are you willing at this time to approve in principle complete organic union with other participating bodies in the National Lutheran Council?

B. Will you join in creating a joint ways and means committee to formulate a plan and to draw up a constitution for such a union?

II. Be it Further *Resolved:* That the Committee of Thirty-Four requests the president of each participating body in the National Lutheran Council to submit, through proper channels, to the next convention of his body the following question:

Do you approve in principle the transformation of the National Lutheran Council from a *common agency* to a *federation* under the following general plan:

A. Upon unanimous approval by the participating bodies, the National Lutheran Council shall become a federation, under the same name, following the procedure outlined in III-A. and B., below.

B. As a Federation the National Lutheran Council shall be autonomous and sovereign in conducting various fields of work for those general bodies which may transfer such activities to the final jurisdiction of the Council.

C. The powers of the National Lutheran Council as a federation shall be such as may be necessary or desirable for the accomplishment of its purposes and for doing its work effectively in the fields transferred to it, and shall be clearly defined in proposed amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws (Cf. III-A below).

D. Upon the assumption of the National Lutheran Council as a federation (see A above), the number of councilors shall be increased by providing that each member body shall be entitled to one councilor for every 50,000 confirmed members, or remaining fraction which is at least one third thereof, provided, however, that each general body shall be entitled to a minimum of two councilors (wherever feasible, each body should be represented by both lay and clerical councilors).

E. Upon the assumption of the National Lutheran Council as a federation, the Council shall arrange to hold a biennial conference to which representatives of all Lutheran general bodies shall be invited, each body being entitled to representation in the same proportion as the participating bodies of the Council. At this conference questions relevant to the contemporary life and mission of the Church, and questions relating to fuller Lutheran unity and eventual organic union shall be considered. (Cf. Constitution, Art. IV, Item j.)

III. *Resolved:*

A. That upon approval in principle by a majority of the participating bodies, the National Lutheran Council shall be requested to prepare (in accordance with Article XV of the Constitution) such amendments to its Constitution and By-Laws as may be necessary for the accomplishment of the purposes above stated, and to submit such amendments to each of the participating bodies for action at its 1952 convention.

B. In effecting the proposed transition, provision shall be made for the continuity of the current work-program of the National Lutheran Council, without loss of efficiency in the performance of its work as a common agency.

C. For adoption of said amendments, and for final approval of the Council's establishment as a federation, approval by all of the participating bodies shall be required.

Your Commission carefully considered this report at its meeting in New York, Tuesday, June 27. It calls the attention of the Church to the fact that the two questions which the report asks of the churches have both already been answered with a resounding "Yes" by the United Lutheran Church, most recently in the resolutions of the 1948 Philadelphia convention of the Church.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

1. In response to the request of the Committee of Thirty-Four, your Commission recommends that this convention of The United Lutheran Church in America give formal and earnest affirmative answers to both questions A and B in paragraph I of the report of the Committee of Thirty-Four. This is in simple and consistent harmony with the reiterated and ardent conviction of the United Lutheran Church that the Lutheran Bodies in America should now be united, for the greater glory of God and the more effective proclamation of the gospel to a troubled world. (Adopted, see p. 925)

2. Your Commission recommends that this convention also give answer in the affirmative to the question in paragraph II, approving in principle the transformation of the National Lutheran Council from a common agency to a federation—as an interim procedure looking to the consummation of organic union—under the plan in paragraphs A to E in part II. (Adopted, see p. 925)

3. Your Commission recommends that the United Lutheran Church concur in the procedure recommended in part III of the report of the Committee of Thirty-Four, providing for the effectuation of any of the preceding proposals that may be undertaken. (Adopted, see p. 925)

The Convention will be interested to note that at the time of the writing of this report—July 12, 1950—five of the eight bodies of the National Lutheran Council had already met and taken the following actions on the two proposals:

Augustana Lutheran Church — approved both.

United Evangelical Lutheran Church—approved merger, although stating "our present responsibility lies with the tripartite merger" (the proposal to unite the U.E.L.C., the E.L.C. and the A.L.C.) opposed federation.

Lutheran Free Church—opposed merger approved federation

Finnish Suomi Synod—opposed merger approved federation "if all N.L.C. bodies do likewise."

Evangelical Lutheran Church—opposed both.

Most of the negative actions were qualified by the phrase "at this time." The testimony of your Commission has been invariably and unanimously for organic union or whatever interim actions might be acceptable that would work toward that end. We believe it to be the will of God that the separate Lutheran bodies in this country shall ultimately unite, for a more effective proclamation of that gospel by which alone the world may be saved. We believe as warmly as ever in our position originally defined at the Savannah convention of 1934 and frequently reiterated,

> "in favor of union in this our own day on the basis of our common, official subscription to the historic Confessions of the Lutheran Church (especially the Unaltered Augsburg Confession and Luther's Small Catechism), in addition to which we will impose no tests of Lutheranism and beyond which we will submit to no tests of Lutheranism."

Encouraging progress has been made in the conversations between the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and the United Lutheran Church. At its convention at Greenville, Michigan, June 21-26, 1949, the boards and committees of that Church were encouraged to correspond with, and to study in detail the implications of affiliation with, the United Lutheran Church and its various boards and agencies. Your Commission has met with their similar committee in Chicago on January 5, 1949 in a profitable and promising session. The question of affiliation of the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church has been formally referred by them to their district meetings for discussion.

4. We recommend that the president of the Church be authorized to appoint a commission of eight members, of which he shall be chairman, to continue to strive for the goals reaffirmed in the above recommendations, and in all possible ways to promote the cause of Lutheran unity and union. (Adopted, see p. 925)

Respectfully submitted,
Franklin Clark Fry, *Chairman*
Henry H. Bagger
O. F. Blackwelder
James F. Henninger
J. K. Jensen
Edward Rinderknecht
R. E. Tulloss
Paul H. Krauss, *Secretary*

Recommendations 1, 2, 3 and 4 were adopted, pp. 924-925.

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The president called for the report of the National Lutheran Council, and recognized the Rev. Rees Edgar Tulloss, chairman of the ULCA Commission to the National Lutheran Council, for the presentation of the report.

## REPORT OF THE COMMISSION TO THE NATIONAL LUTHERAN COUNCIL

*(For actions, see p. 971 of this report)*

The National Lutheran Council began as an emergency organization. Conditions during the first world war demanded a unified approach to government by the Lutheran Church if proper care was to be given the thousands of Lutherans in military service. The National Lutheran Commission for Soldiers' and Sailors' Welfare was formed in October 1917, and proved highly successful in the spiritual care of military personnel and in raising funds. This experience of working together in the Commission led to the establishment in September 1918, of the National Lutheran

Council. Success in meeting postwar needs in Europe again proved the practicability of united American Lutheran effort. As world conditions steadied, the National Lutheran Council turned to more current problems such as welfare, student service, and publicity.

The second world war found the National Lutheran Council prepared for action. It won new respect from government and from sister Protestant churches. Through Lutheran World Action and the Lutheran World Federation it performed miracles of service throughout the whole world. "Orphaned" missions were saved from extinction or absorption into other communions, and brotherly aid was given the distressed Lutheran churches of Germany and of other war-torn nations. On our own continent co-operation was greatly increased in areas of service already on its program while joint missionary work was undertaken in industrial communities. Competition in Lutheran mission endeavors in America was largely ended.

For more than three decades two-thirds of American Lutherans have been learning that they can and ought to work together at their common tasks. Mutual confidence has been established. Many are now ready for closer organizational unity. However, some of the participating bodies are not prepared to go that far; until they are ready, those who hope for ultimate merger will serve their cause best by accepting each opportunity for enlarged co-operation in the National Lutheran Council.

The most significant action of the National Lutheran Council during the past biennium, aside from its program of service, is the adoption of a Long-Range Plan for Lutheran World Action, which provides for the gradual reduction of LWA budgets until 1954 when the continuing requirements for LWA objectives can be met through the regular budgets of the participating bodies of the National Lutheran Council.

The National Lutheran Council was not only begun as an emergency organization, its life has been marked by waves of sporadic activity induced by war emergencies. Now the transfer of emergency work to more permanent programs of activity is nearly completed. Our American Lutheran churches are no longer isolated from the continuing needs of a disillusioned and suffering world. The National Lutheran Council has drawn American Lutheranism together in order to lift the horizons of its vision to the uttermost parts of the world.

Your commissioners deeply appreciate the privilege of service in the National Lutheran Council and express once more their conviction that it is God's instrument for the unifying of his Church and for the more effective obedience to his Great Commission.

In response to the request of the participating bodies of the National Lutheran Council, the following Uniform Report has been prepared for submission to their conventions.

## Uniform Report
## of the National Lutheran Council
## Calendar Year 1949

### INTRODUCTION

In a sense, the National Lutheran Council is a symbol of the desire of Lutherans in America to work together. More than that, it is the actual nerve center of by far the greater part of Lutheran co-operation already achieved. If one can evaluate inter-Lutheran relationships by the increasing volume of work assigned to the Council, the trend toward common planning and cordial partnership is decidedly apparent.

Two special points are worthy of note:

1) In its capacity as the U.S.A. National Committee of the Lutheran World Federation, the Council is gradually assuming a position of recognized leadership in world Christian affairs, not only among Lutheran groups, but also in ecumenical circles. The continued success of Lutheran World Action appeals undergirds this role, which fact underscores the need for a long-range program for continued financial support of this important aspect of the Council's work.

2) The National Lutheran Council has proved itself not only as an effective agency of the participating bodies, but also as a

valuable asset. So fruitful has such co-operative action become in the work of the participating bodies that if the National Lutheran Council were to dissolve today, they would find it expedient to re-establish it tomorrow. Listed below are the kinds of dividends which give rise to this attitude:

—Financial savings as well as increased service through unified operations, such as in Student Service, in the Dept. for the Christian Approach to the Jews, and in service to military and V.A. chaplains.

—Greater effectiveness by the co-ordination of mission work to eliminate duplication and overlapping (and their accompanying friction).

—Constantly advancing standards of Lutheran welfare practice, through counseling with agencies and institutions across the nation.

—Steady growth of Lutheran impact upon national life, as our work is unfolded to public view through publicity channels, and as our leadership receives recognition as representing a common Lutheran front.

—World Christian leadership in such vital current operations as interchurch aid, orphaned mission support, and resettlement of DP's and refugees.

—(Last, but not least!) A steady development of understanding, respect, and brotherly affection between the members of the various participating bodies who are associated together in this joint program.

### ORGANIZATION

In response to this vote of confidence evidenced in the assignment of greater tasks, the National Lutheran Council continues to expand its organization in proportion to increased work. Office buildings have been acquired in New York, Washington, and Hong Kong. Major office space is held in Chicago, Geneva, Frankfurt, Jerusalem, not to mention the working quarters of several score staff members scattered over other portions of the globe. If one includes refugee workers serving on a part-time or maintenance basis, and orphaned mission leaders supported by Lutheran World Action funds, the total number of personnel working under the National Lutheran Council "umbrella" exceeds five hundred. Funds handled in 1949 were in excess of $4,300,000. At the same time budget procedures have been refined to permit sounder financing and to produce higher efficiency in operation.

### NEW HEADQUARTERS BUILDING

The purchase of the property at 50 Madison Ave., New York City, to be the future headquarters of the Council was a significant step in its life. During the 32 years of its history, office space has been rented at three different addresses. Current operations are directed from the fourth floor of the U.L.C.A. Church House at 231 Madison Ave. In addition, two large offices near by have been secured temporarily for the Resettlement program. The new building will not accommodate the resettlement operations, but will be adequate for the expanded permanent work of the Council.

It is expected that the new headquarters will be occupied in the fall of 1950. It provides about twice the floor space currently used, in addition to an excellent basement and a spacious attic for storage. It is conveniently located on Madison Square at 26th Street, close to transportation facilities and within walking distance of a number of interdenominational agencies and church offices in that area. The purchase price was $150,000., and is to be met by proportionate contributions from the participating bodies.

The Council's work as the U.S.A. National Committee of the Lutheran World Federation extends around the globe. Most international agencies with which we must keep in contact are located in New York, and nearly all representatives from abroad enter through this city. This makes the location of the N.L.C. headquarters both convenient and strategic in relation to its world-wide activities.

### CO-OPERATION WITH CANADIAN ACTIVITIES

The National Lutheran Council continues to maintain cordial and helpful relationships with Canadian groups of the participating bodies. Promotional assistance was given to Canadian Lutheran World Action, and financial grants were made toward the refugee resettlement program in that country. Our divisions render such consultative and field services as are requested and as budgets will allow. We look forward to a steady development of the Canadian National Committee of the Lutheran World Federation and to continued partnership with it.

### COUNCILLORS FOR 1949

*American Lutheran Church*

*Rev. Dr. Emmanuel Poppen
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*Rev. Dr. William G. Sodt
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Rev. Dr. Oscar A. Benson
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*Rev. Dr. J. A. Aasgaard
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*Rev. Dr. Alfred Haapanen

*Lutheran Free Church*

*Rev. Dr. T. O. Burntvedt

*United Evangelical Lutheran Church*

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*Rev. Dr. Rees Edgar Tulloss
*Rev. Dr. Armin George Weng
*Rev. Dr. Abdel Ross Wentz
Rev. Dr. Paul L. Wetzler

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*Executive Committee member

### OFFICERS

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Vice Pres.: Rev. Dr. Martin Anderson
Secy.: Rev. Dr. Armin Geo. Weng
Treas.: Mr. S. F. Telleen

### STAFF AND BUDGET

*Staff Secy.*

Exec. Director: Rev. Dr. Paul C. Empie
Asst. Exec. Dir.: Rev. Dr. Carl E. Lund-Quist

*General Administration Expenditure (1949)*
$49,553.21

### 1949 BUDGET RECEIPTS FROM PARTICIPATING BODIES

| *Church Body* | *1947 Conf. Membership* | *% Key* | *Share Paid for 1949* | *Share Paid C. A. J.* |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| U.L.C.A. | 1,296,739 | 48.37174 | $150,343.50 | $5,475.99 |
| E.L.C. | 514,964 | 19.20950 | 53,672.56 | 1,893.64 |
| A.L.C. | 454,688 | 16.96105 | 54,422.62 | 1,920.11 |
| Augustana | 309,712 | 11.55306 | 37,070.10 | 1,307.88 |
| Lutheran Free | 39,667 | 1.47968 | 2,490.83 | |
| United Evangelical | 28,744 | 1.07223 | 3,332.69 | 121.38 |
| Finnish Suomi | 21,776 | .81230 | 1,450.32 | |
| Danish Lutheran Church | 14,488 | .54044 | 1,672.92 | |
| | 2,680,778 | 100.00000 | $304,455.54 | $10,719.00* |

* Gifts supplemental to the regular budget were as follows: The United Lutheran Church in America, $5,600.00; Augustana Lutheran Church (1948 and 1949), $16,000.00; United Evangelical Lutheran Church, $964.58; Women's Missionary Federation of the American Lutheran Church, $1,322.81; and miscellaneous, $3,211.57.

## Part I

## Domestic Program of the National Lutheran Council

## A. DIVISION OF AMERICAN MISSIONS

### Division Committee

Dr. R. H. Gerberding (ULCA)
Dr. Philip S. Dybvig (ELC)
Dr. S. E. Engstrom (Aug)
Rev. Viggo Hansen (Dan)
Rev. K. M. Matthiesen (UELC)
Rev. Walter Kukkonen (FS)
Dr. R. D. Lechleitner (ALC)
Rev. J. T. Quanbeck (LFC)
Dr. Wm. C. Schaeffer, Jr. (ULCA)
Dr. Harold Yochum (ALC)

### Staff and Budget

| *Department* | *Staff Secretary* | *Regular Budget* | *Emergency Budget* | *Total* |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Administration & General Services | H. Conrad Hoyer, Ex. Sec.<br>E. W. Mueller, Asst. to Ex. Sec. | $26,620.23 | $16,425.91 | $43,046.14 |
| Temporary Communities | H. Conrad Hoyer | | 47,832.31 | 47,832.31 |
| Rural Church Life Program | E. W. Mueller | 7,511.73 | | 7,511.73 |
| Urban Church Strategy | C. P. Rasmussen | | 1,257.95 | 1,257.95 |
| Missouri Valley | A. M. Eidbo | | 4,946.63 | 4,946.63 |
| | | 34,131.96 | 70,462.80 | 104,594.76 |
| Mortgage Retirement and Cash Advances | | | 5,317.46 | 5,317.46 |
| | | $34,131.96 | $75,780.26 | $109,912.22 |

| | | *Regular Budget* | *Supplemental Budget* | *Total* |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Dept. for the Christian Approach to the Jewish People | Harold Floreen | $11,476.26 | $23,950.84 | $35,427.10 |

Through the Division of American Missions the churches of the National Lutheran Council plan and work together in the task of extending the Church to bring Christ to America.

The work in American Missions divides naturally into six principal parts: (1) general administrative program, (2) ministry in temporary communities, (3) rural church program, (4) urban church strategy, (5) the Department for the Christian Approach to the Jewish People, and (6) work in the Missouri Valley.

### Planning and Spacing

The general administrative program includes a multitude of general services which do not appear in a brief report. Very tangible evidence of this general work, however, is the co-operative home mission planning which is accomplished through the annual home mission conference, and through the work of 30 regional home mission committees, 120 mission fields were assigned to the different bodies in the Council during 1949, in such a way as to avoid overlapping with already established church work. Many more fields were reserved for further study.

### TEMPORARY COMMUNITIES CONTINUE

"American Missions Together" in the National Lutheran Council started with the emergency program in war industry communities. Although that work has been greatly curtailed, it continued during 1949 in seven cities: San Pedro and Richmond, California; Vancouver and North Richland, Washington; Baltimore, Maryland; Willow Run, Michigan; and Dayton, Ohio. Veterans and their families have replaced the war workers, and they continue to live in temporary communities because no other housing is available. Active Sunday schools, worship services, youth activities, and group meetings, serve hundreds of people every week in each one of those temporary communities.

### RURAL CHURCH ADVANCE

Pastors and other church leaders have been challenged with the problems and possibilities of the rural church through the work of Secretary E. W. Mueller. Special attention was given in 1949 to a study of duplication in rural areas and to the service possibilities of the church colleges to the rural churches and to the rural communities.

### URBAN CHURCH STRATEGY

Too little has been done in this field. A continuing study is being made concerning the changing city and its relation to the changing program of the Church. Help has been given congregations seeking to relocate in other areas. Large scale housing developments have been brought to the attention of the church mission boards which has resulted in the starting of mission congregations at the time the new communities were started.

### DEPARTMENT FOR THE CHRISTIAN APPROACH TO THE JEWISH PEOPLE

For too long, the Jews have been neglected in the Christian evangelization efforts. The Department emphasizes the importance of including the Jew together with all others in the evangelism program of our churches. It offers concrete help to the congregations which seek this help. Special programs for reaching the Jews are under way in Chicago, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, and Baltimore.

### MISSOURI VALLEY

A multi-billion dollar government program for harnessing the Missouri Valley calls for co-operative efforts of the Lutheran Church to serve the temporary construction communities, and to plan for the great social changes that can be expected as a result of this giant project. Special work is now under way in Pickstown, South Dakota, and Riverdale, North Dakota. One-fourth of the population in these construction communities is Lutheran, and their response to the emergency action of their Church in serving them has been encouraging.

## B. DIVISION OF PUBLIC RELATIONS

### DIVISION COMMITTEE

Rev. Dr. Victor E. Beck (Aug)
Rev. Dr. A. S. Burgess (ELC)
Dr. Randolph E. Haugan (ELC)
Mr. Eskild Hauglund (UELC)
Rev. Dr. H. F. Schuh (ALC)
Rev. Dr. Amos J. Traver (ULC)
Rev. Dr. L. Ralph Tabor (ULC)
Dr. Levering Tyson (ULC)
Dr. H. Torrey Walker (ULC)
Rev. N. C. Anderson (LFC)

### Staff and Budget Expenditures

| | Staff | | Budget | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Department* | *Secy.* | *Regular* | *LWA & LWF Serv.* | *Total* |
| Administrative | C. E. Lund-Quist (Exec. Secy.) | $4,750. | $1,750. | $6,500. |
| News Bureau | Erik Modean<br>Marjorie Teisberg | 23,220. | 7,625. | 30,845. |
| Dept. of Research and Statistics | Ruth Curby | 5,175. | 475. | 5,650. |
| Washington Secy. | R. E. Van Deusen | 6,898. | 1,200. | 8,098. |
| | | $40,043. | $11,050. | $51,093. |

The Division of Public Relations functions to present the Lutheran Church, its faith, its program, and its work to the people of America. It uses the media of mass communications to create better understanding of our Church and its message.

### Department of Public Information

*A. News Bureau*

The oldest activity of the Council is its services to the press of America. The wire services and metropolitan papers of the United States have given increasing attention to news of the Council and of its participating bodies.

Furnishing the church press with information on the global activities of Lutherans is of strategic importance. Editors of our church papers look upon this service as essential to their publications.

During 1949 the News Bureau issued 138 releases consisting of 38 feature articles and 471 news stories plus 89 pictures. The outlets for this expanding news service are: 63 Lutheran periodicals, 57 foreign publications, 31 non-Lutheran Protestant journals, 54 religion editors for daily newspapers, 4 news magazines, 3 wire services, 58 publicity centers. The News Bureau also supplies its material to the presidents of the participating bodies and to staff members of the Council here and abroad.

Leading magazines have given our Lutheran Church favorable publicity in 1949. Special articles on various phases of our work have appeared in the *Woman's Home Companian, Business Week, Look, Saturday Evening Post, Pathfinder, Newsweek*, and other publications.

Lutheran pastors in the Ohio area were invited to the second annual publicity workshop. Four requests from regions for similar projects are before the Division Committee at present.

*B. The National Lutheran*

*The National Lutheran* is the house organ for the Council sent to all pastors free upon their request, and also to subscribers. A new feature, favorably received, is the church news from the bodies and from various countries. The magazine, issued five times each year, informs the constituencies of the Council concerning its administration, the work of its divisions and commissions, Lutheran World Action, Lutheran World Federation, and general news.

### Department of Research and Statistics

Activities of the Department of Research and Statistics included the following:

1. Statistics:

Compilation and issuance of releases on: (*a*) parochial statistics of all Lutheran bodies in the United States and Canada; (*b*) statistics showing comparative enrollment in Lutheran four-year colleges and seminaries for 1946-47 and 1947-48; (*c*) statistical hand book for all Lutheran bodies.

2. Research:

(*a*) answering inquiries from students, pastors, agencies and others on a wide variety of subjects; (*b*) issuance of library releases on topics of interest to students of theology and trends in Lutheranism; (*c*) preparation of manuscripts for encyclopedias and general reference books.

3. General:

Cataloging new books; filing material of interest.

### WASHINGTON SECRETARY

This office rendered full-time service during 1949 to the Council and to the participating bodies with their boards and agencies. Since the Council has become the U.S.A. National Committee for the Lutheran World Federation this service has taken on added significance.

The Washington secretary attends conferences, contacts government officials, studies new developments, arranges for proper clearances, and represents the interests of our Lutheran churches. This office informs the church bodies and Council staff of trends and developments in the various branches of government.

A study is being made of the extent and nature of participation of Lutherans in the political life of America. The results of this study are being transmitted to the various bodies.

### RADIO

The Division of Public Relations co-operates with the Columbia "Church of the Air" in arranging for the eight Lutheran speakers on that series.

### SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

The itineraries of overseas guests of the Council have been planned by the Public Relations staff. During 1949 the following visitors were assisted:

Dr. S. C. Michelfelder
Pastor Ahti Auranen, Finland
Pastor Yrjo E. Jauhiainen, Finland
9 German religious leaders
Mr. Julius Weitmann, Germany

## C. DIVISION OF STUDENT SERVICE

### DIVISION COMMITTEE

Rev. O. V. Anderson (Aug)
Dr. Oscar Benson (Aug)
Dr. John L. Deaton (ULC)
Rev. Ervin F. Bondo (UELC)
Dr. Helene Hartung (ULC)
Dr. J. Knudsen (DU)
Dr. J. C. K. Preus (ELC)
Dr. Hermann W. Siefkes (ALC)
Dr. Armin G. Weng (ULC)
Dr. Gould Wickey (ULC)

### STAFF AND BUDGET

| *Department* | *Staff Secy.* | *Regular* | *Budget* *Emerg. & Spec.* | *Total* |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Administrative | Morris Wee (Exec. Secy.)<br>Ruth Wick (Exec. Asst.) | $36,591.55 | | |
| Service & Promotion | | 13,227.56 | | |
| Field Service | | 22,456.96 | 398.66 | |
| Grants-in-Aid | | 83,207.09 | 28,340.17 | |
| | | 155,483.16 | 28,738.83 | $184,221.99 |
| Student Center Fund | | | 343,785.00 | 343,785.00 |
| American Lutheran Church Compensatory Payment | | | 5,000.00 | 5,000.00 |
| Special Scholarship Fund | | | 380.00 | 380.00 |
| | | | | $533,386.99 |

### INTRODUCTION

Student service is evangelism. It seeks to bring the gospel of Jesus Christ into the university and college world so that, in God's power, the student may be won and held for Christ and the Church in order that he may witness as a Christian to every man and in every area of life.

The emphases of student service are five-fold:

1. To relate the student to his own church and establish him in a consistent worship discipline.

2. To bring him close to God's Word

through regular Bible study and reading.

3. To keep him informed in respect to the confessions and life of the Lutheran Church.

4. To relate him to real life situations by establishing work and service projects and thus remove him in some degree from the typical university balcony approach to life.

5. To assist in building a rewarding fellowship on local, regional, and national levels.

In the school year 1949-50 the keynote of student service is "The Church and Evangelism" with the special theme, "That Men May Know Christ."

### A CHANGE IN STUDENTS AND ENROLLMENTS

The emerging student generation is becoming a normal one, which is to say that with the ebb of veteran enrollments, the undergraduate student is younger and less experienced. This will probably mean a return of typical student irresponsibility and even iconoclasm. Certainly the new crop of students is less sober-minded and more immature.

The student population remains at a high level with a decided shift from the undergraduate to the graduate schools. All graduate departments, including theological schools, will experience increased student bodies for another two or three years while the undergraduate departments, including the junior and four year liberal arts colleges, will notice a gradual and, in some instances, sharp decline. Most schools will find a postwar enrollment level of perhaps 165 percent of the prewar level. For student service this means that the emergency is over but that there will be no return to the prewar student numbers. It also places upon student service an added responsibility for the graduate student.

### LITERATURE

Two study booklets were issued in 1949, *The Lord's Prayer,* written by Dr. John W. Doberstein, Mt. Airy Seminary and *The Church and the Means of Grace,* prepared by Dr. Eric H. Wahlstrom, Augustana Seminary. Supporting materials in the areas of stewardship, vocations, home missions, foreign missions, the auxiliaries of the Church, foreign students, cell groups and Bible study were issued in quantities up to 40,000 each. Lutheran Student Association literature was also sent out by the Division. The new LSAA monthly journal *The Campus Lutheran* was prepared and distributed in co-operation with the Lutheran Student Association of America.

### FOREIGN STUDENTS

The startling sharp increase since 1945 of foreign students has resulted in a special service to Lutherans among them under the direction of the Eastern Regional Secretary. It is our conviction that in no small measure the future foreign missionary enterprise of the Christian Church is being shaped on American campuses today.

### WORK CAMPS

Three study-work projects in co-operation with the Lutheran World Federation were held in Germany during the summer of 1949. The Division of Student Service had responsibility for overall planning of the program of study in the projects, selection, and briefing of American students, and the selection of Scandinavian, French, and Dutch students.

The projects were held at Marionkirche, Lubock (Restoration project), Herzogsagemuhle, Bavaria (Building of rubble church), Neckarzimmern (Restoration of a Youth Project). 17 American students participated in the projects, paying their own transportation and incidental expenses. Living costs while on the projects were financed by Lutheran World Action. European students who participated came from Germany, France, Holland, Norway, Finland, Denmark, the Baltic countries (DP's).

American students (and also European students) have given enthusiastic reports of the spiritual value of the projects in their personal lives and of the growth in understanding, sympathy, and Christian love between all members of the group.

They have been available for speaking engagements on Lutheran World Action this fall. Three of the students remained in Europe to work with the Lutheran World Federation in the service to refugees in Germany. One group of students has secured assurances for every DP student in their project and in some cases for their families as well.

### DISPLACED PERSONS (STUDENTS)

Co-operating with the Resettlement Service, the Division has widely publicized the need for assurances for students. Student groups have responded to this appeal by raising the necessary funds within the group or by securing individual sponsors for some students. In some cases they have been able to secure scholarships or remission of tuition. By the latest report, 59 students had been promised assurances. Of these over 24 have already arrived and have begun their studies.

### ADOPTION OF GERMAN STUDENT GROUPS

Seventeen German University Student Christian groups have been adopted by 20 groups in this country. Correspondence has been initiated between members of the groups and the student pastors. Food and clothing have been sent to the German students. Packages sent to the *Studentengemeinde* of the University of Berlin enabled them to keep their soup kitchen open during the summer months and also during the fall term.

### GRADUATE-FACULTY SEMINARS

In anticipation of an increased responsibility on the graduate level, the following graduate-faculty seminars were established in 1949: Pennsylvania State College—Rural Sociology; Iowa State College—The Task of a Christian in the University; University of Minnesota—Medicine.

During the school year 1949-50 the following groups have been or are being initiated: New York City, Pittsburgh, University of Wisconsin, University of Minnesota, University of Michigan, Iowa State College, Pennsylvania State College, Chicago, University of Texas.

### STUDENT CENTERS

To provide a base of operations for student work in selected communities, the Council has authorized the purchase or building of twenty-six student centers. The participating bodies of the Council are providing more than $800,000 for this program. Student centers either started, completed, or purchased in 1949 are: Chicago, Illinois; Ames, Iowa; Iowa City, Iowa; Cambridge, Massachusetts; St. Paul, Minnesota; Fargo, North Dakota; Columbus, Ohio; Eugene, Oregon; State College, Pennsylvania; Clemson, South Carolina; Seattle, Washington; and Madison, Wisconsin.

This ministry, carried on by fifty-two full-time workers and nearly four hundred part-time workers, is responsible in large measure for the development and strength of a great American Lutheran student movement which is presently making an evangelical impact on the American campus and in ecumenical student life.

## D. DIVISION OF WELFARE

### DIVISION COMMITTEE

Rev. Magnus Dahlen (ELC)
Rev. Martin Olson (LFC)
Rev. H. Irving Petersen (UELC)
Dr. Carl Reuss (ALC)
Rev. Francis A. Shearer (ULC)
Mr. Harold Hegstrom (Aug)
Mrs. C. W. Baker, Jr. (ULC)

### STAFF AND BUDGET EXPENDITURES

| *Services* | *Staff* | *Budget Expenditures* | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Administration | C. E. Krumbholz | $14,607.11 | |
| Field Services (Surveys & Consultation) | C. Cox, Ross Pond<br>L. Zahn | 18,109.16 | |
| Recruiting & Placement | C. Holtermann | 5,205.45 | |
| Institutional Chaplaincy | C. Plack | 11,650.80 | |
| Devotional Literature (VA) | | 3,878.49 | |
| Chaplaincy Salaries | | 3,960.00 | |
| | | | $57,411.01 |

### INTRODUCTION

Significant developments in the Division's work may be listed as follows: (1) growing awareness of need for more adequate services under trained leadership; (2) integration of all Lutheran welfare services by status and areas; (3) closer relationships between the welfare agencies and institutions and the official church bodies; (4) development of higher standards of performance.

### CONSULTATION SERVICE

The Division of Welfare is consultative in character. Service was given in 1949 to agencies and institutions in 24 states. Programs were studied, areas of need surveyed, counsel given regarding new buildings, expansion of work, staff changes, budgets, public relations, relationships to church bodies, and co-ordination of programs with other Lutheran and community service agencies.

State Welfare Lutheran Councils have been established in eight states and metropolitan areas in order to unify the program of Lutheran Welfare.

### CHAPLAINCY SERVICES

This is a growing field of activity. Lutheran contact pastors now serve 136 Veterans Hospitals and Homes with 12,095 beds. 38 Lutherans are full-time chaplains in Veterans Hospitals where an estimated 70,000 Lutheran patients are served.

Our consultant in Chaplaincy Service has surveyed areas and assisted in making available spiritual service for Lutherans in mental and general hospitals and in penal institutions.

The possibility of establishing training centers for chaplaincy services is being explored on an all-Lutheran basis. Close co-operation with the Veterans Administration Chaplaincy Service is maintained. The Lutheran Church is a recognized leader in a ministry to institutionalized people.

### RECRUITMENT AND PLACEMENT OF WORKERS

A vigorous effort is made to recruit adequate workers for the social mission programs of the church bodies. Counsel is given to students and correspondence is maintained with Lutheran personnel in social work. Recruiting in colleges, seminaries, Bible camps and training schools is a part of the program of the Division. Institutes in welfare work in seminaries are being planned.

Lutheran Nurses Guilds in all parts of the country are being organized in co-operation with the National Lutheran Nurses Guild. Through this effort 4,000 Lutheran nurses are served, to keep them close to the Church and to help them in their Christian ministry to the sick.

### REPRESENTING LUTHERAN WELFARE

The Division has a responsibility to represent the interests of Lutheran Welfare before governmental and national voluntary agencies. We have a significant contribution to make as a Church. Lutheran leadership is increasingly recognized in their circles.

We are represented in the Mid-Century White House Conference for Children and Youth, in national organizations for service to older people, and in various conferences in other fields of social work.

The Lutheran Welfare Conference, which brings together for mutual consultation and inspiration all Lutheran welfare workers, is affiliated with the Division. The Lutheran Hospital Association has developed under the leadership of the Division. Social legislation which concerns the Church is carefully studied. A Committee on Social Trends functions under the Division.

The Lutheran Resettlement program is closely associated with the Division of Welfare since it is a social, spiritual ministry to new immigrants who are our brethren. The welfare agencies and institutions of our country are playing a leading role in this important program. The resettlement of displaced orphaned children has been effected through Lutheran child placing agencies which co-operate with the Division and its child welfare consultant.

## E. THE BUREAU OF SERVICE TO MILITARY PERSONNEL

### Bureau Committee

Rev. Dr. Martin Anderson (ELC)
Rev. Dr. R. E. Tulloss (ULC)
Rev. Dr. P. O. Bersell (Aug)

### Staff and Budget

***Staff***

Gynther Storaasli
Executive Secretary

| ***Budget Expenditures*** | |
|---|---|
| Administration | $7,046.77 |
| Office & Maintenance | 3,196.22 |
| Literature | 5,386.69 |
| Field Service | 1,128.08 |
| | $16,757.76 |

The Bureau of Service operates under the supervision of the Executive Director of the National Lutheran Council. Its primary duties and functions are related exclusively to developing and maintaining an efficient and effective National Lutheran Council Chaplaincy in all branches of the Armed Forces and their components (Regular, Officers Reserve Corps, and National Guard).

### The Bureau's Relationship With the Offices of the Chiefs of Chaplains

Relationships with the offices of the three Chiefs of Chaplains have been most cordial and helpful. Published changes in military regulations, directives, procedures, and policies as they effect the procurement, training, and operation programs of chaplains are made available to the Bureau.

### The Bureau's Relationship With the General Church Bodies

As the agency of the NLC to supervise a developing program of spiritual ministry for the men and women of our Church in the Armed Forces, the Bureau transmits to the church bodies the Chiefs of Chaplains procurement programs; serves as a clearing agency for the indorsement of chaplains; assumes responsibility for the Lutheran quota coverage; keeps church bodies informed on major changes in service regulations and policies affecting chaplains; and forwards to the indorsing agencies of the general church bodies copies of the chaplains reports of their monthly activities.

### The Bureau's Relationship With the Chaplains on Active Duty Status

To meet its duty obligations to the chaplains on active duty status, the Bureau maintains contact with them through the medium of monthly reports, correspondence, official visits, conferences, and news bulletins.

To enable the chaplains to carry on an increasingly effective spiritual ministry, the Bureau makes available to all its chaplains selected religious tracts and pamphlets for free distribution. This ministry of the printed word is becoming increasingly popular with the chaplains; during the period January-October 1949, 253,216 pieces of literature were requested.

### The Bureau's Relationship With Other Service-Connected Indorsing Agencies

Mutually helpful and consultative relationships are maintained with all other indorsing agencies( Protestant, Roman Catholic, Jewish) primarily interested in the Military Chaplaincy. These relationships are limited to those problem areas which are common to all agencies.

### Gleanings From Chaplains' Monthly Reports

In the period covered by these reports between January-October 1949, National Lutheran Council chaplains conducted a total of 6,495 religious services with a reported total attendance of 429,545. The total number of Communion guests reported for this period was 29,954. The chaplains conducted 3,274 Sunday school and Bible class sessions with a reported attendance of 99,785. They made 10,448 visits to hospitals and contacted 160,796 patients, held 73,352 personal interviews, and took care of 6,534 relief cases.

### OBSERVATIONS ON THE MILITARY CHAPLAINCY

Never in the history of our nation has the Military Chaplaincy stood so high in the estimation of our military leaders as it does today: never before has there been so great an emphasis upon the strictly spiritual phase of the chaplain's ministry; never before has so great an emphasis been placed upon the spiritual development of the individual serviceman: and, lastly, never before has the training program for chaplains been of so high order, nor chaplains been so well equipped with materials to enable them to perform their tasks efficiently and effectively as is the case today.

### CURRENT CHAPLAIN PERSONNEL STRENGTH

*(as of Dec. 1, 1949)*

The current chaplain strength in all three branches of the Armed Forces and their components is 511.

*Army*

| | |
|---|---|
| Regular | 8 |
| ORC-Extended Active Duty | 34 |
| ORC-Not Active | 189 |
| National Guard | 17 |

*Air Forces*

| | |
|---|---|
| Regular | 7 |
| ORC-Extended Active Duty | 12 |
| ORC-Not Active | 22 |
| Air National Guard | 0 |

*Navy*

| | |
|---|---|
| Regular | 36 |
| ORC-Extended Active Duty | 3 |
| ORC-Not Active | 183 |

### CHURCH AFFILIATION OF CHAPLAINS ON ACTIVE DUTY STATUS

| | |
|---|---|
| United Lutheran Church | 73 |
| American Lutheran Church | 20 |
| Evangelical Lutheran Church | 3 |
| Augustana Lutheran Church | 2 |
| Finnish Suomi Synod | 1 |
| Lutheran Brethren | 1 |

## F. LUTHERAN WORLD ACTION

Lutheran World Action receipts in the U. S. and Canada during 1949 totaled $4,013,675.85. This was slightly short of the combined goals for the two countries, but nevertheless represented a noteworthy accomplishment.

Furthermore, it brought to completion a ten-year record of LWA appeals in which a grand total of $25,218,848.07 was realized. Added to this should be the cash value of Lutheran World Relief contributions in the form of clothing, food, medicines, etc. amounting to $11,135,186.00. Thus, the results of a decade of action, largely in behalf of war-afflicted people and churches overseas, reach the impressive figure of $36,354,034.07! For this we give thanks to God—not smugly, for it should have been much higher; but humbly, grateful that so many have been blessed by these efforts.

The Executive Director of the National Lutheran Council supervised the appeal, assisted by Promotional Secretary Rollin Shaffer, and two field representatives—Pastors Frank Brown and Heinrich Falk. Much additional assistance was given by staff secretaries of the Council, and by officials and staff members of the participating bodies. Nearly 800 pastors served locally as synodical or group directors on a voluntary basis. To them sincere recognition and appreciation is due.

An LWA Advisory Committee, made up of the Church directors of the eight participating bodies, continued to give valuable and loyal support. The following members served during 1949:

Rev. Frank M. Brown (ULC)
Rev. Dr. A. J. Bergsaker (ELC)
Rev. G. P. Krebs (ALC)
Rev. T. A. Krueger (ALC)
Rev. Dr. S. E. Engstrom (Aug)
Rev. Dr. T. O. Burntvedt (LFC)
Rev. Dr. N. C. Carlsen (UELC)
Rev. Alfred Jensen (Dan)
Rev. Dr. Alvar Rautalahti (FS)
replaced in latter part of year by
Rev. Carl Tamminen (FS)

The importance of Lutheran World Action to the participating bodies is highlighted when we think of the work supported by it, described elsewhere in this report. Without it, the program of the National Lutheran Council as the U.S.A. National Committee, LWF, would diminish to the vanishing point; the Orphaned Missions would suffer irreparable losses, and the major portion of Protestant DP's eligible to come to this country would be doomed to remain in miserable circumstances. The strength of the Lutheran World Federation itself depends partly upon the continued success of LWA.

The final results of the 1949 ingathering were as follows:

| *Church Body* | *Goal* | *U. S. A. Receipts* | *%* | *Canada Receipts* | *Total* |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| U.L.C.A. | $1,950,058.70 | $1,803,669.94 | 92.4 | $58,132.53 | $1,861,802.47 |
| E.L.C. | 749,116.44 | 799,116.44 | 106.6 | 14,712.42 | 813,828.86 |
| A.L.C. | 685,194.42 | 689,337.65 | 100.6 | 11,742.51 | 701,080.16 |
| Aug. L.C. | 457,731.60 | 458,208.99 | 100.1 | 3,585.99 | 461,794.98 |
| L.F.C. | 59,776.41 | 59,796.51 | 100.0 | 667.43 | 60,463.94 |
| U.E.L.C. | 43,474.17 | 42,088.28 | 96.7 | 1,388.25 | 43,476.53 |
| F.S. | 32,815.47 | 27,045.00 | 82.4 | | 27,045.00 |
| Dan. L.C. | 21,832.79 | 19,309.50 | 88.4 | | 19,309.50 |
| Undes. | | 24,874.41 | | | 24,874.41 |
| | $4,000,000.00 | $3,923,446.72 | 98.0 | $90,229.13 | $4,013,675.85 |

## FOOTNOTE TO PART I

This report covers activities of the Council during the calendar year of 1949. Therefore, it contains no mention of developments and decisions at the annual meeting held in Minneapolis, Minn. January 31-February 3, 1950. The following items of general interest are noted here:

### Officers for 1950

President: Rev. Dr. L. M. Stavig
Vice-Pres.: Rev. Dr. Oscar A. Benson
Secy.: Rev. Dr. A. G. Weng
Treas.: Mr. S. F. Telleen

### Long-Range Plan for LWA

It was voted to recommend to the participating bodies that LWA goals be decreased gradually until 1954, at which time it is proposed to finance LWA from church budgets as a permanent activity. A detailed summary of this plan is being submitted at all 1950 church conventions.

### Co-operative Work in Negro Missions

The Division of American Missions was authorized to initiate a program of Negro missions in behalf of those church bodies which desire to carry on this work as a joint operation.

# Part II

## Emergency and Overseas Work of the National Lutheran Council

## A. LUTHERAN RESETTLEMENT SERVICE

*Supervisory Committee*

Dr. T. F. Gullixson, Chairman (ELC)
Mrs. Charles Baker, Jr. (ULC)
Dr. Oscar A. Benson (Aug)
Mr. Norman Finch (ALC)
Dr. F. Eppling Reinartz (ULC)
Mr. S. Frederick Telleen (ULC)

*Supervisory Staff*

Dr. Paul C. Empie, Exec. Dir.
Dr. C. E. Krumbholz, Div. of Welfare
Miss Cordelia Cox, Resettlement Exec.
Miss June Anderson, Social Services
Mr. Peter Elstad, Pier Services
Miss Jessamine Fenner, Assurances and Professional Placements
Miss Mary Winston, Orphaned Children
Mr. F. J. Book-Bordy, Office Manager

*Budget Expenditures*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Administration | | $194,880.75 |
| Salaries | $120,811.02 | |
| Office | 55,598.56 | |
| Travel | 18,471.17 | |
| Field Service | | 112,288.41 |
| Salaries | 59,874.81 | |
| Office | 40,715.61 | |
| Travel | 11,697.99 | |
| Publicity & Literature | | 11,142.00 |
| Loans for Transportation & Initial Expenses | | 313,232.40 |
| Care of Orphaned Children (Travel & Maintenance) | | 37,09030 |
| Emergency Aid | | 21,459.42 |
| Spiritual Ministry | | 5,000.00 |
| Co-operative Services | | 1,606.75 |
| | | $696,700.03 |

### FUNCTION

The Lutheran Resettlement Service was organized in October 1948 when by the decision of the Executive Committee of the National Lutheran Council, a program was entered upon to assist Lutheran displaced persons to enter the United States under the terms of Public Law 774.

Its functions are to secure assurances for jobs and housing for displaced persons and forward them to the Service to Refugees staff of the Lutheran World Federation; to serve as the central contact office between sponsors and LWF staff in negotiations during the selection and processing of displaced persons; to receive and send to their destinations the displaced persons on their arrival in the United States, and to offer consultation and service in the adjustment of displaced persons in the United States. Thirty-six state and area Lutheran Resettlement Committees carry local and area responsibilty in the program.

### CURRENT STATUS

As of December 28, 1949, Lutheran Resettlement Service had received and sent to Europe 17,000 assurances for displaced persons. As of the same date, 10,430 displaced persons had arrived in the United States under the sponsorship of the National Lutheran Council. Problems of difficult placements and slow movement of displaced persons have hampered resettlement operations. However, a high degree of successful resettlement has been achieved, considering the magnitude and complexity of the operation.

### ORPHANED DP CHILDREN

A program to resettle orphaned DP children antedated the resettlement operation for families. A total of 228 such Lutheran children are being cared for in the United States, placed in foster homes through 17 Lutheran child care agencies. 56 per cent of these children are in the teen-age group. The costs include maintenance until free foster homes are found, inland transportation, medical care and clothing when necessary, and very occasionally assistance in education for exceptional children. Sixteen of the children have been legally adopted, ten are in Lutheran colleges and an equal number are in the armed forces of the U. S. The service is supervised by Miss Mary E.

Winston under the direction of the Division of Welfare.

### SPIRITUAL CARE

This is naturally a major concern of the program. Lutheran pastors and congregations have wholeheartedly received displaced persons into their Christian fellowship.

More than 30 displaced Lutheran pastors have been brought to this country, and about 40 others have arrived on nonpastoral assurances. The Division of American Missions has been commissioned to find service opportunities for these pastors within the participating church bodies. Some are being used to conduct occasional linguistic services. Others prepare devotional literature in the respective languages, part of which is mailed to resettled DP's. Still others are being trained for pastoral work in American congregations.

### THE FUTURE

Approximately one-third of the displaced persons covered by current assurances arrived in the United States during 1949. The remainder should come during 1950. The first ten months of 1950 should witness the height of the resettlement program. Towards the last of the year, a diminution of activity is expected.

The National Lutheran Council has approved tentatively a budget of $1,459,577.00 for the year 1950. Approximately 50 per cent of this budget will be spent for inland transportation, much of which will be repaid by displaced persons as they become established in the United States. The program is subject to review, in the light of provisions of new legislation which will probably be adopted in 1950.

## B. COMMISSION ON YOUNGER CHURCHES AND ORPHANED MISSIONS

### COMMISSION COMMITTEE

Rev. Dr. P. O. Bersell (Aug)
Rev. Dr. Franklin Clark Fry (ULC)
Rev. Joseph M. Girtz (UELC)
Rev. Dr. M. A. Helland (LFC)
Rev. Dr. Hermann W. Siefkes (ALC)
Rev. Dr. L. M. Stavig (ELC)
Rev. Dr. Abdel Ross Wentz (ULC)

### STAFF AND BUDGET EXPENDITURES

| *Country* | *Staff Secretary* | *Budget Expenditures* |
|---|---|---|
| USA—Administrative | F. A. Schiotz (Executive Secy.) | $ 18,502.07 |
| Africa | | |
| South Africa | | 39,510.62 |
| Southwest Africa | | 17,640.00 |
| Tanganyika | George N. Anderson | 147,549.75 |
| India | J. Roy Strock | 59,950.35 |
| Indonesia | D. R. Williams | 24,866.74 |
| New Guinea | John Kuder | 151,108.36 |
| Palestine | Edwin Moll | 109,882.76 |
| China | Arthur S. Olsen | 199,175.45 |
| Miscellaneous | | 2,344.56 |
| | | $770,530.66 |

The financial assistance reflected in the budget expenditures set forth above ranges from supplementary appropriations and emergency single grants to full responsibility for whatever work may be done on an orphaned mission field. No money is voted until a complete budget has been submitted for study. In most instances we have opportunity to use observations made by people known to us who are on the field under study. A perusal of the list of fields, societies, and churches which follows, provides an impression of the scope of this LWA outreach:

A. *Africa*
  Southwest Africa: Finnish Mission Society
  South Africa: Berlin Mission Society, Hermannsburg Mission Society
  East Africa: Berlin Mission Society, Bethel Mission Society, Leipzig Mission Society

B. *Borneo*
  Chinese Hakka Church

C. *China*
  Berlin Mission Society, Basel Mission Society, Finnish Mission Society, Hildesheim Schools for Blind Girls, Rhenish Mission Society, Schleswig-Holstein Mission Society, Shekki School for Blind Women

D. *India*
  Gossner Evangelical Lutheran Church, Leipzig Mission Society, Schleswig-Holstein Mission Society

E. *Indonesia*
  Batak Christian Protestant Church

F. *Japan*
  The Gospel Association of Finland

G. *New Guinea*
  Neudendettelsau Mission Society

H. *Palestine*
  Syrian Orphanage, Rhine-Westphalian Deaconess Society, Jerusalem Institution, Jerusalem Society, Carmel Mission, Order of St. John

In recapitulation, the above list indicates there are sixteen German societies, two Finnish societies, and three autonomous younger churches receiving help. One society receives help on fields in three countries, and two societies receive help on fields in two countries. Geographically, the mission fields are distributed in ten different countries.

The possibility of German societies assuming the responsibility for their fields is still remote. At the annual meeting of the German Evangelical Missionary Council at Hermannsburg, Germany last July this question was subjected to earnest debate. Reports revealed that the currency reform of July 1948 is still being felt in drastically reduced income. Some societies incurred deficits for their domestic work without any money being set aside for the foreign work. Societies with heavy constituencies in the eastern zone face the prospect that there may be little or no resumption in the flow of gifts from their friends. Despite these dark anticipations, the GEMC insisted that a beginning *must* be made in re-assuming the load that the National Lutheran Council and other members in the LWF are carrying for them. And so it was agreed that every society would be assessed 5 per cent of its income to be put aside in a special fund awaiting the day when German money can again be used outside of Germany.

The past year witnessed the achievement of an agreement with the Tanganyika Government of East Africa, which, when consummated, will transfer title to churches, schools, hospitals, and lands of the Berlin, Bethel, and Leipzig societies to the National Lutheran Council. It is likely that a transfer of cash in the approximate amount of $300,000 will also be made. Since the government refuses to return the properties to the German societies, the National Lutheran Council is called upon to act as a trustee.

Similar property interests continue to require the attention of our representatives in Palestine and Indonesia.

1949 saw a peak year in the service of the China missionary plane, the "St. Paul." Rescue flights were flown in danger zones to evacuate missionaries of any denomination requiring help. All flights were on a self-supporting basis. The original cost of the "St. Paul" has been fully repaid.

In addition to the direct help reflected in the budget, a sizeable help has been provided Scandinavian mission societies through exchange of money. Since some of their mission fields are in dollar areas, British sterling would take a heavy discount, causing losses from 20 per cent to 30 per cent. And so we buy their pounds and use them in sterling countries, and we give them our dollars in exchange. We lose nothing, and their work gets real help.

In 1949 such exchange help was given to five societies in Denmark, Norway, and Sweden, totaling $225,491.20. Concerning this help one Norwegian mission director said recently: "It is wonderful what we can accomplish when our talk of co-operation is actually redeemed in deeds."

We wish it were possible for every donor to LWA to visit the fields to see what is being accomplished. One well known missionary leader, Dr. Frank Laubach, who visited the Neuendettelsau field in New Guinea last year, came back to say:

> "I leave New Guinea convinced that here is the most wonderful open field for the Gospel of Jesus Christ on this planet, and that there is not another field where people are lifted from such depths to such heights with so little opposition. One cannot do much for people who already think they are important or god. But here in the most backward land of the whole world they know they are behind and their desire to receive the Gospel is pathetic. It must wring the heart of Christ. It must make His heart sing, when anybody does something for the least of those His brethren and ours. I didn't want to go. I wanted to stay and help those 'fuzzy wuzzy' people. They hugged me until one suit will never be clean again from pig grease, and I thank God for those hugs. Be proud of your wonderful missionaries and be proud of those bronze Lutherans who are coming up from cannibalism because first the Lutherans of Germany and now the Lutherans of America and Australia have enough of the love of Jesus Christ to hear their call."

### INTRODUCTION

The establishment of the European Desk has greatly facilitated the ongoing relationship with the Geneva office of the U.S.A. National Committee of the Lutheran World Federation, and with the churches in Europe. A steady flow of reports from the reconstruction committees of Lutheran churches in Europe, direct and through the office of Dr. S. C. Michelfelder in Geneva, together with many requests for clarifications on details related to the implementation of projects have been given prompt attention.

Changing needs and new problems have required fresh interpretations and adjustments within the program in order to assure the highest degree of effectiveness of Lutheran World Action funds in the work of spiritual reconstruction abroad. All recommendations for the use of reconstruction funds and supplies received from abroad through our Geneva Office were carefully analyzed by the U.S.A. National Committee of the L.W.F. or the Administrative Committee before action was taken. The year 1949 brought about significant changes in the economic conditions of most countries in Europe. Physical relief and material aid had to be concentrated upon specific areas of suffering among the aged, the homeless, the diseased, and the uncared-for and unprotected children and young people. The emphasis of spiritual reconstruction has been directed toward the Christian instruction of the youth and towards strengthening the respective churches in those areas where changing conditions necessitated adjusted approaches and services.

In general, the year 1949 will be noted as a year in which our efforts in the direction of spiritual reconstruction, in co-operation with European churches, has reached unprecedented heights of effectiveness.

### GENEVA OFFICE

During the past year our Geneva office, under the supervision of Dr. S. C. Michelfelder, has become more firmly es-

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## C. U.S.A. NATIONAL COMMITTEE, L.W.F.

Program directed by the National Lutheran Council Executive Committee. (For membership, see page 347.)

### ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

Rev. Dr. P. O. Bersell, chairman (Aug)
Rev. Dr. J. A. Aasgaard (ELC)
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Rev. Dr. William G. Sodt (ALC)
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### STAFF

Executive Director
Rev. Dr. Paul C. Empie
Desk on European Affairs
Rev. John A. Scherzer
European Commissioner—Geneva
Rev. Dr. S. C. Michelfelder

tablished in organization and operation. This is in contrast to the gradual demobilization of many activities of the Reconstruction Department of the World Council of Churches.

Dr. Stewart W. Herman, in charge of the Department of Service to Refugees, was able to expand his program. This service now co-ordinates all activities in behalf of displaced persons and Volksdeutsche refugees and provides assistance to emigrants from both categories who are being resettled in many countries, including the United States. Close working relationships are maintained with the I.R.O., with government officials in the countries involved, and with ecclesiastical leaders in Germany, Austria and other lands.

Rev. M. O. Dietrich continues to act as liaison representative to the German churches and co-ordinates the program of spiritual reconstruction between Hilfswerk and the German National Committee of the L.W.F. Dr. J. Igor Bella, who served as special representative to Czechoslovakia until the beginning of November 1949, when he was expelled from the country by the Czechoslovakian government, is now attached to the Geneva office. He has been assigned the task of supervising our activities in spiritual reconstruction in all European countries apart from Germany.

Dr. Paul M. Lindberg continues adequately the fine leadership which was given formerly by Dr. Howard Hong in the program of Spiritual Ministry to DPs and Refugees. Dr. David L. Ostergren returned to his post in England where he represents the U.S.A. National Committee of the L.W.F., under the jurisdiction of Dr. Stewart Herman in the program of Service to Refugees in England, carried on in cooperation with the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

Miss Henriette Lund, on leave from the Division of Welfare of the National Lutheran Council, has developed an effective program of Service to Refugees in Austria with headquarters at Salzburg.

In all our widely scattered activities in spiritual reconstruction, God has significantly and bountifully blessed our efforts, and our limited resources have produced results far out of proportion to the investment.

### AID TO EUROPEAN COUNTRIES

*(Figures indicate total grants remitted in 1949)*

1. *Austria* ($67,394.48)—The Church in Austria is still suffering from the effects of a suddenly enforced independence. The State is progressively withdrawing its financial support during a period when economic conditions make it difficult for the Church to develop her own resources. Our funds have made it possible to supplement the meager salaries of pastors and to render assistance to institutions for the care of the crippled, blind, sick and children. Lutheran World Relief has supplemented our work in Austria with material aid shipments of clothing and food valued at $120,011.

2. *Czechoslovakia* ($109,000.00)—On November 1, the new church law, passed by the House of Deputies in Prague, went into effect. The new law makes the Church entirely dependent upon the State and places all property as well as the office of every pastor and church official under State control. It remains to be seen what effect this new law will have upon the program of interchurch aid. The funds forwarded have been used to publish a new church hymnal, to support the institutional program of the Church and religious education of children, to provide material aid for pastors and theological students, and pensions for aged pastors, pastors' widows and orphans. Lutheran World Relief increased the program of support to the Czechoslovakian Church by material aid shipments valued at $22,003.00.

3. *England* ($33,354.43)—Dr. David L. Ostergren, our representative in England, has developed and sustained an effective program of spiritual service to the 40,000 refugees and DPs in England. This total number of Lutherans is made up of groups coming from seven or eight different national backgrounds, increasing greatly the problem of providing pastors who are equipped to cope with the language difficulties.

4. *Finland* ($136,403.86)—The funds for-

warded are a part of the original allocation for Finland of one million dollars. The Finnish churches are matching our funds with amounts in excess of our gifts and are manifesting a vigorous church life. Nineteen churches are planned; most of them are near completion. Nineteen parsonages are newly completed. Eighteen high schools, in strategic locations, are beginning to serve large numbers of Lutheran young people. Four Deaconess institutes are being constructed to meet the need for health and social services. Lutheran World Relief shipments to Finland provided additional help to the needy through the institutional channels of the Church in the amount of $41,669.00.

5. *France* ($46,465.00)—Our aid to the Lutheran churches in France has made it possible for this minority Church to carry on an expanding program and has challenged it to mobilize its spiritual resources. A movement to unite the scattered Lutheran groups in France is under way. A joint committee of the Reformed and Lutheran churches serving scattered Lutheran refugees and volunteer contract laborers, has received from our funds the amount of $17,000 annually. Since the beginning of 1950, this activity was merged with the Lutheran World Federation Service to Refugees under Dr. Stewart Herman.

6. *Germany* ($1,673,506.81)—In the distribution of our funds to the various categories of projects, due care is being taken by the joint planning committee, consisting of representatives from the Evangelisches Hilfswerk and the German National Committee of the Lutheran World Federation, to give aid in the most critical areas of need. The plight of the churches in the East Zone is of primary concern in all planning. The program of spiritual reconstruction in Germany was augmented by Lutheran World Relief, Inc. through material relief shipments valued at $2,653,600.

7. *Hungary*—No financial or material aid has been forwarded to the Church in Hungary since the unjust arrest and trial of Bishop Ordass in the fall of 1948. The present church leaders in Hungary, who have the sanction of the government, have made overtures for the re-establishment of relationships with our Geneva office and the U.S.A. National Committee of the Lutheran World Federation. Thus far, the conferences have produced no satisfactory solution for a basis on which co-operation could be re-established.

8. *Italy* ($9,596.76)—The Lutheran Church of Italy was organized in the summer of 1949 and voted to apply for membership in the Lutheran World Federation. The Executive Committee of the Lutheran World Federation, meeting at Oxford in July 1949, received the Lutheran Church of Italy into full membership. Our financial aid gives support to 13 local congregations and missions, and assistance for the repair of church buildings.

9. *Norway* ($508,506.43)—The reconstruction program of churches and church-related projects has not progressed as rapidly as desired, partially due to the lack of building materials. The first effort was to provide church boats in various areas along the coast in order to reach fishing villages which were inaccessible by land. Four church boats were furnished and are in operation. Of the 11 churches which were planned, two have been completed and dedicated, five are near completion and the remaining four are expected to be begun in the spring of 1950. A total of 14 parsonages are planned, of which one has been completed, six are near completion and seven are expected to be built in 1950. In addition to these, 22 other structures were contemplated, such as schools, small hospitals and institutions, of which 11 have been completed, seven are nearly completed, and four are expected to be started in the spring of 1950.

10. *Poland* ($140,776.65)—The reconstruction program in Poland has continued at a fairly progressive pace and no difficulties have been experienced in the course of the past year. Our aid has been employed in such a manner as to give equitable assistance to all departments of church and church-related activities. This financial aid was supplemented by material aid shipments through Lutheran World Relief at a total value of $66,990.

11. *Switzerland* ($5,323.53)—This sum has been expended with the approval of the

U.S.A. National Committee at the recommendation of Dr. S. C. Michelfelder, to assist the scattered Lutheran groups in Switzerland to develop a more positive and organized church life.

12. *South America* ($3,471.81) — This amount has been expended to assist the Lutheran churches in South America to re-establish contacts with each other and with the office of the Lutheran World Federation in Geneva. Travel funds were given to President Karle for a conference in Geneva with Dr. Michelfelder and Dr. Stewart Herman, to discuss possibilities of receiving refugees for resettlement in South American countries and to plan for their spiritual care.

13. *Yugoslavia* ($9,456.04)—Contacts with the 150,000 Lutherans in Yugoslavia have grown substantially during 1949. Apparently the Church enjoys a fair degree of freedom to do her work. Our program of aid has been directed toward enabling pastors and church workers to function more efficiently, to assist pensioned pastors, widows and orphans.

14. *Other Countries* ($3,000.00)—Support in this amount was granted the German congregation in Shanghai, China, chiefly for its educational work, at the request of the Commission on Younger Churches and Orphaned Missions. Dr. Fredrik Schiotz, upon his return from China, reported that services were continuing every Sunday in German, English, and Chinese. A Lutheran school, operated in connection with this congregation, continued to provide training for approximately 80 children.

### CONCLUSION

As we view in retrospect the program of spiritual reconstruction in co-operation with churches abroad, it becomes quite evident and even obvious that in each instance where the U.S.A. National Committee acted to provide help, our aid was a major factor in the difference between success and failure. It is also evident that the contributors to Lutheran World Action in the many congregations of the churches co-operating in the National Lutheran Council have projected themselves as Christians into this program of building the kingdom of Christ in a most effective manner; that Christ has been glorified through his servants taking their places as Christian soldiers in far-flung battlegrounds where is waged the war between the Kingdom of Light and the Kingdom of Darkness; that both benefactor and beneficiary have been greatly enriched and strengthened in their faith by this process.

The generally increasing attitude of weariness, which is becoming more and more noticeable in both the giving and the receiving churches, needs to be recognized as a dangerous threat to the kingdom of our Lord here on earth. The inescapable conviction that Christ is seeking to lead his Church out of the ruins of this world to final victory must continue to dominate our thoughts and deeds. This is the goal of Lutheran World Action at home and abroad.

## D. LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF, INC.

Although Lutheran World Relief is a separately organized and incorporated agency, it has been adopted by the National Lutheran Council as its operating arm in the field of physical relief. Therefore it receives a substantial annual allocation from Lutheran World Action receipts. The Board membership is as follows:

Rev. Dr. Franklin Clark Fry (Pres.)
Rev. Dr. C. E. Krumbholz (Secy.)
Mr. S. Frederick Telleen (Treas.)
Rev. Dr. Paul C. Empie
Mr. Michael F. Markel

Mr. Bernard A. Confer and Mr. Carl F. Lorey serve as Administrative Secretary and Assistant Administrative Secretary, respectively.

### HELP SENT

During 1949, shipments totaled:

| *Commodity* | *Value* | *Weight* |
|---|---|---|
| Clothing ...... | 3,051,276 lbs. | $1,946,089. |
| Food ........... | 8,111,373 " | 749,734. |
| Miscellaneous .. | 316,294 " | 257,068. |
| | 11,478,943 lbs. | $2,952.891. |

Since the inception of the program, food, clothing, medical supplies, and self-help materials weighing 33,301,406 lbs. and valued at $11,135,186. have been shipped into nineteen countries.

### CLOTHING

The appeal for used clothing, bedding, and shoes has been on a year-round basis, with the main warehouse located at North 13th Street and Bushkill Drive, Easton, Pennsylvania. During the first half of 1949 a decline in receipts was noticed. The Thanksgiving Clothing Appeal provided a challenge to the pastors and the congregations that was met by an enthusiastic response all over the nation, and which drove the totals for 1949 higher than those for the previous year.

An important factor in the success of the Thanksgiving Appeal was special support given by the presidents of the general bodies, the Lutheran Student Association of America, the Division of Student Service, and the Lutheran Church press.

### FOOD

The appeal for foodstuffs is made co-operatively with Church World Service and the National Catholic Rural Life Conference through the Christian Rural Overseas Program. Operations of CROP are covered by an agreement providing for equality in partnership and for administration by a three-man cabinet. Mr. Clifford E. Dahlin is the LWR cabinet member and offices are at 308 West Washington Street, Chicago 6, Illinois.

CROP appeals for farm products and livestock. Most gifts in kind are shipped "as is." Livestock, milk, eggs, etc., are exchanged for processed commodities. Through CROP Lutheran World Relief has received wheat, flour, relief cereal, soya beans, soya bean oil, pea beans, rice, macaroni, meat, lard, evaporated milk, powdered milk, nuts, honey, corn syrup, and cotton.

During 1949 CROP allocations to Lutheran World Relief have totaled 6,683,420 lbs. valued at $538,575. This makes a grand total received, starting in December 1947, of 14,195,858 lbs. valued at $1,038,098.

CROP promotion is generally on a state-by-state basis. In 1949 rural people in 34 states actively participated. State Lutheran committees, members of which are appointed by their church, synodical or district heads, assist in the organization of the state CROP programs. Lutherans serve on state and county committees, which include representatives of farm organizations as well as church representatives.

### SPECIAL PROJECTS

Of a number of special projects which have been recommended, the making of layettes and of Kiddies Kits have found greatest acceptance. A large number of church ladies have spent many hours in making layettes, and during the year sent 2,062 to the warehouse, bringing the grand total shipped to date to 9,592. The making of Kiddies Kits was a project adopted in many Sunday schools and 19,189 were sent during 1949 making a grand total shipped to date of 39,196.

### PURCHASING

Out of the limited funds available, a number of substantial purchases were made to supplement the contributions in kind and to take advantage of bargain offerings. LWR also serves as the purchasing and shipping agency for the USA National Committee of the Lutheran World Federation in its projects of rehabilitation and reconstruction.

### OVERSEAS REPRESENTATIVES

LWR staff members in Germany are Reverend Carl F. Yaeger, Mr. Earl K. Rogers and Reverend John H. Deutschlander. Reverend John F. Bauchmann completed one year of service in October. In addition, in a number of countries the services of representatives of the USA National Committee, LWF, and of the Commission on Younger Churches and Orphaned Missions are utilized.

### PROPOSED CO-OPERATIVE WORK IN LATIN AMERICA

Discussion of the need for co-operative work in Latin America on the part of the participating bodies of the National Lutheran Council was initiated by the following formal resolution adopted by the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church at its January 1950 meeting (minutes, page 610):

"Since the accepted procedures of the

National Lutheran Council require that a formal proposal for the establishment of a new division must be received in writing from one or more of the participating bodies of this Council, the Committee on Inter-Lutheran Interests *Recommends* that this Executive Board, in the name of The United Lutheran Church in America formally propose to the National Lutheran Council at its 1950 annual meeting the establishment under an appropriate name of a new division of the Council:

"1) for interchurch aid to Lutheran churches in South America,

"2) for the establishment or strengthening of congregations to serve Lutheran immigrants into Mexico, Central America and the Spanish and Portuguese-speaking portions of South America, and

"3) for mission work among the indigenous populations in the same nations and areas. ADOPTED"

In order to prepare the commissioners of the participating bodies for intelligent action on this resolution the following memo was sent by the executive secretary of the National Lutheran Council to the presidents of the participating bodies in advance of the 1950 meeting of the Council.

"January 12, 1950

"At the January 6 meeting of the Executive Committee of the National Lutheran Council, careful attention was given to Lutheran activities in Latin America. The discussion revealed several weighty reasons why it might be profitable for the National Lutheran Council to formulate a new constructive plan of action looking toward the founding or the strengthening of Lutheran churches in that strategic area of the world, towards which North American Christians have a clear responsibility.

"Several factors must sharpen our concern:

"1. Through the aid of Lutheran World Action and otherwise, thousands of Lutherans are settling in Latin American countries. Unless pastoral and congregational care is provided, most of them will disappear from the ranks of the faith, lost to secularism or absorbed by a decadent Roman Catholic Church.

"2. As a result of the severance of their ties with Germany during the war and of a new heightened impulse toward autonomy since 1945, immigrant churches of a Lutheran character in Latin America are achieving independence of their mother churches and are becoming more conscious that their destinies lie in the countries in which they are situated. *At this particular time,* questions affecting their allegiance to the Lutheran confessions and their relationship to the Lutheran World Federation are being determined.

"3. Roman Catholic countermeasures to Protestant activities in Latin America have increased the difficulties of Lutheran evangelization in some areas there. Isolated mission operations lack the protection which would result from a united front.

"The Council's Executive Committee felt certain that *timing is of supreme importance in this matter.* If our participating bodies are to make a concerted and constructive impact upon these problems, definite steps should not be long delayed. Such steps might include:

"—united action to strengthen established congregations or to organize new ones in important centers in Latin American countries where Lutherans now live or in which they are arriving.

"—a constructive combination of spiritual care to immigrating Lutheran DPs and refugees with mission activities among the native-born population, with the intent of establishing indigenous Lutheran churches in each country concerned.

"—the sending of a commissioner to Latin America to study the needs of the Lutheran churches and missions already established there and if possible nuclei for future Lutheran congregations there with a view to encouraging closer ties with us and with the Lutheran World Federation. The activities of such a commissioner might lead to the formation of a Latin American Lutheran Council, called and organized with our financial aid, composed of churches affiliated with the Lutheran World Federation.

"—the provision of necessary funds for

all of these operations through proportionate contributions from the participating bodies. Certain phases of this work, principally centering around resettlement of DPs and refugees could be legitimately supported by L.W.A. funds for a few years.

"Obviously such a significant venture would by necessity be co-operative and would involve the pooling of resources.

"The Executive Committee of the N.L.C. recognizes that here is an area where the formation of a new division of the Council might bring immense blessings to the future of Lutheranism in America. The Executive Committee therefore instructed the Executive Director to poll the presidents on the following questions:

*"Would your church body be interested in participating in a Division on Latin America of the N.L.C., to accomplish the aims listed above, upon presentation of an acceptable plan for the administration and financing of such work?*

*"Does your church body at present have mission work in Latin America? If so, is there a probability that your church body will be willing to transfer such mission work to the supervision of such a division?*

"Since time is vital, it would be desirable to place this matter before the N.L.C. at its annual meeting. There is a possibility that the Executive Board of the U.L.C.A. might present a petition along this line, if it were asured of a sympathetic response. Therefore, we urge that you contact immediately the proper boards, officials, or individuals to whom you will turn in this matter, so that your reply will be in our office not later than *January 23*. For your convenience a supply of copies of this letter is enclosed for distribution as you deem wise."

### ACTION OF THE NATIONAL LUTHERAN COUNCIL

After extended discussion, which indicated that at least one of the participating bodies was not willing at this time to transfer its missions to a Division of the Council, the following resolution was adopted:

*"Resolved:* That the National Lutheran Council express its interest in the formation of a Commission on Latin America, and request the participating bodies to act on approval in principle in the establishment of such a commission in accordance with a general outline of its character and functions submitted in connection with this inquiry.

*"Voted:* That the Executive Committee be instructed to prepare and submit along with this proposal, detailed information in regard to the functioning of such a commission in order that proper action may be taken at the church conventions.

*"Voted:* That a communication be sent to The United Lutheran Church in America informing that body that the Council does not see fit to initiate action at this session to set up the Division for which it has asked, but that it has initiated action which it expects will enable it in due time to give a definite answer, affirmative or negative to the proposal of The United Lutheran Church in America."

### ACTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE NLC

Discussion of this subject at the March 1950 meeting of the Executive Committee of the NLC revealed a continuing desire that the way be left open for establishing a Division on Latin America rather than a Commission on Latin America. After reviewing the three actions taken by the NLC at its annual meeting in Minneapolis, the NLC Executive Committee commented and acted as follows:

"The third of these actions implies that the first and second actions concerning a Commission on Latin America will eventuate in a definite answer to the proposal of the United Lutheran Church concerning a Division on Latin America. For this reason it seems probable that the participating bodies, in considering the principle of establishing a Commission, will raise questions not only concerning the necessity of their acting on the establishment of a Commission but also concerning the eventual establishment of a Division if a Commission is established at this time.

"Further consideration of this matter by the Executive Committee has made it appear desirable that the participating bodies should consider as soon as possible the advisability of establishing a Division rather than a Commission on Latin America.

"The Executive Committee, therefore, in carrying out its instructions from the Council in the second action cited above, suggests to the participating bodies that, if they see fit, they consider in principle the establishing by the Council of either a Commission or a Division on Latin America.

"*Voted:* II. That, in order that the participating bodies may have at hand information which will help them in their consideration of establishing either a Commission or a Division,

1. The Executive Committee appoint a special committee with instruction to:
   a) Prepare 'detailed information in regard to the functioning of such a Commission,' and similar detailed information in regard to functioning of a Division, together with a plan of operation of each and the probable budget of each.
   b) Submit this information to the participating bodies 'in order that proper action may be taken at the Church conventions.'
2. During 1950, the special committee shall consist of the members of the Commission on Younger Churches and Orphaned Missions with the President of the Council as chairman."

On April 28, 1950, the report of the special committee was sent to the presidents of the participating bodies as follows:

### Report of the Special Committee Appointed to Draw up Details of Operation of a Division on Lutheran Co-operation in Latin America

The National Lutheran Council, at its 1950 annual meeting, voted to ask the participating bodies to act on approval in principle in regard to the establishment of a Commission on Latin America. A description of the work of such a Commission was left in the hands of the Executive Committee.

In discussing this subject, the Executive Committee came to the conclusion that it is not feasible to consider a Commission on Latin America apart from the likelihood that a permanent program would develop, which, according to the procedures of the National Lutheran Council, would call for the establishment of a *Division.* A special committee was appointed to prepare detailed information in regard to the functioning of a *Commission and also of a Division* on Latin America, including a plan of operation and an illustrative budget for each. The following material is submitted in fulfillment of the Executive Committee's instructions.

This operation involves a number of different kinds of work, and requires careful study. It would include in its scope existing mission work; spiritual care of new and often scattered Lutheran settlers in areas where no Lutheran churches exist, resulting sometimes in the organization of congregations; working relationships with existing independent Lutheran churches in connection with the above activities; and the development of a common confessional consciousness among all Lutherans in Latin America. (The term "Latin America" is defined as including Mexico, Central America, and the Spanish and Portuguese-speaking countries of South America. It should be mentioned that at the Council's last annual meeting, the American Lutheran Church and the Augustana Lutheran Church expressed an interest in joint work in Mexico.)

In organizing such a co-operative work the Council would take the following steps: (1) Each general body would be invited to participate in a Division on Lutheran Co-operation in Latin America and to express its willingness to accept its proportionate share of a core budget. (2) Those general bodies now doing mission work in Latin America would be invited to transfer such activities to the Division, including the operation of such transferred work and its financial support.

It would be understood that the work of the Division would not extend into countries in which any participating body of the National Lutheran Council conducts work which it does not choose to transfer to this Division.

Much of the initial efforts of the Division would be spent in exploration of the field, and in studying the proper approaches and techniques for what would be pioneer work in many sections. A number of "pilot projects" may be called for, especially in regard to work among scattered Lutheran groups and the native population in the same area.

What benefits could be expected from such an all-Lutheran approach in Latin America? In so new and complicated a situation, it is impossible to predict with certainty. Among others might be:

1. Preservation to the faith of several thousand Lutheran settlers in isolated areas.
2. Increased strength for churches and missions now in existence.
3. Organization of new congregations in important centers as nuclei for expanded future work.
4. Development of common literature and leadership training.
5. Provision of an agency for new joint work by bodies interested but unable to finance separate work.
6. Development of a greater Lutheran consciousness and sense of mission in existing churches in Latin America.
7. A united front of all co-operating Lutheran groups in matters involving public relations.

### Outline and Budget for the Operation of a Commission on Lutheran Co-operation in Latin America

*(A Temporary Program)*

*Functions:*

1. To contact indigenous, independent churches regarding
   a) Reception and care of Lutheran DPs
   b) Co-operation in general mission activities
   c) Organization and relationship to the Lutheran World Federation.
2. To conduct direct operations for care of DPs in isolated or nonchurched areas.
3. To survey fields to discover Lutheran groups among which mission work is desirable.

*Budget:*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Administration: | | |
| Field Secretary | $6,000.00 | |
| Office Expense | 3,500.00 | |
| | | $ 9,500.00 |
| Operations: | | |
| Travel | 2,500.00 | |
| Meetings and Conferences | 1,500.00 | |
| Literature | 1,000.00 | |
| Surveys | 1,500.00 | |
| *DP Services | 4,000.00 | |
| | | 10,500.00 |
| Total | | $20,000.00 |

### Outline and Budget for the Operation of a "Division on Lutheran Co-operation in Latin America"

*Functions:*

1. To receive and administer on a co-operative basis such existing mission work in Latin America as the participating bodies transfer to the National Lutheran Council.
2. To conduct such additional joint mission operations as may be financed by the participating bodies.
3. To conduct direct operations for care of new Lutheran settlers in isolated or nonchurched areas.
4. To contact indigenous, independent churches regarding
   a) Reception and care of Lutheran DPs
   b) Co-operation in general mission activities
   c) Organization and relationship to the Lutheran World Federation.

*Budget:*

| | |
|---|---|
| Core: | |
| New York Office | $10,000.00 |
| Committee Expense | 1,500.00 |
| Field Secretary Office | 10,000.00 |
| Travel | 2,500.00 |
| Literature | 2,500.00 |

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* Plus funds from Dr. Herman's budget.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Surveys | 2,500.00 | |
| Conferences | 1,500.00 | |
| *DP Spiritual Care | 20,000.00 | |
| | | $50,500.00 |

*Field Operation Budget:*

From $150,000.00 up, according to the amount of existing work transferred to the division, and new work authorized.

To be accepted and financed by participating bodies above core budget contributions.

Participating bodies now expend the following sums for their existing work:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Argentina (ULCA) | $78,110.00 | |
| Colombia (ELC and UELC) | 51,673.00 | |
| Mexico (ALC) | 20,000.00 | |
| | | $149,783.00 |
| Total | | $149,783.00 |

Participating bodies would contribute to core budget on basis of confirmed membership.

If $20,500. should be the portion of the core budget above not chargeable to LWA funds, the following shares would be assigned to the participating bodies (based upon co-operation of all eight bodies):

| | |
|---|---|
| United Lutheran Church in America | $9,826.07 |
| Evangelical Lutheran Church | 4,044.05 |
| American Lutheran Church | 3,501.34 |
| Augustana Lutheran Church | 2,347.43 |
| Lutheran Free Church | 296.89 |
| United Evangelical Lutheran Church | 218.88 |
| Finnish Suomi Synod | 162.06 |
| Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church | 103.28 |
| | $20,500.00 |

### Long Range Plans for LWA

At the 1950 meeting in Minneapolis earnest and intensive thought was devoted to the future course of Lutheran World Action beyond 1951. The report of Executive Director Empie urged impressively on the National Lutheran Council the need for longer-range planning than has been customary in the past. Dr. Empie listed several compelling calls which will continue to come to the American Lutheran churches for years to come:

—"Our commitment to the Orphaned Missions, which may last from five to ten years.

"—Subsidy to the Lutheran World Federation until it becomes a vigorous, self-sustaining organization. I doubt that substantial extra financial support can be tapered off prior to 1957.

"—Need for continued assistance to war-disrupted churches in Western Europe, especially in Germany and Austria, with special attention to projects stimulating development in stewardship, evangelism, youth work, lay activities, and community responsibility.

"—The plight of our brethren behind the Iron Curtain, for whom such help as is possible must be sent and reserves for the future must be built up.

"—The untenable refugee and expellee problem, toward the solution of which the Church must contribute some leadership, especially in the form of 'pilot projects.'

"—The continued difficulties of minority churches, diaspora groups, and 'younger churches,' for whom strategic aid in the next few years may tip the balance for a healthy and secure future."

In the light of these calls Dr. Empie commented as follows:

"Against these factors must be placed the questions as to the needs of the participating bodies for their own programs, and as to the extent to which their congregations can be led to contribute from their resources for this type of Christian witness which was begun under emergency conditions.

"If one believes—as I do—that fulfillment of the above responsibilities is an essential part of discipleship in this particular era, not distinguishable in motivation from such Christian activities as welfare work or home and foreign missions, then

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* L.W.A. funds, partly from Dr. Herman's budget. Probably at least one-third of the other core budget items would be met temporarily by L.W.A. funds.

"(a) financing this work by means of a 'special appeal' long after the ending of the 'emergency' which gave rise to it, is not sound policy;

"(b) such work should be established on the normal programs of the churches and financed from regular budgets when its cost is diminished to a point that it will not jeopardize the financing of the total programs.

"On the basis of the above thinking, I submit the following schedule for consideration:

1951—$2,900,000.
1952— 2,500,000.
1953— 2,000,000.
1954— 1,200,000.

"It should be kept in mind that:

"1. Only annual *totals* should be fixed at present. Considerable adjustment among the items may be necessary as needs develop.

"2. Participating bodies would be presented with the 1954 LWA budget at 1952 conventions.

"3. The National Lutheran Council would continue to prepare special LWA literature for the church bodies to use as long as needed.

"4. In the event of world emergency, by action of the Council, and approval of the participating bodies, a special offering could be authorized to supplement the basic amount in any year."

In the conviction that the fulfillment of such responsibilities is an essential part of discipleship in our day, not distinguishable in motivation from such Christian activity as missions, education, or works of mercy, the 1950 annual meeting formally voted with conviction that:

> "The Council propose to the participating bodies that beginning with the year 1954 special Lutheran World Action appeals by the National Lutheran Council be discontinued and that the participating bodies be requested to agree in principle to place on their regular budgets, beginning in 1954 and thereafter, their proportionate shares of the funds determined upon by the National Lutheran Council as needed for the purpose heretofore served by Lutheran World Action, with the understanding that the total amount requested from the participating bodies for this purpose in 1954 will not exceed $1,200,000."

The Lutheran World Action goals for 1952 and 1953 were tentatively set at $2,500,000 and $2,000,000 respectively.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the United Lutheran Church approve in principle the establishment of a Division of Lutheran Co-operation in Latin America upon the basis of the tentative statement of function and operation as submitted above. (Adopted, see p. 971)

2. That in the event that the participating bodies of the National Lutheran Council are not prepared at this time to establish a Division of Lutheran Co-operation in Latin America this Convention authorize the Executive Board to consider further an approval in principle of the establishment of a Commission on Lutheran Co-operation in Latin America upon the basis of the tentative statement of function and operation, as also submitted above. (Adopted, see p. 971)

3. That the United Lutheran Church approve the general plan for reducing Lutheran World Action goals until 1954, as sketched above, and that The United Lutheran Church in America declare its readiness to include in its annual budgets, from 1954 forward, our Church's proportionate share of a long-term Lutheran World Action program. (Adopted, see p. 971)

4. That the auditor's report for the National Lutheran Council be adopted. (Adopted, see p. 971)

Respectfully submitted,
Rees Edgar Tulloss, *chairman*
Amos John Traver, *secretary*
Mrs. C. W. Baker, Jr.
Lyle C. Burns
Voigt R. Cromer
Franklin Clark Fry
Dwight F. Putman
F. Eppling Reinartz
W. C. Schaeffer, Jr.
S. Frederick Telleen
Armin George Weng
Abdel Ross Wentz
Paul L. Wetzler

EXHIBIT "A"

## NATIONAL LUTHERAN COUNCIL

### Balance Sheet

*December 31, 1949*

*Assets*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *Operating Funds:* | | |
| Cash in banks | $ 158,438.94 | |
| Advances for expenses | 22,533.10 | |
| Secretaries' Home Loans | 15,960.00 | |
| Total operating fund assets | | $ 196,932.04 |
| *Emergency Funds:* | | |
| Cash in banks | $ 79,257.20 | |
| Advances for expenses | 2,000.00 | |
| Cash in escrow (Note B) | 2,500.00 | |
| Total emergency fund assets | | 83,757.20 |
| *Lutheran World Action:* | | |
| Cash in banks (Note A) | $ 2,384,601.74 | |
| United States of America Certificates of Indebtedness, Series A, 1¼%, due January 1, 1950 | 500,000.00 | |
| Advances for expenses | 74,609.01 | |
| Secretary's Home Loan | 4,000.00 | |
| Total Lutheran World Action assets | | 2,963,210.75 |

*Liabilities and Funds*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *Operating Funds:* | | | |
| Advance Payment—1950 Budget | | $ 114.39 | |
| General Administration | | 20,643.63 | |
| Division of Public Relations | | 1,994.85 | |
| Division of Welfare | | 92,755.03 | |
| Division of Student Service | | 52,538.02 | |
| Division of American Missions | $ 16,349.42 | | |
| Department for the Christian Approach to the Jewish People | 1,634.96 | | |
| Spiritual Care – Displaced Persons | 1,483.53 | 19,467.91 | |
| Bureau of Service to Military Personnel | | 7,825.21 | |
| Radio Ministry | | 1,476.24 | |
| Lutheran Church Center | | 116.76 | |
| Total operating funds | | | $ 196,932.04 |
| *Emergency Funds:* | | | |
| Service Commission | | $ 68,957.44 | |
| Bureau of Service to Military Personnel | | 14,799.76 | |
| Total emergency funds | | | 83,757.20 |
| *Lutheran World Action:* | | | |
| Reserve Funds | | $ 252,559.09 | |
| Operating Fund | | 39,498.68 | |
| Balance 1949 Appeal Receipts | | 2,671,152.98 | |
| Total Lutheran World Action funds | | | 2,963,210.75 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *Building Fund* (Note C): | | | |
| Cash in banks: | | | |
| For purchase of property, 50 Madison Avenue, New York, N. Y. | $135,000.00 | | |
| Reserve Funds—Lutheran Church Center | 7,038.79 | | |
| | | $ 142,038.79 | |
| Lutheran Church Center, Washington, D. C. | | 117,446.98 | |
| Houses for pastors, Chicago, Illinois | | 30,177.18 | |
| Deposit on purchase of property, 50 Madison Avenue, New York, N. Y. | | 15,000.00 | |
| Total building fund assets | | | 304,662.95 |
| *Lutheran Student Center Fund:* | | | |
| Cash in banks | | $ 117,776.89 | |
| Conditional Notes Receivable, secured by mortgages on Student Centers | | 471,235.00 | |
| Total Lutheran Student Center fund assets | | | 589,011.89 |
| *Special Funds:* | | | |
| Cash in banks | | $ 4,110.58 | |
| Total special fund assets | | | $ 4,110.58 |
| Total assets | | | $ 4,141,685.41 |

See attached Notes to the Financial Statements.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *Building Fund:* | | |
| Principal | $ 291,903.18 | |
| Reserve Funds—Lutheran Church Center | 7,038.79 | |
| Mortgage Payable, 8025 South Langley St., Chicago, Illinois | 5,720.98 | |
| Total building fund liabilities and funds | | 304,662.95 |
| *Lutheran Student Center Fund:* | | |
| Mortgage Loan Fund | $ 564,011.89 | |
| Reserve Fund | 25,000.00 | |
| Total Lutheran Student Center Fund | | 589,011.89 |
| *Special Funds:* | | |
| Lutheran Welfare Conference | $ 875.30 | |
| Lutheran Hospital Association | 572.59 | |
| National Lutheran Nurses Guild | 933.37 | |
| Specials for Transmittal | 276.14 | |
| Employees' Pension Fund | 1,453.18 | |
| Total special fund | | 4,110.58 |
| Total liabilities and funds | | $ 4,141,685.41 |

EXHIBIT "B"

## Balance Sheet

*December 31, 1948*

*Assets*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *Operating Funds:* | | |
| Cash in bank | $ 57,709.50 | |
| Advances for expenses | 15,129.57 | |
| Notes receivable — Secretaries' House Loans | 9,000.00 | |
| | | $ 81,839.07 |
| *Emergency Funds:* | | |
| Cash in bank | $ 373,962.99 | |
| Advances for expenses | 9,896.56 | |
| Cash escrow funds—City Title Insurance Company, San Francisco, California (Note B) | 2,500.00 | |
| | | 386,359.55 |

*Liabilities and Funds*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *Operating Funds:* | | | |
| General Administration | | $ 19,834.31 | |
| Division of Public Relations | | 1,905.74 | |
| Division of Welfare | | 2,319.09 | |
| Student Service Commission | | 9,072.72 | |
| Division of American Missions | $37,489.18 | | |
| Less: Deficit Department of the Christian Approch to the Jewish People | 755.90 | | |
| | | 36,733.28 | |
| Bureau of Service to Military Personnel | | 687.08 | |
| Radio Ministry | | 1,625.24 | |
| Lutheran Commission for Prisoners of War | | 9,661.61 | |
| | | | $ 81,839.07 |
| *Emergency Funds:* | | | |
| Welfare Emergency | | $ 37,219.17 | |
| Welfare Emergency — Veterans' Hospitals | | 10,442.83 | |
| Student Service Emergency | | 38,256.36 | |
| Bureau of Service to Military Personnel—Emergency | | 35,540.92 | |
| Service Commission | | 264,900.27 | |
| | | | 386,359.55 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *Lutheran World Action:* | | |
| Cash in bank (Note A) | $ 3,440,789.43 | |
| United States of America Certificates of Indebtedness, ⅞%, due January 1, 1949 | 500,000.00 | |
| Advances for expenses | 102,369.82 | |
| Notes receivable — Secretary's House Loan | 4,000.00 | |
| | | 4,047,159.25 |
| *Building Fund:* | | |
| Lutheran Church Center, Washington, D. C. (Note C) | $ 117,446.98 | |
| Houses for pastors, Chicago, Illinois | 30,177.18 | |
| | | 147,624.16 |
| *Lutheran Student Center Fund:* | | |
| Cash in bank | $ 32,500.00 | |
| Conditional notes receivable, secured by Mortgages on Student Centers | 127,500.00 | |
| | | 160,000.00 |
| *Special Funds:* | | |
| Cash in bank | $ 5,472.70 | |
| | | 5,472.70 |
| Total assets | | $ 4,828,454.73 |

See attached Notes to the Financial Statements

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *Lutheran World Action:* | | |
| Due Gunnar Skogland for Film Expenses | $ 3,481.25 | |
| Allocated Funds | 37,737.73 | |
| Reserve Fund | 252,559.09 | |
| Balance, 1948 Appeal Receipts | 3,753,381.18 | |
| | | 4,047,159.25 |
| *Building Fund:* | | |
| Principal | $ 141,518.97 | |
| Mortgage Payable, Pastors' House, Chicago, Illinois | 6,105.19 | |
| | | 147,624.16 |
| *Lutheran Student Center Fund:* | | |
| Principal | $ 160,000.00 | |
| | | 160,000.00 |
| *Special Funds:* | | |
| Lutheran Welfare Conference | $ 1,340.83 | |
| Lutheran Hospital Association | 267.76 | |
| Specials for Transmittal | 2,439.55 | |
| Employees' Pension Fund | 1,424.56 | |
| | | 5,472.70 |
| Total liabilities and funds | | $ 4,828,454.73 |

## Notes to the Financial Statements

CASH IN BANK (Note A)—Cash in bank includes Canadian funds on deposit with the Royal Bank of Canada, Montreal, P. Q. These funds have not been converted to U. S. dollars at the current market rate inasmuch as there is no intent to make such a conversion. All of the funds in Canada will be used by the Council for its work in that country.

CASH ESCROW FUNDS (Note B)—The amount of $2,500.00 is being held by the City Title Insurance Company, San Francisco, California, in connection with the sale of the lease on the King George Hotel, San Francisco, California. In accordance with the escrow agreements, the funds should be released during 1952.

BUILDING FUND (Note C)—Real estate in the Building Fund has been reflected on the attached balance sheet at cost. A deposit of $15,000.00 has been paid on account of the purchase of the property, 50 Madison Avenue, New York City, New York.

The Reserve Fund—Lutheran Church Center amounting to $7,038.79, represents fund set aside from the operating fund of the Lutheran Church Center to provide for depreciation and interest on investment.

EXHIBIT "C"

## Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

*January 1, 1948 to December 31, 1949*

| | January 1, 1949 to December 31, 1949 | | January 1, 1948 to December 31, 1948 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Receipts:* | | | | |
| From Participating Bodies (Schedule I): | | | | |
| The United Lutheran Church in America | | $ 2,094,613.44 | | $ 2,142,759.55 |
| Evangelical Lutheran Church | | 986,509.00 | | 845,372.47 |
| American Lutheran Church | | 818,760.27 | | 790,536.23 |
| Augustana Evangelical Lutheran Church | | 597,315.65 | | 475,002.93 |
| United Evangelical Lutheran Church | | 49,790.10 | | 45,986.70 |
| Lutheran Free Church | | 69,336.99 | | 58,513.46 |
| Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church | | 20,984.50 | | 22,217.56 |
| Finnish Suomi Synod | | 28,495.32 | | 36,007.49 |
| Miscellaneous | | 70,874.41 | | 78,075.90 |
| Total receipts from Participating Bodies | | $ 4,736,679.68 | | $ 4,494,472.29 |
| Army and Navy Commission, Missouri Synod—Share of Service Center Expenses | $ 4,471.61 | | $ 13,530.21 | |
| Miscellaneous Contributions | 10,848.43 | | 7,163.61 | |
| Lutheran World Federation — For Administrative and Publicity Service | 25,410.00 | | 11,500.00 | |
| Sale of Literature and Pins | 2,582.54 | | 2,188.92 | |
| Proceeds from Sale of Equipment and Property | 6,539.72 | | 17,637.09 | |
| Lutheran World Relief —For Administrative Expense | 1,800.00 | | 1,800.00 | |

|  |  |  |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Repayment of Advances for Expenses | 49,196.14 |  | 41,275.54 |  |
| Income—Service Centers and American Mission Fields | 12,809.71 |  | 21,092.42 |  |
| Miscellaneous Receipts | 2,733.37 |  | 4,419.81 |  |
| Income on Temporary Investments | 5,625.00 |  | 4,375.00 |  |
| Employees Pension Account | .... |  | 1,403.45 |  |
| Proceeds of Temporary Investments | 500,000.00 |  | .... |  |
| Resettlement Service—For DP Work | 5,000.00 |  | .... |  |
| Maintenance Contributions — Lutheran Church Center | 9,328.80 |  | 5,505.59 |  |
|  |  | 636,345.32 |  | 131,891.64 |
| Total receipts |  | $ 5,373,025.00 |  | $ 4,626,363.93 |
| *Disbursements*: |  |  |  |  |
| Appeal Expenses: |  |  |  |  |
| Literature | $ 78,159.96 |  | $ 99,329.32 |  |
| Visual Aids | 109,452.37 |  | 49,179.01 |  |
| Office, Printing and Stationery | 16,215.84 |  | 20,199.60 |  |
| Directors' Expense | 40,043.48 |  | 42,694.27 |  |
| Salaries and Pension Premiums | 25,890.50 |  | 25,734.67 |  |
| Publicity and Promotion | 13,510.32 |  | 15,940.16 |  |
| Miscellaneous | 101.98 |  | 1,318.63 |  |
| Rally Expenses | .... |  | 2,714.91 |  |
| "One Great Hour" | 14,919.29 |  | .... |  |
| Total Appeal Expenses | $ 298,293.74 |  | $ 257,110.57 |  |
| Less expense paid in prior year | 86,004.82 |  | 24,783.19 |  |
|  |  | $ 212,288.92 |  | $ 232,327.38 |
| Appeal Expenses—succeeding year |  | 72,309.22 |  | 86,004.82 |
| U. S. A. Committee for Lutheran World Federation: |  |  |  |  |
| Church rehabilitation abroad | $ 3,750,000.00 |  | $ 286,000.00 |  |
| Orphaned Missions | 875,000.00 |  | 60,000.00 |  |
| Miscellaneous | 10,399.34 |  | 5,665.00 |  |
|  |  | 4,635,399.34 |  | 351,665.00 |
| Canadian Lutheran World Relief—portion of Lutheran World Action—Canadian receipts applying to activities in U. S. A. |  | 6,896.46 |  | 21,187.84 |
| Church World Service |  | 30,000.00 |  | 65,000.00 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Operating expenditures: | | | | |
| Executive salaries | $ 71,024.84 | | $ 56,952.48 | |
| Non-Executive, Workers and Clerical Salaries and allowances | 103,860.46 | | 110,101.48 | |
| Retirement Pension Premiums | 5,842.35 | | 7,276.07 | |
| Travel and Meeting Expense | 40,491.46 | | 40,680.53 | |
| Administrative library and other expense | 64,720.02 | | 62,434.55 | |
| Publications, Literature and Publicity | 31,510.60 | | 19,708.42 | |
| Service Center expenditures | 29,779.96 | | 97,608.13 | |
| American Mission Field expenditures | 87,941.74 | | 83,657.06 | |
| Renovations — Lutheran Church Center, Washington, D. C. | .... | | 43,373.99 | |
| Grants: | | | | |
| Welfare Conferences | .... | | 14,664.00 | |
| Student Service Center | 116,427.26 | | 143,871.17 | |
| Miscellaneous | 764.00 | | 5,012.63 | |
| Student Service mortgage loan | 338,500.00 | | 127,500.00 | |
| From Lutheran World Action | .... | | 19,587.27 | |
| | $ 890,862.69 | | $ 832,427.78 | |
| Less: Portion applied to Lutheran World Action as appeal expenses | 14,898.00 | | 20,409.00 | |
| | | 875,964.69 | | 812,018.78 |
| Advanced for traveling and operating expenses and Home Loans (Net) | | 44,977.06 | | 61,220.90 |
| Purchase of Temporary Investments | | 500,000.00 | | 500,000.00 |
| Miscellaneous | | 4,399.79 | | 8,543.01 |
| Deposit on Purchase of Building | | 15,000.00 | | .... |
| Total disbursements | | $ 6,397,235.48 | | $ 2,137,967.73 |
| *Summary:* | | | | |
| Balance, Beginning of year | | $ 3,910,434.62 | | $ 1,422,038.42 |
| Receipts | | 5,373,025.00 | | 4,626,363.93 |
| | | $ 9,283,459.62 | | $ 6,048,402.35 |
| Disbursements | | 6,397,235.48 | | 2,137,967.73 |
| Balance, end of year | | $ 2,886,224.14 | | $ 3,910,434.62 |

SCHEDULE I

## Receipts From Participating Bodies

*January 1, 1948 to December 31, 1949*

|  | Total | Lutheran World Action | Budget | Students Center Fund | Other Receipts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *1949* |  |  |  |  |  |
| The United Lutheran Church in America | $ 2,094,613.44 | $ 1,803,669.94 | $ 150,343.50 | $ 135,000.00 | $ 5,600.00 |
| Evangelical Lutheran Church | 986,509.00 | 799,116.44 | 53,672.56 | 133,720.00 | .... |
| American Lutheran Church | 818,760.27 | 689,337.65 | 54,422.62 | 70,000.00 | 5,000.00 |
| Augustana Evangelical Lutheran Church | 597,315.65 | 458,208.99 | 43,106.66 | 80,000.00 | 16,000.00 |
| United Evangelical Lutheran Church | 49,790.10 | 42,088.28 | 3,445.00 | 3,292.24 | 964.58 |
| Lutheran Free Church | 69,336.99 | 59,796.51 | 2,490.83 | 7,049.65 | .... |
| Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church | 20,984.50 | 19,309.50 | 1,675.00 | .... | .... |
| Finnish Suomi Synod | 28,495.32 | 27,045.00 | 1,450.32 | .... | .... |
| Miscellaneous | 70,874.41 | 70,874.41 | .... | .... | .... |
|  | $ 4,736,679.68 | $ 3,969,446.72 | $ 310,606.49 | $ 429,061.89 | $ 27,564.58 |
| *1948* |  |  |  |  |  |
| The United Lutheran Church in America | $ 2,142,759.55 | $ 1,984,529.70 | $ 62,829.85 | $ 40,000.00 | $ 55,400.00 |
| Evangelical Lutheran Church | 845,372.47 | 772,493.27 | 22,879.20 | 50,000.00 | .... |
| American Lutheran Church | 790,536.23 | 700,174.97 | 20,361.26 | 70,000.00 | .... |
| Augustana Evangelical Lutheran Church | 475,002.93 | 463,752.41 | 8,443.68 | .... | 2,806.84 |
| United Evangelical Lutheran Church | 45,986.70 | 43,584.29 | 2,074.18 | .... | 328.23 |
| Lutheran Free Church | 58,513.46 | 56,692.31 | 1,821.15 | .... | .... |
| Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church | 22,217.56 | 21,617.56 | 600.00 | .... | .... |
| Finnish Suomi Synod | 36,007.49 | 35,071.34 | 936.15 | .... | .... |
| Miscellaneous | 78,075.90 | 20,075.90 | .... | .... | 58,000.00 |
|  | $ 4,494,472.29 | $ 4,097,991.75 | $ 119,945.47 | $ 160,000.00 | $ 116,535.07 |

SCHEDULE II

## Executive Salaries and Allowances

*January 1, 1948 to December 31, 1949*

| | January 1, 1949 to December 31, 1949 | | January 1, 1948 to December 31, 1948 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *General Administration:* | | | | |
| Dr. Ralph H. Long (to March 1948) | .... | | $ 1,350.00 | |
| Dr. Paul C. Empie | $ 7,250.00 | | 6,800.00 | |
| Rev. John A. Scherzer | 6,199.92 | | .... | |
| | | $13,449.92 | | $ 8,150.00 |
| *Division of Public Relations:* | | | | |
| Erik W. Modean | $ 5,249.92 | | $ 4,350.00 | |
| Dr. Carl E. Lund-Quist | 6,500.00 | | 5,000.06 | |
| | | 11,749.92 | | 9,350.06 |
| *Division of Welfare:* | | | | |
| Dr. C. E. Krumbholz | $ 6,500.00 | | $ 5,700.00 | |
| Miss Cordelia Cox (from July, 1948 to October 1949) | 3,825.00 | | 2,287.50 | |
| Rev. Carl R. Plach | 4,500.00 | | 4,425.00 | |
| | | 14,825.00 | | 12,412.50 |
| *Division of Student Service:* | | | | |
| Dr. Morris Wee | $ 6,500.00 | | $ 5,899.92 | |
| Dr. Ruth Wick | 4,200.00 | | 3,600.00 | |
| Rev. Paul Bierstadt | 4,500.00 | | 4,200.00 | |
| Rev. Oswald Elbert | 4,500.00 | | 4,200.00 | |
| | | 19,700.00 | | 17,899.92 |
| *Division of American Missions:* | | | | |
| Rev. H. Conrad Hoyer | $ 6,500.00 | | $ 4,940.00 | |
| Rev. E. W. Mueller | 4,800.00 | | 4,200.00 | |
| | | 11,300.00 | | 9,140.00 |
| | | $71,024.84 | | $56,952.48 |

## Accountant's Certificate

National Lutheran Council
New York, New York

We have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the National Lutheran Council for the years ended December 31, 1949 and December 31, 1948. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying balance sheets and statements of cash receipts and disbursements present fairly the financial position of the Council at December 31, 1949 and December 31, 1948, and the results of its operations for the years then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding biennium.

Tait, Weller & Baker,
*Certified Public Accountants*

New York, New York
July 26, 1950

EXHIBIT "A"

# NATIONAL LUTHERAN COUNCIL RESETTLEMENT SERVICE

## Balance Sheet

*December 31, 1949*

*Assets*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *Operating Fund:* | | | |
| Cash in bank | | $ 16,352.16 | |
| Loans to displaced persons | | 292,207.70 | |
| Railroad tickets purchased in advance | | 38,973.53 | |
| Advances: | | | |
| Pier service advances | $ 1,421.02 | | |
| Field advances | 11,098.05 | 12,519.07 | |
| Accounts receivable | | 1,323.45 | |
| Total operating fund assets | | | $361,375.91 |
| *Bonding Fund:* | | | |
| Cash in bank | | | 1,296.35 |
| Total assets | | | $362,672.26 |

*Liabilities and Funds*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *Operating Fund:* | | |
| Balance | $321,375.91 | |
| Advance on 1950 budget | 40,000.00 | |
| Total operating fund | | $361,375.91 |
| *Bonding Fund:* | | 1,296.35 |
| Total liabilities and funds | | $362,672.26 |

EXHIBIT "B"

## Operating Fund

## Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

*January 1, 1949 to December 31, 1949*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *Receipts:* | | | |
| Operating receipts: | | | |
| National Lutheran Council—U.S.A. Committee for Lutheran World Federation: | | | |
| Lutheran World Action | $460,000.00 | | |
| Resettlement reserve | 260,000.00 | $720,000.00 | |
| Repayments on loans to displaced persons prior to October 1, 1949 | | 5,618.24 | |
| Rental income | | 250.00 | |
| Total operating receipts | | | $725,868.24 |
| Other receipts: | | | |
| National Lutheran Council—U.S.A. Committee for Lutheran World Federation: | | | |
| Advance toward 1950 budget | | $ 40,000.00 | |
| Repayments on loans to displaced persons after October 1, 1949 | | 15,406.46 | |
| Pier service advances repaid | | 94,815.29 | |
| Field service advances repaid | | 8,199.76 | |
| Total other receipts | | | 158,421.51 |
| Total receipts | | | $884,289.75 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *Disbursements:* | | | |
| Operating disbursements: | | | |
| Administration expense | | $194,880.75 | |
| Field service expense | $113,131.51 | | |
| Less: Reimbursements by Missouri Synod | 843.10 | | |
| | | 112,288.41 | |
| Literature, publicity and promotion | | 11,142.00 | |
| Direct services: | | | |
| Loans to displaced persons | $313,232.40 | | |
| Children | 37,090.30 | | |
| Direct aids and maintenance | 21,459.42 | | |
| | | 371,782.12 | |
| Co-operative services: | | | |
| Membership—American Council of Voluntary Agencies for Foreign Service, Inc. | $ 1,500.00 | | |
| Subscriptions, dues, etc. | 106.75 | | |
| | | 1,606.75 | |
| National Lutheran Council — Division of American Missions—Spiritual care for displaced persons | | 5,000.00 | |
| Total operating disbursements | | | $696,700.03 |
| Other disbursements: | | | |
| Refunding of loan repayments after October 1, 1949: | | | |
| National Lutheran Council—U.S.A. Committee for Lutheran World Federation: | | | |
| Resettlement reserve | $ 13,865.81 | | |
| Bonding reserve fund | 1,540.65 | | |
| | | $ 15,406.46 | |
| Pier service advances | | 96,236.31 | |
| Field advances | | 19,297.81 | |
| Advance purchase of railroad tickets | | 38,973.53 | |
| Accounts receivable—railroad tickets | | 1,323.45 | |
| Total other disbursements | | | 171,237.56 |
| Total disbursements | | | $867,937.59 |
| *Summary:* | | | |
| Cash receipts | | | $884,289.75 |
| Cash disbursements | | | 867,937.59 |
| Balance, December 31, 1949 | | | $ 16,352.16 |

EXHIBIT "C"

## Bonding Fund

### Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

*January 1, 1949 to December 31, 1949*

| | |
|---|---|
| *Receipts:* | |
| Transfer of loan repayments from operating fund | $ 1,540.65 |
| *Disbursements:* | |
| Bonding expense | 244.30 |
| Balance, December 31, 1949 | $ 1,296.35 |

EXHIBIT "D"

## Operating Fund Reconciliation

*January 1, 1949 to December 31, 1949*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *Operating Receipts:* | $725,868.24 | |
| Less: Loan repayments prior to October 1, 1949 | 5,618.24 | $720,250.00 |
| *Operating Disbursements:* | $696,700.03 | |
| Less: Loans to displaced persons | 313,232.40 | 383,467.63 |
| | | $336,782.37 |
| Less: Refund of loan repayments: | | |
| National Lutheran Council—U.S.A. Committee for Lutheran World Federation: | | |
| Resettlement reserve | $ 13,865.81 | |
| Bonding fund | 1,540.65 | 15,406.46 |
| Balance, December 31, 1949 | | *$321,375.91 |

## Accountant's Certificate

National Lutheran Council
New York, New York

We have examined the accounts of the National Lutheran Council, Resettlement Service as maintained by the Treasurer of the National Lutheran Council for the year ended December 31, 1949. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying balance sheet and statements of cash receipts and disbursements present fairly the financial position of the National Lutheran Council, Resettlement Service at December 31, 1949, and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Tait, Weller & Baker
*Certified Public Accountants*

New York, New York
July 26, 1950

EXHIBIT "A"

## NATIONAL LUTHERAN COUNCIL
## U. S. A. COMMITTEE FOR LUTHERAN WORLD FEDERATION

### Balance Sheets

*December 31, 1949 and December 31, 1948*

| | December 31, 1949 | December 31, 1948 |
|---|---|---|
| *Assets* | | |
| Cash in banks and on hand (Notes A, B) | $ 667,490.94 | $1,461,817.61 |
| Investment in U.S.A. Certificates of Indebtedness—at cost | 750,046.81 | 500,213.47 |
| Sundry accounts receivable | 14,368.11 | 13,246.44 |
| Loans to displaced persons | 38,554.69 | 3,845.88 |
| Loans to staff secretaries | 8,000.00 | 8,000.00 |
| Advances to "Service to Refugees" for operating fund | 152,267.61 | .... |
| Advances for cash funds | 17,123.21 | 70,592.49 |
| | $1,647,851.37 | $2,057,715.89 |

*Liabilities and Funds*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Liabilities:* | | | | |
| Sundry accounts payable | $ 162,896.29 | | $ 85,654.30 | |
| Designated Gifts—undistributed (Exhibit "E") | 6,185.98 | | 42,339.52 | |
| Deposits for travel of displaced persons ...... | 1,776.00 | | .... | |
| | | $ 170,858.27 | | $ 127,993.82 |
| *Funds:* | | | | |
| Church Rehabilitation in Europe ...................... | $1,235,505.55 | | $1,818,519.86 | |
| Commission on Younger Churches and Orphaned Missions ........ | 238,119.02 | | 84,781.68 | |
| China Plane Account (Exhibit "D") (Note C) ............................ | 3,368.53 | | 26,420.53 | |
| | | 1,476,993.10 | | 1,929,722.07 |
| | | $1,647,851.37 | | $2,057,715.89 |

See attached notes to the financial statements.

## Notes to the Financial Statements

Note A—Cash in banks at December 31, 1949 and December 31, 1948 includes $20,100.00 pledged to The National City Bank of New York to secure repayment of a loan granted by its London office to the German Lutheran St. Mary's Church, London, England.

Note B—No effect has been given in this report to the financial operations in foreign countries covering the months of December 1949 and 1948; the amounts shown here for cash in banks and on hand represent the balances at November 30, 1949 and November 30, 1948.

Note C—As disclosed in the minutes of December 1949 the management of the China Plane holds operating funds in an account of The National City Bank of New York estimated at approximately $100,000.00 which are not recorded in these accounts.

Note D—The payment of $20,000.00 towards acquisition of "Weintraubengasse Hotel," Vienna, represents a share of a guarantee to the Creditanstalt, Vienna, to secure payment of an annuity of $3,600.00 for life to the present owners of that property for its use as a hostel and finally its acquisition by the Church of Austria upon death of such owners. As no details of the contract are available at the New York office and it being unknown at present whether the above amount or any part of it may ever revert to the guarantor the deposit has not been included as an asset in the balance sheet.

Note E—The Committee is contingently liable as of December 31, 1948 to the extent of $13,000.00 to the United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company, Baltimore, Maryland, for a bond posted by that company with the United States Government to guarantee the appearance of 26 aliens temporarily admitted to the United States of America

EXHIBIT "B"

## Church Rehabilitation in Europe

### Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

*January 1, 1948 to December 31, 1949*

| | Jan. 1, 1949 to Dec. 31, 1949 | Jan. 1, 1948 to Dec. 31, 1948 |
|---|---|---|
| Receipts: | | |
| Lutheran World Action Appeal | $3,750,000.00 | $ 286,000.00 |
| Lutheran World Action Appeal for Church World Service | 30,000.00 | 31,000.00 |
| World Council of Churches, return of funds not transmitted to Hungary | 15,000.00 | .... |
| Resettlement Service, return of 90% of loan repayments for the period October 1, 1949 to December 31, 1949 | 13,865.81 | .... |
| General Fund, balance of Prisoners of War Fund to be used for contingencies | 7,794.17 | .... |
| Lutheran World Federation, remittance for foreign exchange assigned | 3,147.33 | .... |
| Interest on bonds, deposits and loan | 5,755.32 | 4,746.87 |
| Refunds | 6,285.32 | 15,851.17 |
| Deposits from sponsors for travel of displaced persons | 1,776.00 | .... |
| Repayment of loans granted displaced persons | 2,174.94 | 734.00 |
| Resettlement Service, New York, reimbursement for loans to displaced persons outstanding at December 31, 1948 | 3,845.88 | .... |
| Advances for cash funds accounted for | 75,699.05 | 65,757.33 |
| Redemption of par value $500,000 U. S. Treasury Certificates of Indebtedness at book value | 500,213.47 | 500,111.90 |
| Remittance of account receivable from Church World Service | .... | 1,272.44 |
| Other receipts | 949.42 | 608.21 |
| Total | $4,416,506.71 | $ 906,081.92 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Disbursements: | | |
| Direct aid to countries: | | |
| Austria (Note D) | $ 78,284.49 | $ 110,229.69 |
| Balts | .... | 3,773.30 |
| China | 3,000.00 | .... |
| Czechoslovakia | 115,905.41 | 23,015.56 |
| England | 33,892.20 | 21,552.31 |
| Finland | 137,683.29 | 336,492.99 |
| France | 48,416.11 | 68,167.58 |
| Germany | 1,673,448.45 | 1,192,068.90 |
| Holland | 414.07 | 11,625.61 |
| Hungary | 4,767.19 | 204,935.98 |
| Italy | 9,596.76 | 8,226.03 |
| Norway | 508,472.68 | 92,744.89 |
| Poland | 141,086.17 | 112,702.10 |
| Roumania | 9,173.43 | 1,142.82 |
| South America | 3,471.81 | 11,160.62 |
| Switzerland | 6,573.53 | 1,892.10 |
| Yugoslavia | 9,892.04 | 8,331.30 |
| World Y.M.C.A. Emergency Program | 15,000.00 | .... |
| Work and Health Program | 5,000.00 | .... |
| | $ 2,804,077.63 | $ 2,208,061.78 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Resettlement Service, New York: | | |
| Appropriations | $ 760,000.00 | $ .... |
| Office expense | .... | 25,964.17 |
| | $ 760,000.00 | $ 25,964.17 |
| Service to Refugees: | | |
| Displaced persons and spiritual ministry—Dr. H. Hong | $ 122,210.11 | $ 93,369.95 |
| Advances for foreign resettlement | 152,267.61 | .... |
| Loans to displaced persons | 39,842.98 | .... |
| Foreign resettlement expenses | 99,407.28 | 23,739.31 |
| Salaries | 16,504.82 | 5,028.67 |
| Field workers' expenses | 20,466.02 | 4,376.77 |
| Contribution towards Lutheran work in C.L.E.R.A.T.E., France | 6,000.00 | .... |
| Miscellaneous | 4,011.78 | .... |
| Geneva office: | | |
| Salary and contingencies, Dr. S. W. Herman | 6,611.75 | .... |
| Travel | 6,416.99 | .... |
| Office expense | 5,773.57 | .... |
| | $ 479,512.91 | $ 126,514.70 |
| Miscellaneous Contributions: | | |
| Lutheran World Relief, Inc. | $ 250,000.00 | $ 420,500.00 |
| World Council of Churches | 84,772.85 | 31,014.77 |
| American Bible Society | 50,000.00 | 100,000.00 |
| Church World Service, Inc. | 92,500.00 | 65,000.00 |
| Lutheran World Federation | 15,000.00 | 10,000.00 |
| Lund Convention Report | .... | 1,500.00 |
| Miscellaneous | .... | 4,312.03 |
| | $ 492,272.85 | $ 632,326.80 |
| Administrative Expenses—New York and Geneva Offices: | | |
| National Lutheran Council for share of expenses | $ 25,410.00 | $ 11,500.00 |
| Travel and meetings | 11,919.26 | 8,689.27 |
| Salaries: | | |
| Rev. M. O. Dietrich | 6,150.00 | 5,860.00 |
| Rev. L. Sanjek | 3,840.00 | .... |
| Rev. J. A. Scherzer | .... | 2,325.00 |
| Clerical | 5,645.35 | 3,699.50 |
| Retirement pension premiums | 240.00 | 274.66 |
| Dr. S. C. Michelfelder, for auto and travel expense | 2,909.89 | .... |
| Equipment, furniture and maintenance | 2,065.05 | 943.26 |
| Postage and supplies | 1,766.97 | 1,620.69 |
| Rent | 1,667.87 | 445.90 |
| Telephone and telegrams | 1,473.36 | 1,524.65 |
| Schooling and representatives' children abroad | 592.10 | 1,518.55 |
| Insurance premiums | 553.89 | 570.49 |
| Printing and publicity | 209.15 | 3,606.53 |
| Loss on redemption of bonds | 213.47 | 111.90 |
| Moving expenses, storage | .... | 1,931.03 |
| Miscellaneous | 6,975.29 | 596.09 |
| | $ 71,631.65 | $ 45,217.52 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Other Disbursements: | | |
| Contingencies | $ 1,513.88 | $ .... |
| Advances for cash funds | 22,229.77 | 100,991.15 |
| Net increase in accounts receivable for year | 1,121.67 | 13,246.44 |
| Loan to Rev. F. A. Scherzer for purchase of residence | .... | 4,000.00 |
| Purchase of U. S. Treasury Certificates of Indebtedness | 750,046.81 | 500,213.47 |
| | $ 774,912.13 | $ 618,451.06 |
| Total | $ 5,382,407.17 | $ 3,656,536.03 |
| *Summary:* | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of year | $ 1,226,821.58 | $ 3,975,780.69 |
| Receipts | 4,416,506.71 | 906,081.92 |
| | $ 5,643,328.29 | $ 4,881,862.61 |
| Disbursements | 5,382,407.17 | 3,656,536.03 |
| | $ 260,921.12 | $ 1,225,326.58 |
| Transfer from Orphaned Missions Fund to adjust advances for cash funds made | .... | 1,495.00 |
| Cash balance, end of year | $ 260,921.12 | $ 1,226,821.58 |

See attached notes to the financial statements

EXHIBIT "C"

## Commission on Younger Churches and Orphaned Missions

## Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

*January 1, 1948 to December 31, 1949*

| | Jan. 1, 1949 to Dec. 31, 1949 | Jan. 1, 1948 to Dec. 31, 1948 |
|---|---|---|
| *Receipts:* | | |
| Lutheran World Action Appeal | $ 875,000.00 | $ 60,000.00 |
| Lutheran World Action Appeal for transmission | .... | 2,600.00 |
| Transfer from Designated Gifts of funds received from The Neuendettelsau Society to be used for missions in New Guinea | 30,000.00 | .... |
| Return of funds advanced for purchase of China Plane | 15,000.00 | .... |
| Miscellaneous receipts | 4,068.00 | 7,625.20 |
| Total | $ 924,068.00 | $ 70,225.20 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| Foreign Fields: | | |
| Africa | $ 204,700.37 | $ 211,250.98 |
| India | 59,950.35 | 75,221.94 |
| Indonesia | 24,866.74 | 11,824.89 |
| Japan | .... | 26.18 |
| New Guinea | 151,108.36 | 171,177.21 |
| Palestine | 109,882.76 | 65,121.49 |
| China | 199,175.45 | 268,797.75 |
| Miscellaneous | 2,344.56 | .... |
| | $ 752,028.59 | $ 803,420.44 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *Summary:* | | |
| Administrative Expenses: | | |
| Salaries: | | |
| Dr. F. A. Schiotz | $ 6,199.92 | $ 1,666.67 |
| Clerical | 2,386.86 | 1,015.00 |
| Travel and meetings | 7,410.01 | 6,252.37 |
| Equipment | 92.00 | 848.95 |
| Telegrams, telephone, postage and supplies | 1,052.11 | 503.01 |
| Print shop | 209.15 | .... |
| Pensions | 599.06 | .... |
| Miscellaneous | 552.96 | 1,895.79 |
| | $ 18,502.07 | $ 12,181.79 |
| Other Disbursements: | | |
| Loan to Dr. F. A. Schiotz for purchase of residence | $ .... | $ 4,000.00 |
| Advances for cash funds | .... | 3,630.00 |
| | $ .... | $ 7,630.00 |
| Total | $ 770,530.66 | $ 823,232.23 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *Summary:* | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of year | $ 80,581.68 | $ 835,083.71 |
| Receipts | $ 924,068.00 | 70,225.20 |
| | $ 1,004,649.68 | $ 905,308.91 |
| Disbursements | 770,530.66 | 823,232.23 |
| | $ 234,119.02 | $ 82,076.68 |
| Transfer to Church Rehabilitation in Europe Fund for advances for cash funds made | .... | 1,495.00 |
| Cash balance, end of year | $ 234,119.02 | $ 80,581.68 |

EXHIBIT "D"

## China Plane Account

## Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

*January 1, 1948 to December 31, 1949*

| | Jan. 1, 1949 to Dec. 31, 1949 | Jan. 1, 1948 to Dec. 31, 1948 |
|---|---|---|
| *Receipts:* | | |
| Remittances for use of Plane—(Note) | $ .... | $ 31,968.57 |
| Allocation from Orphaned Missions | .... | 5,612.17 |
| Claim for insurance | 457.86 | .... |
| Total | $ 457.86 | $ 37,580.74 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| Commission on Younger Churches and Orphaned Missions, first repayment of funds invested in China Plane | $ 15,000.00 | $ .... |
| Insurance premiums | 7,614.74 | .... |
| Gas and oil | 895.12 | |
| (Note) | .... | 11,160.21 |
| Total | $ 23,509.86 | $ 11,160.21 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Cash balance, beginning of year | $ 26,420.53 | $ .... |
| Receipts | 457.86 | 37,580.74 |
| | $ 26,878.39 | $ 37,580.74 |
| Disbursements | 23,509.86 | 11,160.21 |
| Cash balance, end of year | $ 3,368.53 | $ 26,420.53 |

Note—Due to the death of Dr. Nelson and the Chinese civil war, detailed reports on the nature of receipts and disbursements are not available at the New York office.

EXHIBIT "E"

### Designated Gifts

### Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

*January 1, 1948 to December 31, 1949*

| | Jan. 1, 1949 to Dec. 31, 1949 | Jan. 1, 1948 to Dec. 31, 1948 |
|---|---|---|
| Undistributed Gifts, beginning of year | $ 42,339.52 | $ .... |
| Receipts | 12,899.78 | 52,158.89 |
| | $ 55,239.30 | $ 52,158.89 |
| Disbursements | 49,053.32 | 9,819.37 |
| Undistributed Gifts, end of year | $ 6,185.98 | $ 42,339.52 |

EXHIBIT "F"

### Summary of Cash in Banks and On Hand

*December 31, 1949 and December 31, 1948*

| | Dec. 31, 1949 | Dec. 31, 1948 |
|---|---|---|
| Church Rehabilitation in Europe | $ 260,921.12 | $ 1,226,821.58 |
| Commission on Younger Churches and Orphaned Missions | 234,119.02 | 80,581.68 |
| China Plane Account | 3,368.53 | 26,420.53 |
| Designated Gifts | 6,185.98 | 42,339.52 |
| Sundry Accounts Payable | 162,896.29 | 85,654.30 |
| | $ 667,490.94 | $ 1,461,817.61 |

### Accountant's Certificate

National Lutheran Council,
U.S.A. Committee for Lutheran World Federation
New York, New York

We have examined the accounts of the National Lutheran Council, U.S.A. Committee for Lutheran World Federation as maintained by the Treasurer of the National Lutheran Council for the years ended December 31, 1949 and December 31, 1948. Our examination was limited to the transactions effected by the Treasurer's office in New York and did not include the disposition of the funds in foreign countries. Such examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

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TAIT, WELLER & BAKER
*Certified Public Accountants*

New York, New York
July 27, 1950

Dr. Tulloss presented Executive Director Paul C. Empie who addressed the convention.

Dr. Empie commented on the increasingly high degree of co-operation among the participating bodies of the National Lutheran Council, and cited as evidence of this fact some of the new ventures being planned by that agency. He mentioned the proposed Division on Co-operation in Latin America, the current survey of all USA military camp areas, and the planned production of a motion picture on the life of Martin Luther. It is hoped that this production can begin in 1951.

Dr. Empie introduced the Rev. H. Conrad Hoyer, executive secretary of the Division of American Missions, who insisted that Lutheran unity is now a fact, and that it operates as a force toward the production of future strengths for the whole Lutheran Church. Dr. Hoyer reported recent developments in the National Lutheran Council's ministries to Negro Missions and through the Department for the Christian Approach to the Jewish People.

The Rev. Clarence E. Krumbholz, executive secretary of the Division of Welfare, introduced Miss Cordelia Cox, director of the Resettlement Service of the National Lutheran Council. In recognizing Miss Cox, President Fry said of her, "No one in the National Lutheran Council has undertaken a more Herculean task than has Miss Cox, who deserves every recognition and gratitude of the United Lutheran Church."

Miss Cox addressed the convention. She paid tribute to the gallantry, spirit, and Christian patience of the Displaced Persons, and expressed their "21,705 thanks" to our pastors and congregations for the generosity of their welcome and assistance. Said Miss Cox, "In other welfare efforts we have sent help to people at great distances from our homes; in our Resettlement Program we have brought people among us to live with us." Miss Cox pointed to the following "current needs": to care for the 21,705 Displaced Persons already here; to bring to this country the 10,000 Displaced Persons in Europe for whom we are responsible; help with the program for bringing the ethnic Germans to this country. In closing her report Miss Cox pled, "Ladies and gentlemen of the convention, go back to your congregations determined to bring at least one more person or family from Europe, in order that we may gloriously complete this ministry of mercy."

Dr. Tulloss presented the recommendations of the Commission, p. 952.

Dr. Krumbholz moved the adoption of recommendations 1, 2, 3 and 4.

Recommendations 1, 2, 3 and 4 were adopted.

Mr. Hans P. Treuenfels presented the following motion:

> "Moved that the ULCA endorse the dossier program of the Resettlement Service of the National Lutheran Council, and request its synods to encourage

their pastors and congregations to fulfill their obligations to some of the victims of the last war."

The recommendation was adopted.

Dr. Empie introduced the Rev. Frank M. Brown, ULCA Lutheran World Action Director, who pled for the most generous use of the Reformation and Thanksgiving seasons for Lutheran World Action. He pointed out the continuing need for clothing collections. In summarizing his appeal he quoted Dr. Empie as follows: "Let us make 1950 a holy year by raising our Christian Higher Education Year and Lutheran World Action quotas in full."

Dr. Empie presented the Rev. Carl E. Lund-Quist, assistant executive director, who spoke of the work of the Lutheran World Federation, referring to it as a channel through which the Lutheran churches of America can bring aid to their sister churches in Europe, a means through which contact with forty-two Lutheran churches throughout the world is maintained and an agency contributing to the unification of our Church throughout the world.

Speaking on the work of the Lutheran World Federation, Dr. Empie commented on the futility of an attempt to match the communist emphasis upon material well-being by contributing solely to the physical recovery of oppressed nations. He insisted that the spiritual content of our aid to our brethren in Europe would benefit them most lastingly. Dr. Empie assured the convention that our representatives who have visited our brethren in oppressed countries have imparted to them the confidence that we will never stop praying for them or laboring on their behalf.

At the request of Dr. Empie, President Fry addressed the convention concerning Lutheran World Action. Said Dr. Fry, "We have done some glorious things in 1950. However, they will be as dead ashes in our hands if we do not do our full share for Lutheran World Action. We are called to be Christian citizens in the world—the whole world. We will discharge our obligations as world citizens if our whole being is attuned to the heart of our God."

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The Rev. J. H. Reble, presented the report of the ULCA members of the National Committee in Canada of the Lutheran World Federation.

Dr. Reble reported that 22,000 Lutheran Displaced Persons have come to Canada since the beginning of the Resettlement Program, and that the Dominion Government has increased the immigration totals for 1951 from 150,000 to 170,000. Said Dr. Reble, "All of us must now concentrate on Lutheran World Action. May the Lord of the Church and the nations empower us to do His will through this great cause."

# LUTHERAN WORLD FEDERATION
# NATIONAL COMMITTEE IN CANADA
## REPORT OF ULCA COMMISSIONERS

At the 1948 Philadelphia Convention, The United Lutheran Church in America sanctioned the formation of a National Committee for the Lutheran World Federation in Canada. Two meetings of the committee were held during the biennium at Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

The committee's chief task has been and still is Lutheran World Action. As in 1949 so in 1950, the objective is $100,000. In 1949, the three U.L.C.A. synods contributed $58,132.53 of the total receipts of $90,229.13. The 1951 L.W.A. objective is $80,000.

On January 1, 1949, Canadian Lutheran World Relief became the operational arm of the National Committee for Canada in the fields of relief and immigration. In this new relationship, 25 per cent of Canadian L.W.A. funds are used to support the program of C.L.W.R. The latter agreed to refrain from any and all other financial appeals among members and congregations in Canada belonging to The United Lutheran Church in America. Three committees for immigration and resettlement have been set up across the Dominion: a British Columbia Committee under the chairmanship of the Rev. E. Schmok of Vancouver, British Columbia, a Committee for the Prairie Provinces under the Rev. Gilbert T. Monson of Saskatoon, and a Committee for Eastern Canada under the Rev. Paul Eydt of Brunner, Ontario.

### Immigration Work at Montreal and Halifax

The Montreal office, reopened by the Board of Social Missions of the ULCA and the Canada Synod on April 1, 1948, the Rev. S. F. M. Friedrichsen immigration chaplain, is, since July, 1949, the responsibility of the National Committee. Miss Katrine Petersons is the committee's port worker at Halifax, Nova Scotia. By the end of June of this year the number of postwar Lutheran immigrants was close to 25,000.

Mr. Reuben Baetz, a graduate of Waterloo College, sailed in June 1949 from New York as the Canadian representative on the European staff of the Senior Field Representative of the Lutheran World Federation Service to Refugees.

### Publications

The first issue of the Canada Committee Quarterly was published in February, 1950, the Rev. Mars A. Dale, editor.

### Personnel of the Canadian Committee

Drs. N. Willison and John Schmieder, who attended the first Lutheran World Federation meeting at Lund in 1947 and helped to organize and establish the National Committee for Canada, resigned from the committee. The present U.L.C.A. members of the committee were the presidents of the three U.L.C.A. synods in Canada.

Dr. Mars A. Dale, Saskatoon, Sask., president; Dr. J. H. Reble, Waterloo, Ont., vice-president; the Rev. J. Lokken, Howarden, Sask., secretary; the Rev. Gilbert T. Monson, Saskatoon, Sask., treasurer; Dr. H. Whitteker, Bridgewater, N. S., the Rev. J. E. Bergbusch, Saskatoon, Sask., the Rev. A. Schmok, Vancouver, B. C.

### Budget for 1950

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| Administration | |
| General, Literature, Meetings | $ 5,000 |
| Canadian Lutheran World Relief | 25,000 |
| Refugees | 20,000 |
| European Spiritual Relief | 24,000 |
| Orphaned Missions | 24,000 |
| Student Work | 1,000 |
| Contingencies | 1,000 |
| | $100,000 |

The tentative 1951 budget is $80,000.

The committee will not meet until January, 1951.

Respectfully submitted,
J. E. Bergbusch
J. H. Reble
H. Whitteker

Mr. Virgil W. Doub, chairman, presented the following report of the Committee on Conduct of Elections:

### BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

The following have received a majority of votes cast for the term expiring 1956:

Rev. Lorin J. Wolff
Aubrey Mauney

The president declared them elected.

### BOARD OF PUBLICATION

For the term expiring 1965, the Rev. John Schmidt received a majority of votes cast.

The president declared him elected.

President Fry introduced the Rev. Robert S. Bilheimer, Program Secretary for North America, World Council of Churches, who addressed the convention.

Secretary Bilheimer made appreciative reference to the part played by President Fry in the Amsterdam Assembly of the World Council of Churches and in its Central Committee.

He described the work of the World Council of Churches under four headings: the Commission of the Churches on International Affairs, the promotion of co-operative study, the development of ecumenical consciousness, and the support of the churches in their own task of evangelism. Secretary Bilheimer mentioned certain weaknesses which the friends of the World Council recognized in its developing structure, and concluded by pointing to the following assets of the World Council of Churches: growth in the strength of the Central Committee, the prominence given to study by the Central Committee, and the continuous accent placed by the Central Committee on evangelism.

The president declared the session adjourned. The chaplain led the convention in closing prayer.

## SIXTH MEETING

### Third Session

KRNT Radio Theater, Des Moines, Iowa
Tuesday, October 10, 1950, 7:45 P.M.

The chaplain conducted the devotions.

President Fry presented a review of the convention's unfinished business.

The Commission of Adjudication presented its report through its chairman, the Rev. P. W. H. Frederick. In recognizing Dr. Frederick, President Fry paid tribute to his many years of able and consecrated service to the Commission.

## REPORT OF THE COMMISSION OF ADJUDICATION

The Commission of Adjudication hereby presents to The United Lutheran Church in America in convention assembled in Des Moines, Iowa, a report of its activity during the biennium now closing.

After the elections at the convention in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in 1948, the membership of the Commission was constituted as follows:

Terms expiring in 1950:

Rev. P. W. H. Frederick, D.D., Fremont, Nebr.

Rev. Paul H. Roth, D.D., Minneapolis, Minn.

Hon. George A. Baldwin, Rochester, Pa.

Terms expiring in 1952:

Rev. George J. Gongaware, D.D., LL.D., Charleston, S. C.

Rev. M. L. Stirewalt, D.D., Columbia, S. C.

Hon. Robbin B. Wolf, LL.D., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Terms expiring in 1954:

Rev. R. R. Belter, D.D., Burlington, Iowa

Rev. E. E. Fischer, D.D., LL.D., Philadelphia, Pa.

Henry J. Arnold, Ph.D., LL.D., Oneonta, N. Y.

At a regularly called meeting in Philadelphia, October 11, 1948, the following officers were elected:

President—Rev. P. W. H. Frederick, D.D.

Vice-President—Rev. Paul H. Roth, D.D.

Secretary—Rev. George J. Gongaware, D.D., LL.D.

Clerk—Hon. Robbin B. Wolf, LL.D.

After the resignation of Dr. Robbin B. Wolf, Alexander S. Bauer, Esq. was nominated to fill the unexpired term. He was elected January 26, 1949.

After the resignation of Dr. Paul H. Roth, Rev. Benjamin H. Pershing, Ph.D., D.D. was nominated to fill the unexpired term. He was elected January 26, 1950.

After the resignation of Dr. Wolf, the Hon. George A. Baldwin was elected clerk of the Commission.

Meetings of the Commission during the biennium were held on the following dates: October 11, 1948; May 11, 1949, August 28, 1950; all in Philadelphia.

The Commission appreciates the faithful services of Dr. Paul H. Roth, vice president, who resigned because of the pressure of other duties, and those of Dr. Robbin B. Wolf, the former clerk of the Commission, who resigned to accept election to the Executive Board.

Since the term of service of the Rev. P. W. H. Frederick, D.D. expires this year, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"That the members of the Commission express to Dr. Frederick their sincere appreciation of his twelve years of service as a member of this body beginning in 1938, comprising two full terms. Having also been elected President in 1942, he has presided over the deliberations of this body with tact and wisdom, motivated at all times by a kindly Christian spirit and with an appreciation of the best interests of the Church.

The members of the Commission hereby extend their thanks and sincere appreciation to Dr. Frederick for these years of devoted service to the United Lutheran Church and wish for him and his loved ones, in the years ahead, God's richest blessing."

Henry J. Arnold, *Secretary pro tem*

### Action of the Commission of Adjudication of The United Lutheran Church

The following action was approved by a majority of the members of the Commission of Adjudication; two members dissented.

In the matter of the appeal of the Wartburg Synod dated June 14, 1949, and submitted to the Commission of Adjudication for consideration at its meeting on August 28, 1950, the Commission herewith informs the Wartburg Synod that under the present terms of the Constitution of the U.L.C.A., the Commission is empowered to determine questions of principle or action only when such questions have been referred to this Commission by resolution of:

1. The U.L.C.A. in convention assembled, or
2. By resolution of any of the constituent synods, or
3. By the Executive Board of the U.L.C.A.

Since this appeal has been submitted by the Executive Committee of the Wartburg Synod, the Commission of Adjudication finds itself unable to act on the appeal at this time. (See pp. 187-189, 206, 873)

P. W. H. Frederick, *President*
Henry J. Arnold, *Secretary pro tem*

In the course of his comments, Dr. Frederick remarked on the capable help given the Commission by the two members who found it necessary to resign in the course of the biennium, Dr. Robbin B. Wolf and the Rev. Paul H. Roth.

The Rev. Clemens H. Zeidler, chairman, presented the following report of the Committee on Memorials:

## REPORT OF
## COMMITTEE ON MEMORIALS FROM CONSTITUENT SYNODS

*(For action on the recommendations in this report, see p. 978)*

1. *From the Central Pennsylvania Synod*

> "That the Central Pennsylvania Synod memorialize The United Lutheran Church in America that at future conventions of the U.L.C.A. all special appeals shall receive final approval only at the time of adoption of the total budget, and that all approved special appeals shall be included under the heading, Part II, of the total budget."

In answer we Recommend that all special appeals shall receive final approval only at the time of the adoption of the total budget, but that approval of special appeals shall not be included under the heading, Part II, of the total budget. (Adopted, see p. 978)

2. "That the Central Pennsylvania Synod memorialize The United Lutheran Church in America to direct the Board of American Missions to seek out those established churches which might find it possible to assist financially in supporting new missions by direct gifts or by loans from endowment funds and seek out those churches whose pastors might assist in the establishment of chapel churches in developing communities." (Amended, see p. 978)

In answer we Recommend that this memorial be referred to the Board of American Missions for study and such action as it may deem necessary and appropriate. (Adopted, see p. 978)

3. *From the New York Synod*

> "In view of the fact that The United Lutheran Church in America has given no clear definition of the Office of the Ministry for the guidance of its synods and in the light of the conflicting and the confusing positions which its various synods have taken upon this matter, be it therefore Resolved, That Synod memorialize The United Lutheran Church in America to give special study

to this issue through a commission of seven appointed by the president, and to present a clear definition of the Office of the Ministry for the guidance of the Church in the light of our truest Evangelical Christian thought."

In answer we RECOMMEND that this memorial be adopted and that a report of such proposed commission be made at the next convention of the Church. (Adopted, see p. 978)

4. "That the Synod memorialize the U.L.C.A. to request its Board of Pensions and Relief to devise ways and means whereby a minimum annual pension of $600.00 might be guaranteed retired ministers."

In answer we RECOMMEND that this memorial be adopted. (Adopted, see pp. 978, 1056)

5. *From the Central Pennsylvania Synod*

"That the Central Pennsylvania Synod memorialize The United Lutheran Church in America that the Board of Pensions and Relief be requested to devise ways and means by which the minimum pension may be raised to $1,200.00."

In answer we RECOMMEND that this memorial be referred to the Board of Pensions and Relief for study and report to the next convention of the Church. (For action, see pp. 978, 1056)

6. *From the Ohio Synod*

"That the Synod of Ohio request The United Lutheran Church in America to authorize a restudy of the whole problem of youth work within our church, especially in relation to its support, scope, and relationship to the various boards and agencies of the church."

We RECOMMEND that this memorial be not adopted. (Adopted, see p. 978)

7. *From the Ministerium of Pennsylvania*

"That Synod memorialize The United Lutheran Church in America to make available to all congregations and pastors a comprehensive, and, if possible, classified summary of all its rules, regulations, recommendations, and resolutions now in force, pertaining to the pastor and congregation, thus promoting a greater uniformity in pastoral and parish practice through the church."

In answer we RECOMMEND that this memorial be referred to the Executive Board of the Church and to the Board of Publication for study and joint report to the next convention of the Church. (Amended, see p. 978)

8. "That the newly formed Radio Committee of the U.L.C.A.'s Executive Board be urged to investigate the possibilities of some kind of U.L.C.A. radio program of national scope."

In answer we RECOMMEND that this memorial be adopted and that such action be taken by the Committee on Radio and Television as it deems desirable and feasible. (Adopted, see p. 978)

9. "That the Ministerium of Pennsylvania memorialize the United Lutheran Church to formulate and declare a church policy and pastoral procedures with reference to the problem of mixed marriages."

In answer we RECOMMEND that this memorial be not adopted. (Amended, see p. 978)

10. *From the Wartburg Synod*

"Inasmuch as The United Lutheran Church in America has always believed that the ultimate authority is vested in its constituent synods and congregations, the Wartburg Synod memorialized The United Lutheran Church in America to the effect that membership in the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A. be referred for study and approval or disapproval

> of the constituent synods of The United Lutheran Church in America before actual entry of The United Lutheran Church in America into the proposed National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A."

In answer to the memorial from the Wartburg Synod, we refer the attention of that synod to the following provision of the constitution of The United Lutheran Church in America, a portion of Article VIII, Section I, which reads as follows: "The United Lutheran Church in America shall have power to form and dissolve relations with other general bodies, organizations and movements." We believe therefore that full authority is vested in this convention of The United Lutheran Church in America with regard to its relations with The National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A. (For action, see p. 979)

Recommendation 1 was adopted, p. 976.

Recommendation 2—The Reverend George H. Berkheimer presented the following amendment by addition to the recommendation of the Committee concerning the Central Pennsylvania Synod's Memorial on supporting new missions.

> "Not including the solicitation of direct gifts except during the approved period."

The amendment was adopted.

The recommendation as amended was adopted.

Recommendation 3 was adopted.

Recommendation 4—Dr. Harry Hodges made a motion to defer consideration of the recommendation until after the report of the Board of Pensions and Relief, on Wednesday, October 11.

The motion was adopted.

Recommendation 5—The Rev. Dwight F. Putman made a motion to defer consideration of the recommendation until after the report of the Board of Pensions and Relief, on Wednesday, October 11.

The motion was adopted.

Recommendation 6 was adopted.

Recommendation 7—The Honorable James F. Henninger presented the following amendment to the recommendation:

> "Moved to strike the words 'and to the Board of Publication for study and joint report at the next convention of the Church' and insert the words, 'in consultation with the Board of Publication for study and report to the next convention of the Church.' "

The amendment was adopted.

The recommendation as amended was adopted.

Recommendation 8 was adopted.

Recommendation 9—The Rev. Reno R. Frobenius presented the following substitute for the recommendation of the Committee:

> "Moved that this memorial be referred to the Board of Social Missions for study and report to the next convention of the Church."

The motion was seconded.

The Rev. George R. F. Tamke presented the following amendment to the substitute:

> "Moved to amend the substitute by striking the words, 'and report to the next convention of the Church' and inserting in their place the words, 'instructing the Board to consult pastors and congregations as widely as possible in the course of its study and to report the findings to the next convention of the Church.' "

The amendment was adopted.

The substitute as amended was adopted as the substitute.

The substitute motion was adopted.

With regard to Recommendation 10 (Wartburg Synod concerning the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America), the Hon. James F. Henninger presented the following motion:

> "Moved that the convention adopt the answer of the Committee as its reply to the Wartburg Synod."

The motion was adopted.

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The Rev. George W. Miley, chairman, presented the following report of the Committee on Place of Next Convention:

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLACE OF NEXT CONVENTION

Mr. President and Brethren of the Convention:

In consideration of the long hope of the Western Synods that a convention of the church be held on the Pacific coast, in appreciative cognizance of the encouragements which have been given looking toward the possible fulfillment of that hope, and realizing the helpful information and inspiration which will accrue to the whole Church by meeting in the west, the Committee on Place of Next Convention recommends:

> The acceptance of the invitation from the Pacific Synod to hold the 1952 Convention of the Church in Seattle, Washington.
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> The Committee reports, as information, that invitations have been received from the Synod of Western Canada and from the Synod of Canada for 1954, and from the Central Pennsylvania Synod for 1956.

In the course of vigorous and extensive debate on the recommendation of the Committee, a motion to refer the report and its recommendation back to the Committee was lost.

In due course the motion calling for the previous question was made.

The motion was adopted.

The recommendation of the Committee was adopted.

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The Rev. Edmund A. Steimle moved that the following motion (p. 639) be taken from the table:

> "Moved that the Supplemental Report of the Board of Social Missions entitled, 'A Christian Outlook on a Troubled World' be adopted by this convention and that our congregations be urged to use this statement as a basis for study and action."

The motion to take the above from the table was adopted.

Dr. Steimle requested that the house grant him leave to withdraw his motion.

The request was granted by vote.

The Rev. G. Elson Ruff presented the following motion:

> "Resolved that The United Lutheran Church in America commend to the congregations for careful study the statement of the 'Christian Outlook on a Troubled World' which was received by this convention as part of the report of the Board of Social Missions, and that the Board of Social Missions be encouraged to distribute this statement as widely as it finds possible."

The motion was adopted.

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The Rev. Ernst Schmidt was recognized for the presentation of the Report of the Committee on German Interests.

Rev. Schmidt introduced the Rev. William F. Herrmann, who began the presentation of the report.

At this point a motion to extend the session for thirty minutes was lost.

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GERMAN INTERESTS

(*For action on this report, see p. 1057*)

Your Committee begs to submit the following:

### I

### The Fifteenth General German Conference

During the past biennium the Fifteenth Conference was held on October 11 and 12, 1949 in Zion Lutheran Church, Brooklyn, New York, the Rev. Dr. Emil C. J. Kraeling, pastor emeritus, and the Rev. H. A. Kropp, pastor. A fine program had been prepared:

1. *The Message of the Church.* President Franklin Clark Fry, D.D. was the speaker, stressing the great spiritual needs of the church of today.

2. *The Service to the Church Over Here.* Pastor E. Selman presented an illuminating report on the only home missionary to all the German-speaking people within our U.L.C.A., namely, the *Kirchliches Monatsblatt.* It is doing a most valuable piece of work to the thousands of old immigrants and the new ones arriving. Pastor Dr. F. Foerster spoke of the need and possibilities for home mission work within our congregations. Pastor F. Friedrichsen of Montreal, Canada, reported on the service to our new immigrants, coming from western Europe through the port of Montreal. Pastor B. W. Pfeil presented a report of the work among our DPs, especially in the northern regions of New York State, where his labors of care and love have shown remarkable results.

3. *The Service of Our Church Overseas.* Pastor J. Bauchmann stressed the further need for Lutheran World Action; Pastor Dr. Erich Voehringer gave a vivid picture of the situation in the Lutheran orphaned missions, and Pastor Erwin Mueller spoke of the church life in Western Germany.

The social evening brought greetings and words of encouragement from pastors in western and eastern Canada, the States, and also from Germany. About 150 pastors, delegates and visitors attended the various sessions. The Conference was most inspiring. Appreciation was expressed to President Fry for his fine message and to the United Lutheran Church for its continued interest in and support of our *Kirchliches Monatsblatt.*

## II

## The Meeting of Your Committee and the Various Actions Taken

The annual meeting for 1950 was held in the Church House on January 24, attended by most of the members. A detailed report on the *Kirchliches Monatsblatt* was presented through Pastor H. A. Kropp to the Allocation Commission and the Executive Board of the U.L.C.A. in session on this particular day. He submitted a financial report and also expressed the gratitude of the Committee, under whose sponsorship this paper appears, for the financial aid granted last year in the amount of $1800. He pleaded strongly for the continuance of this worth-while paper and its support by our Church. The grant for the year was placed at $1500.

Among other items of importance for the day were the reports of various committees. Mr. Emil Mannherz of Tabor Lutheran Church, Philadelphia, has translated three valuable tracts on Stewardship into German, which will become available to all our German-speaking congregations. Thanks were expressed to the editor, Pastor Karl Schild, and the manager, Mr. Oskar Huber, both of Philadelphia, for their voluntary labors for the *Kirchliches Monatsblatt* and their sacrificial service. With appreciation we heard of the Publication House of the U.L.C.A. offering to many of our readers the German *Abreiss-Kalender*, providing a daily devotional message. Tabor Church in Philadelphia and Zion Church in Baltimore offer also the famous Stuttgart Jubilee Bible as well as a prayerbook, for any of our members. The Committee heard with interest the report that a student at the Philadelphia Seminary was granted a scholarship by the Board of Education of the U.L.C.A. to pursue further studies in German at Middlebury, Vermont.

The committee finally resolved to ask our representatives on the National Lutheran Council, Dr. F. C. Fry and Dr. P. C. Empie, to press for favorable action on the measure before Congress, to enlarge quotas for DPs as well as for admission of so-called *volksdeutsche.*

## III

## The Kirchliches Monatsblatt

We once more call attention to the singular importance of this paper, its aims and needs. It serves the German-reading constituency of the Church and promotes the work of the United Lutheran Church in all its parts and causes. It is the indispensable missionary tool in reaching and welcoming the immigrant and unchurched Germans here and in Canada, and serves as a key to open their home church to them. It also interprets the life and spirit of our Church to a large group of readers abroad, especially in Germany and South America. An effort will be made to send a copy to every pastor in the U.L.C.A. for approval and recommendation to any parent or other person in his congregation, or newcomers from abroad, such as DPs and others able to read and understand German.

Beginning with the May 1950 issue, this publication is being printed in Roman type, thus making it easy for almost everyone to read. Your Committee is unanimous in its conviction that the continuance of the *Kirchliches Monatsblatt* is essential to the best interests of the United Lutheran Church. It is also convinced that its continuance will not be possible without further financial assistance on the part of the Church. In the past three years the Executive Board and the Allocation Commission have most graciously provided such an annual subsidy, for which we are very grateful. Your Committee entertains the fond hope and hereby expresses the sincere wish that it may count upon this help in the future.

The undersigned subcommittee was appointed to draft this report and present it for your information and approval.

H. A. Kropp
C. Betz
F. O. Evers
J. F. Flegler
J. Foisel
J. Hamester
W. Herrmann
E. Schmidt

The president declared the session adjourned. The convention was led in prayer by the chaplain.

## SEVENTH MEETING

### First Session

KRNT Radio Theater, Des Moines, Iowa
Wednesday, October 11, 1950, 8:45 A.M.

The chaplain conducted the devotions.

Dr. James C. Kinard, chairman, presented the following report of the Committee of Reference and Counsel, and moved the recommendation:

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REFERENCE AND COUNSEL

We recommend that the statement of the President of the Church made to the convention yesterday on the subject of diplomatic relations between the United States Government and the Vatican or any other religious groups, be printed: that a copy be sent to every pastor of The United Lutheran Church in America and to every lay delegate to this convention; and that it be given such wider distribution as the Executive Board may find feasible.

The recommendation was adopted.

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The president called for the report of the Board of Pensions and Relief. It was presented by Mr. William G. Semisch, president, who, in introducing the report, outlined the principal activities of the Board during the biennium and described the division of its dollar resources and the way in which they are invested.

Mr. Semisch introduced Dr. Thomas L. Cline, executive secretary, who, before beginning his report, presented his predecessor, Dr. Harry Hodges, to the convention.

Dr. Cline stressed the importance of an increasingly generous response to the Advent Appeal of his Board and pointed out that funds received from that Appeal help greatly to relieve the plight of retired pastors and pastor's widows to whom the steady increase in the cost of living brings serious embarrassment.

Dr. Cline pointed to the proposed Family Protection Plan as another means of helping parsonage families meet emergencies. He also mentioned increase in the percentage paid by congregations under the Contributory Pension Plan as a means of increasing the security of pastors and their families.

Mr. Bertram M. Wilde, treasurer, requested, in the name of the Board, permission to add to the report of the Board the statement entitled, "Information Concerning Investment Policy of the Board of Pensions and Relief, and Concerning Common Stock Investment of Actuarial Funds" (p. 988). By common consent the permission was granted.

# THE REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PENSIONS AND RELIEF

*(For action on the recommendations in this report, see pp. 1019, 1055–1056)*

It is a matter of satisfaction to report that the members of the Board of Pensions and Relief have been faithful in their attendance and that they have carried on the work with efficiency and wisdom.

The basic pension of $300.00 under the Non-contributory Pension Plan to retired and disabled pastors and missionaries and $200.00 to widows has been paid promptly on a monthly basis. The receipts from apportionment have enabled us to pay a "special pension" or "annual grant" of $300.00 to eligible retired and disabled pastors and missionaries and $100.00 to widows for 1948 and 1949. These amounts can be maintained only by receipts from apportionment as budgeted by The United Lutheran Church in America.

Our pensioners under the Non-contributory Pension Plan total 1,228 and are divided synodically as follows:

| | *Retired* | *Dis-abled* | *Widows* | *Children* | *Miss.* |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| California | 21 | — | 14 | 1 | 1 |
| Canada | 4 | 1 | 22 | 8 | — |
| Central Pa. | 54 | 8 | 93 | 11 | 1 |
| Florida | — | 2 | 6 | — | — |
| Georgia-Alabama | — | 1 | 6 | 2 | — |
| Icelandic | 1 | — | 4 | — | — |
| Illinois | 17 | 2 | 40 | 3 | 2 |
| Indiana | 9 | 2 | 15 | 6 | — |
| Iowa | 4 | 1 | 5 | — | — |
| Kansas | 4 | — | 8 | 5 | — |
| Kentucky-Tennessee | — | 1 | 1 | — | — |
| Maryland | 20 | 1 | 24 | [illegible] | — |
| Michigan | 2 | — | — | — | — |
| Midwest | 18 | 2 | 13 | 4 | — |
| Mississippi | 1 | 1 | — | — | — |
| Nebraska | 4 | — | 13 | 2 | — |
| New York | 48 | 3 | 95 | 10 | — |
| N. Carolina | 20 | 3 | 19 | 2 | 1 |
| Northwest | 4 | — | 11 | 6 | — |
| Nova Scotia | — | 1 | 1 | — | — |
| Ohio | 22 | 2 | 55 | 11 | 3 |
| Pacific | — | 2 | 8 | — | — |
| Pennsylvania Ministerium | 46 | 4 | 96 | 15 | 4 |
| Pittsburgh | 32 | 3 | 56 | 6 | — |
| Rocky Mountain | 1 | 1 | 5 | — | — |
| Slovak Zion | 1 | 2 | 4 | 1 | — |
| S. Carolina | 8 | 1 | 12 | — | — |
| Texas | 4 | — | 1 | 1 | — |
| Virginia | 8 | 2 | 23 | 6 | — |
| Wartburg | 8 | 1 | 7 | 3 | — |
| W. Virginia | 1 | — | 4 | — | — |
| Western Canada | 2 | 1 | 11 | 11 | — |
| German Missionary widow No synod | — | — | 1 | — | — |
| | 364 | 48 | 684 | 120 | 12 |

This is an increase in number from 1948 of 66.

To date we have issued 2,595 Certificates of Membership under the Contributory Pension Plan.

| | |
|---|---|
| Active Members | 2,319 |
| Inactive Members | 51 |
| Temporarily Inactive | 84 |
| Beneficiaries | 141 |
| | 2,595 |

355 Certificates of Membership have been issued under the Lay Pension Plan with 73 employing organizations participating.

Our Emergency Assistance roll has shown little change. The number has been kept low in part by the "special pension" or "annual grant" which our pensioners have been receiving. However, the needs of those who request aid are greater. This year there are 60 on our Emergency Assistance roll. The amount granted this year is $12,305. Our Advent Appeal, the principal source of income for this work, brought in $10,520.29 and all of it has been committed for Emergency Assistance as of December, 1950.

The Board of Pensions and Relief at its May 5 meeting adopted the following resolutions (*see Recommendation 1, Sections* (*a*) and (*b*):

WHEREAS, The United Lutheran Church in America has from its organization been mindful of the necessity of providing adequate pensions, and

WHEREAS, The United Lutheran Church

in America has established the Contributory Pension Plan, membership in which for forty years will provide approximately one-half of the average salary of the member, and

WHEREAS, The Endowment Fund administered by The Board of Pensions and Relief of The United Lutheran Church in America provides as of the present only one-third of the amount necessary to pay the basic pension under the Non-contributory Pension Plan of $300.00 to pastors and $200.00 to widows, and

WHEREAS, An actuarial study of the increase in numbers of those eligible for pensions and their life expectancy indicates that our pension roll will increase yearly and that the amount needed for pensions under the Non-contributory Pension Plan will steadily increase so that by the year 1979 there will be over 1,900 on the pension roll of the Non-contributory Pension Plan and the amount needed for the annual payment of the present basic pension under the Non-contributory Pension Plan will be in the neighborhood of $450,000 of which the general apportionment will have to provide $350,000; therefore be it *Resolved*

(1) That no minister received for the first time on the clerical roll of any constituent synod of The United Lutheran Church in America after the calendar year 1952 and no commissioned missionary received on the roll after the calendar year 1952 shall be eligible for the benefits of the Non-contributory Pension Plan of The United Lutheran Church in America, and

(2) in anticipation of the time many years in the future when the income from the Endowment Fund will be more than sufficient to pay the stipulated basic pension to eligible retired and disabled ministers, missionaries, widows, and children under the Non-contributory Pension Plan, The United Lutheran Church in America declares its intention that such surplus future income be used to increase the pensions of members receiving the lowest benefits from the Contributory Pension Plan.

The following resolution was also adopted by the Board of Pensions and Relief and is presented to the Church for its approval (*see Recommendation 2*):

WHEREAS, There has been an insistent and growing demand particularly from the younger active members of the Contributory Pension Plan that The Board of Pensions and Relief of The United Lutheran Church in America prepare a death benefit plan on a group basis by which protection is offered for the families of these members while they are in active service of the Church, therefore, be it *Resolved,*

That The Board of Pensions and Relief of The United Lutheran Church in America deems it desirable and expedient to establish a death benefit plan on a group basis to be called the Family Protection Plan for active (non-pensioner) members of the Contributory Pension Plan (Note: "Active members" shall mean those members whose accounts are currently paid in full by December 31 of each and every calendar year. Those new members acquiring membership in the Contributory Pension Plan during a year can participate in the Family Protection Plan by paying the pro rata share to December 31 of the annual cost in addition to the required contributions under the Contributory Pension Plan) through a self-administered fund under the control of The Board of Pensions and Relief under the direction of the Executive Secretary in direct consultation with the President of the Board and the consulting actuaries, the Family Protection Plan to be self-sustaining, the cost of said benefit to be periodically determined by the Board, on the basis of actual experience, to be borne by the individual congregations or salary-paying organizations or, subject to the approval of the Board of Pensions and Relief, by these congregations and organizations and the participating members, or by the individual participating members alone, and

1) that the amount of the death benefit shall be as follows:

| *Age on birthday in the year of death* | *Amount of death benefit* |
|---|---|
| 60 or under | $3,000.00 |

| | |
|---|---|
| 61 through 65 | 2,000.00 |
| 66 through 70 | 1,000.00 |
| 71 or over | 500.00 |

2) that in order to initiate the Family Protection Plan at least 75 per cent of the eligible active (nonpensioner) members of the Contributory Pension Plan under the age of 60 in the year preceding the effective date of the plan shall agree to participate, and

3) that the continued operation of the Family Protection Plan shall be contingent upon the maintenance of a membership of at least 75 per cent of the eligible active (nonpensioner) members of the Contributory Pension Plan under the age of 60, and

4) that the cost shall be paid annually in advance January 1 of each and every year with the privilege of making payments in semiannual installments in advance January 1 and July 1, thirty days' grace being allowed for any such payments, and

5) that the initial annual cost shall be at the rate of $36 a year and the initial semi-annual cost shall be at the rate of $19 each six months, and

6) that the Board of Pensions and Relief shall set up a Contingency Reserve Fund for the Family Protection Plan in the amount of $60,000, and

7) that an actuarial review of the Family Protection Plan shall be made annually.

### Social Security

The Federal Social Security Act still excludes employees of religious organizations. As has been true every year since the original act was passed, Congress has come nearer extending the law than ever before—but has not reached the point of including such employees. In 1949 an amendment passed the House which would have brought lay employees of religious organizations under federal social security provisions, but the amendment did not reach the Senate in time for action before adjournment.

It seems very probable that the long-expected change will take place in 1950—but at the time that this report is being written it has not taken place. The Lay Pension Plan is still the logical means by which the boards, agencies and congregations of The United Lutheran Church in America can extend to its lay employees the sort of retirement protection which business and industry commonly assume as an obligation to be recognized wherever possible.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

The Board submits the following recommendations:

1. (*a*) That no minister received for the first time on the clerical roll of any constituent synod of The United Lutheran Church in America after the calendar year 1952 and no commissioned missionary received on the roll after the calendar year 1952 shall be eligible for the benefits of the Non-contributory Pension Plan of The United Lutheran Church in America, and (Adopted, see p. 1019)

(*b*) in anticipation of the time many years in the future when the income from the Endowment Fund will be more than sufficient to pay the stipulated basic pension to eligible retired and disabled ministers, missionaries, widows and children under the Non-contributory Pension Plan, The United Lutheran Church in America declares its intention that such surplus future income be used to increase the pensions of members receiving the lowest benefits from the Contributory Pension Plan. (Amended, see p. 1019)

2. The adoption of the following Constitution to establish the Family Protection Plan: (For action, see pp. 1019, 1055-1056)

### Purpose

The purpose of the Family Protection Plan is to provide protection to the families of eligible active (nonpensioner) members of the Contributory Pension Plan of The United Lutheran Church in America, additional to the benefits provided under the Contributory Pension Plan of The United Lutheran Church in America.

### Effective Date

The effective date of the Family Protection Plan shall be January 1 of the year following the approval of the plan by a convention of The United Lutheran Church in America and the enrollment under the plan of a membership of at least 75 per cent of the eligibles under the age of 60.

### Eligibility

All active (nonpensioner) members of the Contributory Pension Plan of The United Lutheran Church in America, whose accounts under the Contributory Pension Plan are currently paid in full to December 31 of each year prior to the effective date, shall be eligible for participation in the Family Protection Plan as of the effective date of the plan.

Those who acquire membership in the Contributory Pension Plan after the effective date of the Family Protection Plan may participate in the Family Protection Plan by paying the pro rata share from the date of eligibility to December 31 of the annual cost in addition to the required contributions under the Contributory Pension Plan. The date of eligibility of each such member shall be the date of his membership in the Contributory Pension Plan.

An eligible person who fails to acquire membership in the Family Protection Plan within 90 days after his date of eligibility may acquire such membership only upon presentation of evidence of good health satisfactory to The Board of Pensions and Relief of The United Lutheran Church in America.

### Death Benefit

The benefit under the Family Protection Plan shall be payable to the person or persons entitled thereto in the event of the death of a participating member of the plan. The amount of the death benefit shall be as follows:

| *Age on birthday in the year of death* | *Amount of death benefit* |
|---|---|
| 60 or under | $3,000.00 |
| 61 through 65 | 2,000.00 |
| 66 through 70 | 1,000.00 |
| 71 or over | 500.00 |

### Cost

The Family Protection Plan shall be self-sustaining both as to the cost of the benefits and the administrative expenses and shall be administered on a group basis. The aggregate cost of the protection shall be determined periodically by The Board of Pensions and Relief of The United Lutheran Church in America, hereinafter referred to as the Pension Board, on the basis of the actual experience.

Such cost shall be apportioned equally among the participating members of the Plan.

A participating member's share of the cost shall be borne by the congregation or other salary-paying organization of such member, except however, that such share of the cost may be borne jointly by the congregation or other salary-paying organization and the member, or by the member alone.

The cost payments shall be due annually in advance, January 1 of each year but may be paid in semi-annual installments on January 1 and July 1 of each year. A grace period of thirty days shall be allowed during which period the protection of the member shall continue in force.

### Individual Terminations of Membership

The protection of any member under the plan shall cease automatically upon the occurrence of any of the following events:

1) the termination of the plan

2) the cessation of cost payments on account of such member's protection hereunder

3) the termination of such member's active (dues-paying) membership in the Contributory Pension Plan

4) the failure to complete the required contributions by or on behalf of such member under the Contributory Pension Plan within thirty days following the end of the calendar year

5) the entering of such member upon a retirement or disability annuity under the Contributory Pension Plan

In the event of a termination of membership in a manner outlined above during a period of protection for which the cost has been paid, there shall be a refund of any unearned portion of the cost payment. However, in view of the fact that this protection is furnished on a year to year cost basis, there are no withdrawal equities payable at any time.

Following a termination of membership

as outlined under (2), (3), or (4) above, the protection of an eligible member may be rsumed only upon presentation of evidence of good health satisfactory to the Pension Board.

### Operation of the Plan

1) Administration

*a*) The Family Protection Plan shall be operated and administered by the Pension Board in accordance with this plan and such rules and regulations in harmony therewith as said Pension Board shall from time to time adopt. The Pension Board's construction and interpretation of any provision of this plan or of such rules and regulations shall be binding on all parties, except that an appeal therefrom may be taken by any interested party to the Executive Board of the Church and its decision shall be final.

*b*) The Pension Board may delegate its duties and powers in respect to the administration of the Family Protection Plan to its committees, officers, and agents. The action or decision of any such committee, officer, or agent, within the scope of the duties and powers so delegated, shall be deemed the action or decision of the Pension Board, but shall be subject to review by the Pension Board in disputed cases. The Pension Board's decision upon such review shall be final.

2) Liability

The funds and assets of the Family Protection Plan shall be and become liable to members and beneficiaries hereunder for the payment and discharge of their claims in the manner and to the extent provided above, but in no event shall any liability accrue against The United Lutheran Church in America for claims arising out of the establishment, maintenance, conduct, and operation of the Family Protection Plan, nor shall the funds and assets of the Church, or of its boards or agencies, other than the funds and assets of the Family Protection Plan of the Pension Board, become subject to, or liable for, any such claim or other liability. No action shall ever be maintainable in any court of law or equity against the Church to enforce such asserted claim or liability.

3) Investments

All funds of the Family Protection Plan shall be invested only upon the approval of the Pension Board or of its Finance Committee. Every such investment shall be promptly reported to the Commission on Investments of the Church which shall promptly ratify or disapprove such investment. Any investment disapproved by the Commission on Investments shall be sold within a reasonable time after the communication of such disapproval to the Pension Board.

4) Construction

This plan and rules and regulations adopted hereunder, and the rights of members and beneficiaries of the Family Protection Plan shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

### Amendments

This plan may be amended by the Church in convention or by joint action of the Executive Board and the Pension Board. Any such amendment shall be effective as of January 1 after the date of its adoption.

### General Provisions

1) Individual Certificates

The Pension Board will issue to each member whose life is protected under this plan an individual Certificate of Membership.

2) Assignment

No assignment by any member of any protection under this plan shall be valid.

3) Beneficiary

The beneficiary shall be the person or persons, having an insurable interest in the life of the member, designated by the member in writing, such designation to be filed with the Pension Board. Any member may from time to time, while protected hereunder, change the beneficiary by filing a written request with the Pension Board, but such change shall take effect only upon the receipt of the request for change at the office of the Pension Board.

Any death benefit for which there is no

beneficiary designated by the member or no such beneficiary surviving at the death of the member will be payable in a single sum to the first surviving class of the following classes of successive preference beneficiaries: the member's (*a*) widow or widower; (*b*) surviving children; (*c*) surviving parents; (*d*) surviving brothers and sisters; (*e*) executors or administrators. Under (*b*), (*c*) and (*d*) the benefit payable shall be on a share and share alike basis.

In the absence of the appointment of a legal guardian the death benefit payable to any minor may be paid at a rate not exceeding $50 per month to such adult or adults as have in the opinion of the Pension Board assumed the custody and principal support of such minor.

4) Termination of Plan

The continued operation of the Family Protection Plan shall be contingent upon the maintenance of a membership of at least 75 per cent of the eligible active (nonpensioner) members of the Contributory Pension Plan under the age of 60. If at the end of any calendar year the membership of the Family Protection Plan falls below the required 75 per cent of the eligibles under the age of 60, the plan shall automatically be terminated as of the end of such calendar year. (For action, see p. 1019)

Respectfully submitted,
W. G. Semisch, *President*
Thomas L. Cline, *Secretary*

## INFORMATION CONCERNING INVESTMENT POLICY OF THE BOARD OF PENSIONS AND RELIEF, AND CONCERNING COMMON STOCK INVESTMENT OF ACTUARIAL FUNDS

At a conference in Philadelphia, Pa., on September 19, 1950 "the method of securing convention action on the matter of common stock investments for the Contributory Pension Plan was thoroughly discussed." Participating in the conference were Mr. William G. Semisch, President; Mr. B. M. Wilde, Treasurer; and Dr. Thomas L. Cline, Executive Secretary of the Board of Pensions and Relief; and Mr. William H. Stackel, Chairman; Mr. Carl A. Warden, Secretary; and Mr. John H. Repass, member, of the U.L.C.A. Investment Commission. The following statement, prepared by Treasurer B. M. Wilde, is submitted to the convention at the request of the conferees as information in connection with the report of the Board of Pensions and Relief, pages 394 to 399 of the Bulletin of Reports:

### Information Concerning Investment Policy

"The Board of Pensions and Relief proposes at its semi-annual meeting in November, 1950, to amend the By-laws of The Board of Pensions and Relief to include Common Stocks as permissible investments for the funds of the Contributory Pension Plans.

"At the annual meeting of the Investment Commission of The United Lutheran Church in America held last February, the Commission unanimously recommended such action. The Pension Board approved of this proposal.

"By such action, The Board of Pensions and Relief will be merely conforming to what has become the generally accepted practice for Pension Funds and other types of Trust Funds. The search for adequate income and proper diversification of portfolio leaves no other choice.

"Needless to say that upon adoption of the amendment, common stocks will be purchased cautiously in modest amounts and in full co-operation with the Investment Commission of The United Lutheran Church in America.

### Common Stock Investment of Actuarial Funds

"In recent years there has been a tremendous increase in banking, insurance, and pension funds available for investment. This increase has been so great that there are not enough new corporate bonds being issued to absorb the cash which these funds are required to invest from month to month. This paucity of corporate obligations available for purchase is forcing larger amounts of money into U.S. Government bonds, on the one hand, and into real estate mortgages on the other.

"Because of this trend it is difficult to maintain a balanced portfolio. For example it is virtually impossible to invest in the important chemical industry without buying common stocks, since the chemical companies do not, generally, issue bonds on the market. In order to obtain an interest in most major industries in this country new forms of investment must be considered.

"Furthermore, in our changing economy, a flexibility in the choice of investments is increasingly desirable. There may be times when adequate diversification could be obtained by purchase of corporation bonds. At other times, like the present era, investment managers might cope with changing conditions more adequately without restricting their purchases to bond investments. During recent years there has been an increasing trend toward common stock investments on the part of Endowment, Trusteed and Pension Funds. State legislatures have studied this problem and are permitting common stock investments even by trust funds which are limited to 'legal securities.' Such action was taken by New York State just this year.

"There is another factor which is becoming increasingly important. Income available on common stocks is now generally much higher than the income available on bonds. The following table will show how this relationship has changed over the last 25 years. Although dividends tend to fluctuate from year to year, the average return on common stocks has been growing.

**Comparative Yields, Stocks and Bonds**

| *"Year* | *Bonds* | *Stocks* |
|---|---|---|
| 1925 | 5.47% | 4.99% |
| 1930 | 5.09 | 4.54 |
| 1935 | 4.46 | 4.06 |
| 1940 | 3.55 | 5.31 |
| 1945 | 2.87 | 4.19 |
| 1947 | 2.86 | 5.13 |
| 1949 | 2.96 | 6.63 |
| Recent | 2.84 | 5.90 |

"Source, Moody's averages Aaa-Baa bonds, and 200 Common Stocks.

"Investors in common stocks must face the problem of fluctuating market values. They must look to the soundness of enterprise, and invest only when market prices are reasonable and when economic conditions are generally favorable. Where these rules have been followed, the experience over many years of operation has been generally favorable. Sound diversification, entrance into growth industries, the gradual purchase of stocks at favorable average prices, and the setting up of appropriate reserves have been important factors in obtaining satisfactory results in the use of common stocks in diversified portfolios.

"The results of any investment program must be measured, not from one year to the next, but over the longer term and against the background of changing conditions as the future gradually unfolds.

"B. M. Wilde, *Treasurer*"

EXHIBIT "A"

# THE BOARD OF PENSIONS AND RELIEF
## NON-CONTRIBUTORY PLAN
### Balance Sheet
*June 30, 1950*

*Assets*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *General Fund:* | | | |
| Cash in banks: | | | |
| Unapplied | $ 88,829.70 | | |
| Reserved for current emergency assistance | 14,812.31 | | |
| Reserved for payment of special pensions | 22,092.77 | | |
| Total cash in bank | | $ 125,734.78 | |
| Petty cash on hand | | 75.00 | |
| Investments—reserved for payment of special pensions (Market value $75,000.00)—(Schedule I) | | 75,027.25 | |
| Due from Royal Bank of Canada (Canadian Exchange) | | 4,569.39 | |
| Unamortized bond and preferred stock premiums | | 11,316.06 | |
| Furniture and fixtures | | 6,259.45 | |
| Tax advances receivable | | 274.51 | |
| Total general fund assets | | | $ 223,256.44 |

*Liabilities, Reserves and Funds*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *General Fund:* | | | |
| Advance taxes paid by mortgagors | $ 153.40 | | |
| Reserve for payment of foreign pensions | 16,355.01 | | |
| Reserve for current emergency assistance | 14,812.31 | | |
| Reserve for payment of special pensions | 80,765.01 | | |
| Total liabilities and reserves | | $ 112,085.73 | |
| General fund unappropriated surplus | | 111,170.71 | |
| Total general fund liabilities and surplus | | | $ 223,256.44 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Special reserves: | | | |
| Reserve for payment of pensions—United States Government Bonds (Market value $242,250.00)—(Schedule I) | | $ 250,000.00 | |
| Reserve for emergency assistance: | | | |
| Cash in bank | $ 864.69 | | |
| United States Government Bonds (Market val. $55,064.06) — (Schedule I) | 55,550.00 | | |
| | | 56,414.69 | |
| Total special reserves assets | | | 306,414.69 |
| Total general fund assets | | | $ 529,671.13 |
| *Endowment Fund:* | | | |
| Cash in bank | | $ 10,322.33 | |
| Investments: (Note A) | | | |
| Bonds and stocks (Market value $3,401,727.66) — (Schedule I) | $3,387,019.21 | | |
| Mortgages Schedule II) | 116,641.26 | | |
| | | 3,503,660.47 | |
| Total endowment fund assets | | | 3,513,982.80 |
| *Annuity Fund:* | | | |
| Cash in bank | | $ 983.06 | |
| United States Government Bonds (Market value $96,900.00) | | 100,000.00 | |
| Total annuity fund assets | | | 100,983.06 |
| Total assets | | | $4,144,636.99 |

(See notes attached)

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Special reserves: | | |
| Reserve for payment of pensions | $ 250,000.00 | |
| Reserve for emergency assistance | 56,414.69 | |
| Total special reserves | | 306,414.69 |
| Total general fund liabilities, surplus and reserves | | $ 529,671.13 |
| *Endowment Fund:* | | |
| Reserve for depreciation in value of securities | $ 59,199.38 | |
| Endowment fund principal | 3,454,783.42 | |
| Total endowment fund reserves and principal | | 3,513,982.80 |
| *Annuity Fund:* | | |
| Liability on annuities outstanding | | 100,983.06 |
| Total liabilities, reserves and funds | | $4,144,636.99 |

EXHIBIT "[redacted]"

## Balance Sheet

*June 30, 1949*

### *Assets*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *General Fund:* | | | |
| Cash in banks: | | | |
| Unapplied | $ 67,317.29 | | |
| Reserved for current emergency assistance | 9,296.29 | | |
| Total cash in banks | | $ 76,613.58 | |
| Petty cash on hand | | 50.00 | |
| Due from Royal Bank of Canada (Canadian Exchange) | | 2,304.88 | |
| Unamortized bond and preferred stock premiums | | 13,543.87 | |
| Furniture and fixtures | | 5,165.00 | |
| Other assets | | 484.73 | |
| Total general fund assets | | | $ 98,162.06 |
| Special reserves: | | | |
| Reserve for payment of pensions—United States Government Bonds (Market value $247,000.00) | | $ 250,000.00 | |
| Reserve for emergency assistance—United States Government Bonds (Market value $55,000.00) | | 55,000.00 | |
| Total special reserves assets | | | 305,000.00 |
| Total general fund assets | | | $ 403,162.06 |

### *Liabilities, Reserves and Funds*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *General Fund:* | | | |
| Advance taxes paid by mortgagors | $ 162.30 | | |
| Reserve for payment of foreign pensions | 16,890.84 | | |
| Reserve for current emergency assistance | 9,296.29 | | |
| Total liabilities and reserves | | $ 26,349.43 | |
| General fund unappropriated surplus | | 71,812.63 | |
| Total general fund liabilities and surplus | | | $ 98,162.06 |
| Special reserves: | | | |
| Reserve for payment of pensions | | $ 250,000.00 | |
| Reserve for emergency assistance | | 55,000.00 | |
| Total special reserves | | | 305,000.00 |
| Total general fund liabilities, surplus and reserves | | | $ 403,162.06 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| *Endowment Fund:* | | | |
| Cash in banks | | $ 63,557.09 | |
| Investments: | | | |
| Bonds and stocks (Market value $3,187,718.78)—(Note A) | $3,221,173.70 | | |
| Mortgages | 140,216.42 | | |
| Total investments | | 3,361,390.12 | |
| Total endowment fund assets | | | 3,424,947.21 |
| *Annuity Fund:* | | | |
| Cash in bank | | $ 5,157.70 | |
| United States Government Bonds (Market value $98,800.00) | | 100,000.00 | |
| Total annuity fund assets | | | 105,157.70 |
| Total assets | | | $3,933,266.97 |

(See notes attached)

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *Endowment Fund:* | | |
| Reserve for depreciation in value of securities | $ 44,484.36 | |
| Endowment fund principal | 3,380,462.85 | |
| Total endowment fund reserves and principal | | 3,424,947.21 |
| *Annuity Fund:* | | |
| Liability on annuities outstanding | | 105,157.70 |
| Total liabilities, reserves and funds | | $3,933,266.97 |

### Notes to the Balance Sheets

Note A—By action of the Finance Committee, the following method has been adopted with respect to amortization of premiums on bonds and preferred stocks: "Bond premiums (including taxes, commissions, etc.) in excess of 2% to be amortized on a straight line basis to call or maturity date, whichever requires the highest rate.

"Preferred stock premiums (including taxes, commissions, etc.) to be amortized by the Finance Committee in such a manner that their book value would not at any time be in excess of the then current call prices.

"Bond premiums not in excess of 2% are to be charged off immediately at the time of purchase of the bonds."

Note B—In addition to the assets set forth on the appended balance sheet, the Board is the beneficiary of a trust fund of $50,312.28 held by The Western National Bank of York, York, Pennsylvania.

EXHIBIT "C"

## Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

### General Fund

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | | | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Operating Receipts:* | | | | | | |
| The United Lutheran Church in America: | | | | | | |
| Apportionment | | $274,749.98 | | | $274,750.00 | |
| Specials | | 212,034.11 | | | 207,851.63 | |
| | | | $486,784.09 | | | $482,601.63 |
| Donations: | | | | | | |
| Advent appeal proceeds applied as current operating receipts | | $ 6,273.37 | | | $ 1,175.55 | |
| General assistance | | 1,031.63 | | | 1,656.34 | |
| Orphans' care | | .... | | | 94.48 | |
| | | | 7,305.00 | | | 2,926.37 |
| The Women's Missionary Society | | | 5,000.00 | | | 10,000.00 |
| Interest from J. A. Hoober Trust Fund | | | 2,185.85 | | | 2,247.70 |
| Interest on bonds | | $ 70,156.17 | | | $ 67,622.51 | |
| Dividends on stocks | | 38,694.75 | | | 39,111.39 | |
| | | $108,850.92 | | | $106,733.90 | |
| Less: | | | | | | |
| Custodian fees | $ 2,102.18 | | | $ 2,182.03 | | |
| Amortization of premiums and write-off of other charges | 3,181.60 | | | 6,865.68 | | |
| | | 5,283.78 | | | 9,047.71 | |

| | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Net interest and dividends on securities | | 103,567.14 | | | 97,686.19 | |
| Mortgage interest | $ 6,933.64 | | | $ 8,421.44 | | |
| Less: Mortgage expense | 316.66 | | | 1,396.80 | | |
| Net mortgage interest | | 6,616.98 | | | 7,024.64 | |
| Profit on Canadian exchange | | (26.29) | | | 651.81 | |
| Discount earned on payment of real estate taxes | | 24.75 | | | 27.57 | |
| Miscellaneous income | | 201.93 | | | 1,328.79 | |
| Total operating receipts | | | $611,659.45 | | | $604,494.70 |
| *Other Receipts:* | | | | | | |
| Advent appeal proceeds applied to reserve for current emergency assistance | | $ 4,246.92 | | | $ 9,296.29 | |
| Unamortized bond and stock premiums on securities sold or exchanged | | 9,384.06 | | | 16,003.56 | |
| Foreign pensions payable | | .... | | | 1,773.34 | |
| Transfers from Royal Bank of Canada | | .... | | | 929.04 | |
| Prepaid insurance premiums recovered | | 100.00 | | | 58.27 | |
| Advance taxes paid by mortgagors | | 110.22 | | | 2.29 | |
| Proceeds from redemption of reserve for emergency assistance securities | | 55,000.00 | | | .... | |
| Income from investments—emergency assistance fund | | 1,414.69 | | | .... | |
| Proceeds from sale of office equipment | | 1,050.00 | | | .... | |
| Total other receipts | | | 71,305.89 | | | 28,062.79 |
| Total receipts | | | $682,965.34 | | | $632,557.49 |

Brackets ( ) denote red figures

| | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Operating Disbursements:* | | | | | | |
| Pensions: | | | | | | |
| Retired ministers | $112,375.00 | | | $117,850.00 | | |
| Disabled ministers | 12,250.00 | | | 7,175.00 | | |
| Widows of ministers | 135,133.34 | | | 133,733.25 | | |
| Transfer to reserve for payment of foreign pensions | 2,106.67 | | | 1,773.34 | | |
| Children of ministers | 5,925.94 | | | 5,734.21 | | |
| Missionaries | 3,250.00 | | | 2,725.00 | | |
| | | $271,040.95 | | | $268,990.80 | |
| Special pensions | $183,400.00 | | | $189,100.00 | | |
| Less: | | | | | | |
| Payments from contributory plan supplemental benefit fund | 2,216.67 | | | 1,800.00 | | |
| | | 181,183.33 | | | 187,300.00 | |
| Additional emergency assistance | | 12,305.00 | | | 9,378.00 | |
| Total pension and assistance payments | | | $464,529.28 | | | $465,668.80 |
| Administrative and general expenses: | | | | | | |
| Salaries—executive secretaries | | $ 4,000.00 | | | $ 4,500.00 | |
| Salaries—other office personnel | | 9,650.00 | | | 9,700.00 | |
| Promotion—general | | 257.53 | | | 601.60 | |
| Postage | | 878.77 | | | 883.44 | |
| Professional fees | | 2,850.00 | | | 2,115.00 | |
| Rental of office | | 1,896.00 | | | 1,896.00 | |
| Expenses of board members | | 963.36 | | | 683.65 | |

| | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Traveling expenses of executive secretary .......... | 844.83 | | | 1,112.86 | | |
| Office supplies and expenses .......................... | 4,128.56 | | | 3,058.24 | | |
| Lay pension premiums for employees ..................... | 3,058.93 | | | 399.98 | | |
| Lay pension payments .... | 1,200.00 | | | 600.00 | | |
| | $ 29,727.98 | | | $ 25,550.77 | | |
| Less: Contributory plan pro-rata share of administrative expenses .......... | 3,990.00 | | | .... | | |
| Total administrative and general expenses ................... | | 25,737.98 | | | 25,550.77 | |
| Total operating disbursements ................................ | | | $490,267.26 | | | $491,219.57 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Other Disbursements:* | | | | |
| Emergency assistance fund investments purchased | $ 55,550.00 | | $ .... | |
| Premiums on bonds and preferred stock purchased (Note A) | 7,156.25 | | 966.46 | |
| Transfer to reserve for emergency assistance | 864.69 | | 55,000.00 | |
| Transfer to reserve for depreciation in value of securities | .... | | 15,000.00 | |
| Purchase of office equipment | 2,144.45 | | 1,741.93 | |
| Employees Philadelphia Wage Tax remitted | .... | | 25.81 | |
| Increase in office petty cash fund | 25.00 | | 25.00 | |
| Taxes advanced for mortgagors | 8.90 | | 17.85 | |
| Payment of foreign pensions from reserve | 535.83 | | 820.00 | |
| Transfer to reserve for payment of pensions—loss on sale of securities | .... | | 48.29 | |
| Transfer to Royal Bank of Canada | 2,264.51 | | .... | |
| General cash reserve investments purchased | 75,027.25 | | .... | |
| Total other disbursements | | 143,576.88 | | 73,645.34 |
| Total disbursements | | $633,844.14 | | $564,864.91 |
| *Summary:* | | | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of period | | $ 76,613.58 | | $ 8,921.00 |
| Operating receipts | $611,659.45 | | $604,494.70 | |
| Less: Operating disbursements | 490,267.26 | | 491,219.57 | |
| Operating surplus for period ended June 30 | | 121,392.19 | | 113,275.13 |
| Other receipts | | 71,305.89 | | 28,062.79 |
| | | $269,311.66 | | $150,258.92 |
| Less: Other disbursements | | 143,576.88 | | 73,645.34 |
| Cash balance, end of period | | $125,734.78 | | $ 76,613.58 |

NOTE—The term "emergency assistance" is used in place of the term "relief" used in prior years' reports.

EXHIBIT "D"

## Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

### Endowment Fund

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Cash balance, beginning of period | | $ 63,557.09 | | $ 50,063.81 |
| *Receipts:* | | | | |
| Proceeds from sale or redemption of securities | $1,349,829.41 | | $1,743,265.39 | |
| Bequests | 67,861.51 | | 48,052.50 | |
| Mortgages paid in full or on account | 23,575.16 | | 30,904.72 | |
| Transferred from general fund to reserve for depreciation in value of securities | .... | | 15,000.00 | |
| Received from annuity fund on account of matured annuities | 1,459.06 | | 3,791.97 | |
| Donations, general | .... | | 389.00 | |
| Donations, Women's Missionary Society | 5,000.00 | | .... | |
| Total receipts | | 1,447,725.14 | | 1,841,403.58 |
| | | $ 1,511,282.23 | | $ 1,891,467.39 |
| *Disbursements:* | | | | |
| Securities purchased | | 1,500,959.90 | | 1,827,910.30 |
| Cash balance, end of period | | $ 10,322.33 | | $ 63,557.09 |

EXHIBIT "E"

## Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

### Annuity Fund

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Cash balance, beginning of period | | $ 5,157.70 | | $ 2,105.77 |
| *Receipts:* | | | | |
| Investments sold to endowment fund | $ .... | | $ 10,000.00 | |
| Interest on investments | 2,500.00 | | 2,750.00 | |
| Annuity contracts sold | 2,000.00 | | 1,500.00 | |
| Total receipts | | 4,500.00 | | 14,250.00 |
| | | $ 9,657.70 | | $ 16,355.77 |
| *Disbursements:* | | | | |
| Payments to annuitants | $ 7,215.58 | | $ 7,406.10 | |
| Matured annuities transferred to endowment fund | 1,459.06 | | 3,791.97 | |
| Total disbursements | | 8,674.64 | | 11,198.07 |
| Cash balance, end of period | | $ 983.06 | | $ 5,157.70 |

EXHIBIT "F"

## Statement of General Fund Surplus

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Surplus, beginning of period | | $ 71,812.63 | | $ 33,233.27 |
| Add: | | | | |
| Operating surplus for year | | 121,392.19 | | 113,275.13 |
| | | $193,204.82 | | $146,508.40 |
| Deduct: | | | | |
| Loss on sale of securities held in reserve for payment of pensions | $ .... | | $ 48.29 | |
| Transfer to reserve for emergency assistance | .... | | 55,000.00 | |
| Write-down of office alterations and equipment | .... | | 4,647.48 | |
| Transfer to reserve for depreciation in value of securities | .... | | 15,000.00 | |
| Transfer to reserve for current emergency assistance | 1,269.10 | | .... | |
| Transfer to reserve for payment of special pensions in 1950 | 80,765.01 | | .... | |
| | | 82,034.11 | | 74,695.77 |
| Surplus, end of period | | $111,170.71 | | $ 71,812.63 |

EXHIBIT "G"

## Statement of Endowment Fund Principal

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Balance, beginning of period | | | $ 3,380,462.85 | | $ 3,328,229.38 |
| Add: | | | | | |
| Matured annuities transferred from annuity fund | | $ 1,459.06 | | $ 3,791.97 | |
| Bequests received | | 67,861.51 | | 48,052.50 | |
| Donations — general | | .... | | 389.00 | |
| Donations — Women's Missionary Society | | 5,000.00 | | .... | |
| Gain on sale of securities | $ 14,715.02 | | | | |
| Transferred to reserve for depreciation in value of securities | 14,715.02 | | | | |
| | | .... | | .... | |
| | | | 74,320.57 | | 52,233.47 |
| | | | $ 3,454,783.42 | | $ 3,380,462.85 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Deduct: | | | | |
| Loss on sale of securities | $ .... | | $ 21,454.08 | |
| Transferred to reserve for depreciation in value of securities | .... | | 21,454.08 | |
| | | .... | | .... |
| Balance, end of period | | $ 3,454,783.42 | | $ 3,380,462.85 |

EXHIBIT "H"

## Statement of Annuity Fund Principal

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Balance, beginning of period | | $105,157.70 | | $112,105.77 |
| Add: | | | | |
| Interest on investments | $ 2,500.00 | | $ 2,750.00 | |
| Annuity contracts sold | 2,000.00 | | 1,500.00 | |
| | | 4,500.00 | | 4,250.00 |
| | | $109,657.70 | | $116,355.77 |
| Deduct: | | | | |
| Payments to annuitants | $ 7,215.58 | | $ 7,406.10 | |
| Matured annuities transferred to endowment fund | 1,459.06 | | 3,791.97 | |
| | | 8,674.64 | | 11,198.07 |
| Balance, end of period | | $100,983.06 | | $105,157.70 |

SCHEDULE I

## Investments
## Endowment Fund Securities
*June 30, 1950*

| Par Value | GOVERNMENT AND MUNICIPAL BONDS | Interest Rate | Maturity Date | Book Value | Market Value |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| $ 75,000. | Dominion of Canada, fifth victory loan | 3% | 1959-56 | $ 71,343.75 | $ 69,187.50 |
| 40,000. | Dominion of Canada, victory loan (Series L-2) | 3% | 1956-53 | 36,405.89 | 37,150.00 |
| 35,000. | Dominion of Canada, victory loan (Series P-3) | 3% | 1962-59 | 31,592.64 | 32,287.50 |
| 250,000. | Federal Land Banks, dated 10/1/49 | 1¾% | 1957-55 | 250,000.00 | 249,375.00 |
| 70,000. | United States Savings, Series "G", dated 3/1/1946 | 2½% | 3/1/1958 | 70,000.00 | 66,290.00• |
| 80,000. | United States Savings, Series "G", dated 1/1/1947 | 2½% | 1/1/1959 | 80,000.00 | 76,080.00• |
| 20,000. | United States Savings, Series "G", dated 9/1/1947 | 2½% | 9/1/1959 | 20,000.00 | 19,120.00• |
| 100,000. | United States Savings, Series "G", dated 1/1/1948 | 2½% | 1/1/1960 | 100,000.00 | 96,200.00• |
| 400,000. | United States Savings, Series "G", dated 7/1/1948 | 2½% | 7/1/1960 | 400,000.00 | 387,600.00• |
| 100,000. | United States Savings, Series "G", dated 8/1/1949 | 2½% | 8/1/1961 | 100,000.00 | 98,800.00• |
| 100,000. | United States Savings, Series "G", dated 2/1/1950 | 2½% | 2/1/1962 | 100,000.00 | 100,000.00• |
| 25,000. | United States Treasury | 2½% | 6/15/1967-62 | 25,000.00 | 25,835.94 |
| 1,000,000. | United States Treasury | 2½% | 12/15/1972-67 | 1,000,000.00 | 1,010,937.50 |
| | | | | $ 2,284,342.28 | $ 2,268,863.44 |
| | RAILROAD BONDS | | | | |
| $ 16,000. | Atlantic City Railroad Company, first consolidated mortgage | 4% | 1951 | $ 16,000.00 | $ 16,080.00 |
| 30,000. | Chicago and Western Indiana Railroad Company, first and refunding mortgage | 4¼% | 1962 | 30,000.00 | 31,200.00 |
| 25,000. | Pennsylvania Railroad Company, debentures, convertible | 3¼% | 1952 | 25,000.00 | 25,281.25 |
| 40,000. | Philadelphia and Baltimore Central Railroad Company, first mortgage | 4% | 1951 | 40,000.00 | 40,200.00 |
| 25,000. | Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington Railroad Company, general mortgage, Series "A" | 4% | 1960 | 25,000.00 | 26,250.00 |
| 25,000. | Philadelphia and Reading Terminal Railroad Company, first mortgage, sinking fund | 3½% | 1966 | 24,750.00 | 26,000.00 |
| 23,000. | Southern Railway Company, St. Louis Division, first mortgage | 4% | 1951 | 23,000.00 | 23,086.25 |
| | | | | $ 183,750.00 | $ 188,097.50 |

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• Redemption value

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | PUBLIC UTILITY BONDS | | | | |
| $ 25,000. | Columbia Gas System, Incorporated, debentures | 3¼% | 1973 | $ 25,000.00 | $ 26,000.00 |
| 25,000. | Consolidated Natural Gas Company, debentures | 2¾% | 1968 | 25,000.00 | 25,750.00 |
| 21,000. | Puget Sound Power and Light Company, first mortgage | 4¼% | 1972 | 21,000.00 | 22,050.00 |
| | | | | $ 71,000.00 | $ 73,800.00 |
| | INDUSTRIAL AND MISCELLANEOUS BONDS | | | | |
| $ 50,000. | C. I. T. Financial Corporation, debentures | 2⅝% | 1959 | $ 49,675.00 | $ 50,125.00 |
| 25,000. | Koppers Company, first mortgage | 3% | 1964 | 25,000.00 | 26,000.00 |
| | | | | $ 74,675.00 | $ 76,125.00 |
| | PREFERRED STOCKS | | | | |
| Shares | Public Utility | | Dividend Rate | Book Value | Market Value |
| 300 | Consolidated Edison Company of New York, cumulative | | $5.00 | $ 31,500.00 | $ 32,250.00 |
| 300 | Philadelphia Electric Company | | 4.40% | 30,000.00 | 34,650.00 |
| | | | | $ 61,500.00 | $ 66,900.00 |
| | Industrial | | | | |
| 200 | American Airlines, Incorporated, cumulative convertible | | 3½% | $ 20,000.00 | $ 13,200.00 |
| 600 | Northwest Airlines, Incorporated, cumulative convertible | | 4.6% | 15,000.000 | 9,225.00 |
| 100 | Southern Advance Bag and Paper Company, cumulative | | 4½% | 10,000.00 | 10,250.00 |
| | | | | $ 45,000.00 | $ 32,675.00 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | COMMON STOCKS | | |
| | Public Utility | | |
| 400 | American Gas and Electric Company | $ 14,176.56 | $ 19,400.00 |
| 150 | American Telephone and Telegraph Company | 23,213.70 | 22,800.00 |
| 400 | Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company | 14,800.00 | 16,900.00 |
| 600 | Consumers Power Company | 20,925.00 | 18,825.00 |
| 600 | Dayton Power and Light Company | 18,819.01 | 18,300.00 |
| 1,000 | Delaware Power and Light Company | 18,363.65 | 22,375.00 |
| 800 | Iowa Power and Light Company | 18,125.00 | 16,000.00 |
| 600 | Kansas City Power and Light Company | 17,437.50 | 15,750.00 |
| 800 | New York State Electric and Gas Company | 17,434.15 | 20,000.00 |
| 600 | Ohio Edison Company | 17,213.70 | 18,450.00 |
| 500 | Philadelphia Electric Company | 12,373.13 | 12,375.00 |
| 1,400 | Potomac Electric Power Company | 19,201.51 | 20,545.00 |
| 700 | Public Service Company of Indiana | 19,731.19 | 18,725.00 |
| 500 | Rochester Gas and Electric Company | 17,187.50 | 15,500.00 |
| 1,540 | Virginia Electric and Power Company | 25,424.19 | 27,912.50 |
| | | $ 274,425.79 | $ 283,857.50 |
| | Financial | | |
| 500 | Chemical Bank and Trust Company of New York, New York | $ 21,225.00 | $ 20,625.00 |
| 300 | Continental Illinois National Bank and Trust Company of Chicago, Ill. | 26,700.00 | 27,600.00 |
| 500 | First National Bank of Boston, Massachusetts | 25,187.50 | 24,375.00 |
| 400 | Girard Trust Company of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania | 16,300.00 | 18,400.00 |
| 500 | National City Bank of New York, New York | 20,850.00 | 21,375.00 |
| | | $ 110,262.50 | $ 112,375.00 |

| Shares | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | *Common Stocks:* | | |
| | INDUSTRIAL | | |
| 300 | Armstrong Cork Company | $ 14,737.50 | $ 14,325.00 |
| 330 75/100 | Eastman Kodak Company | 13,200.00 | 14,098.22 |
| 400 | General Electric Company | 14,537.50 | 18,150.00 |
| 200 | General Motors Corporation | 10,625.00 | 17,500.00 |
| 200 | Gulf Oil Corporation | 11,538.50 | 13,400.00 |
| 300 | Hercules Powder Company | 15,280.69 | 15,450.00 |
| 600 | International Nickel Company of Canada, Limited | 17,475.14 | 16,950.00 |
| 300 | Kennecott Copper Company | 13,875.00 | 16,500.00 |
| 250 | Liggett and Myers Tobacco Company | 20,587.50 | 20,500.00 |
| 300 | Montgomery Ward and Company, Incorporated | 17,112.50 | 16,200.00 |
| 400 | Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company | 14,975.00 | 14,700.00 |
| 400 | R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, class "B" | 15,737.50 | 14,050.00 |
| 200 | Sherwin-Williams Company | 14,625.00 | 11,300.00 |
| 209 20/200 | Standard Oil Company of New Jersey | 13,869.41 | 15,159.75 |
| 205 | Texas Company | 12,950.00 | 13,376.25 |
| 300 | Union Carbide and Carbon Company | 9,175.00 | 13,575.00 |
| 500 | United Carbon Company | 17,738.01 | 17,125.00 |
| 150 | United States Gypsum Company | 15,206.25 | 17,925.00 |
| 400 | F. W. Woolworth Company | 18,818.14 | 18,750.00 |
| | | $ 282,063.64 | $ 299,034.22 |
| | Total endowment fund securities | $ 3,387,019.21 | $ 3,401,727.66 |

*Summary:*

| Par Value |  | Book Values |  | Market Values |  |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|  | *Bonds:* |  |  |  |  |
|  | Government and Municipal | $ 2,284,342.28 |  | $ 2,268,863.44 |  |
|  | Railroad | 183,750.00 |  | 188,097.50 |  |
|  | Public Utility | 71,000.00 |  | 73,800.00 |  |
|  | Industrial and Miscellaneous | 74,675.00 |  | 76,125.00 |  |
|  | Total bonds |  | $ 2,613,767.28 |  | $ 2,606,885.94 |
|  | *Preferred Stocks:* |  |  |  |  |
|  | Public Utility | $ 61,500.00 |  | $ 66,900.00 |  |
|  | Industrial | 45,000.00 |  | 32,675.00 |  |
|  | Total preferred stocks |  | 106,500.00 |  | 99,575.00 |
|  | *Common Stocks:* |  |  |  |  |
|  | Public Utility | $ 274,425.79 |  | $ 283,857.50 |  |
|  | Financial | 110,262.50 |  | 112,375.00 |  |
|  | Industrial | 282,063.64 |  | 299,034.22 |  |
|  | Total common stocks |  | 666,751.93 |  | 695,266.72 |
|  | Total endowment fund securities |  | $ 3,387,019.21 |  | $ 3,401,727.66 |
|  | INVESTMENTS RESERVED FOR PAYMENT OF PENSIONS |  |  |  |  |
| $250,000. | United States Savings, Series "G" dated 7/1/1948 due 7/1/1960 |  | $ 250,000.00 |  | $ 242,250.00* |
|  | ANNUITY FUND |  |  |  |  |
| $100,000. | United States Savings, Series "G" dated 7/1/1948 due 7/1/1960 |  | $ 100,000.00 |  | $ 96,900.00* |
|  | INVESTMENTS RESERVED FOR PAYMENT OF SPECIAL PENSIONS |  |  |  |  |
| $ 75,000. | United States Treasury Certificates of Indebtedness, 1¼% dated 7/1/1949 due 7/1/1950 |  | $ 75,027.25 |  | $ 75,000.00* |
|  | INVESTMENTS RESERVED FOR EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE |  |  |  |  |
| $ 15,000. | United States Treasury, 2½% due 12/15/1972-67 | $ 15,450.00 |  | $ 15,164.06 |  |
| 40,000. | Federal Land Banks, 1¾% dated 10/1/1949 due 10/1/1957-55 | 40,100.00 |  | 39,900.00 |  |
|  |  |  | $ 55,550.00 |  | $ 55,064.06 |

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*Redemption value

SCHEDULE II

## Summary of Mortgages Owned

*June 30, 1950*

| Total Number of Mortgages | Total Amount of Mortgages | Appraised Value of Properties Covered by Mortgages | Assessed Value of Properties Covered by Mortgages |
|---|---|---|---|
| 49 | $116,641.26 | $255,950.00 | $231,900.00 |

## Accountant's Certificate

The Board of Pensions and Relief of
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

We have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of The Board of Pensions and Relief of The United Lutheran Church in America, Non-Contributory Plan, for the years ended June 30, 1950 and June 30, 1949. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying balance sheets and supporting statements of cash receipts and disbursements present fairly the financial position of the Non-Contributory Plan of The Board of Pensions and Relief of The United Lutheran Church in America and the results of its operations for the biennium July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950 in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding biennium with the exception that the excess of receipts for emergency assistance over disbursements have been reserved for current emergency assistance and not credited to the general fund surplus.

TAIT, WELLER & BAKER
*Certified Public Accountants*

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
July 24, 1950

EXHIBIT "A"

## THE BOARD OF PENSIONS AND RELIEF

## CONTRIBUTORY PLAN

### Balance Sheet

*June 30, 1950*

*Assets*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Cash in bank | | $ 9,680.09 |
| Accrued income receivable | | 9,893.25 |
| Investments: | | |
| Bonds and stocks (Market value $2,044,713.37) Schedule I | $2,050,206.50 | |
| Mortgages—Schedule II | 299,397.22 | |
| Total investments | | 2,349,603.72 |
| Premiums paid on purchase of mortgages | | 4,301.00 |
| Total assets | | $2,373,478.06 |

*Liabilities and Reserves*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Contributory members accounts | $1,813,409.73 | |
| Lay members accounts | 152,424.23 | |
| Total liability to members | | $1,965,833.96 |
| Pension Reserve Fund | | 59,180.29 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Other reserves: | | |
| Supplemental Benefit Fund | $ 139,824.44 | |
| Expense Fund | 53,322.33 | |
| Contingent Fund | 155,317.04 | |
| Total other reserves | | 348,463.81 |
| Total liabilities and reserves | | $2,373,478.06 |

EXHIBIT "B"

## Balance Sheet

*June 30, 1949*

### *Assets*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Cash in bank | | $ 32,537.80 |
| Accrued interest receivable | | 11,359.46 |
| Investments: | | |
| Bonds and stocks (Market value $1,430,865.00) | $1,437,257.59 | |
| Mortgages | 186,448.78 | |
| Total investments | | 1,623,706.37 |
| Total assets | | $1,667,603.63 |

### *Liabilities and Reserves*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Deposit by mortgagor to bind payment for property improvements | | $ 1,000.00 |
| Contributory members accounts | $1,284,100.38 | |
| Lay members accounts | 114,306.34 | |
| Total liability to members | | 1,398,406.72 |
| Pension Reserve Fund | | 32,086.46 |
| Other reserves: | | |
| Supplemental Benefit Fund | $ 101,522.80 | |
| Expense Fund | 37,890.15 | |
| Contingent Fund | 96,697.50 | |
| Total other reserves | | 236,110.45 |
| Total liabilities and reserves | | $1,667,603.63 |

EXHIBIT "C"

## Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | | | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Receipts:* | | | | | | |
| Distribution of receipts from contributory members: | | | | | | |
| Contributory members' account | | $531,060.79 | | | $485,660.72 | |
| Expense Fund | | 38,154.14 | | | 34,839.10 | |
| Contingent Fund | | 38,154.20 | | | 34,839.17 | |
| Total receipts from contributory members | | | $ 607,369.13 | | | $555,338.99 |
| Distribution of receipts from lay members: | | | | | | |
| Lay members' accounts | | $ 42,197.60 | | | $ 35,293.79 | |
| Expense Fund | | 2,544.18 | | | 2,291.05 | |
| Contingent Fund | | 2,544.24 | | | 2,291.06 | |
| Total receipts from lay members | | | 47,286.02 | | | 39,875.90 |
| Allocation from Part II Budget United Lutheran Church in America to Supplemental Benefit Fund | | | 37,499.99 | | | 25,000.00 |
| Income from investments | | $ 59,865.50 | | | $ 32,796.47 | |
| Less: | | | | | | |
| Custodian fees | $ 559.42 | | | $ 446.00 | | |
| Write-off of premiums and other charges | 105.04 | | | 503.13 | | |
| | | 664.46 | | | 949.13 | |
| Net income from investments | | | 59,201.04 | | | $ 31,847.34 |
| Proceeds from sale of securities | | | 591,995.55 | | | 235,593.75 |
| Proceeds from reduction of mortgage principal | | | 13,338.18 | | | 7,954.96 |
| Discount earned and other miscellaneous income | | | 3.01 | | | 17.44 |
| Total receipts | | | $1,356,692.92 | | | $895,628.38 |
| *Disbursements:* | | | | | | |
| Operating expenses: | | | | | | |
| Salaries—Executive secretary (pro-ration) | | $ 4,000.00 | | | $ 2,000.00 | |
| Salaries—Other office personnel | | 12,700.00 | | | 13,500.00 | |
| Legal and professional fees | | 925.00 | | | 925.00 | |
| Promotional | | 154.60 | | | 593.95 | |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| Postage | 360.56 | | 334.50 | |
| Stationery and office supplies | 611.80 | | 288.26 | |
| Lay Pension dues of employees | 795.87 | | 612.47 | |
| Office equipment purchased | 1,728.31 | | 1,624.71 | |
| Pro-rata share of administrative expenses paid to Non-Contributory Plan | 3,990.00 | | . . . | |
| Total operating expenses | | $ 25,266.14 | | $ 19,878.89 |
| Refunds: | | | | |
| Withdrawing lay members | $ 3,761.34 | | $ 4,073.65 | |
| Employers of withdrawing lay members | 3,807.47 | | 2,321.41 | |
| Retiring or deceased contributory members | 692.53 | | 1,180.19 | |
| Withdrawing contributory members | 3,614.32 | | 1,089.48 | |
| Deceased lay member | 42.51 | | .... | |
| Escrow account refunded to Board of American Missions | 12,792.46 | | .... | |
| Total refunds | | $ 24,710.63 | | 8,664.73 |
| Pensions paid: | | | | |
| Retirement pensions paid to contributory members | $ 2,358.10 | | $ 1,421.07 | |
| Retirement pensions paid to lay members | 1,018.31 | | 723.08 | |
| Total pensions | | 3,376.41 | | 2,144.15 |
| Annual supplemental benefit grants | | 2,216.67 | | 1,800.00 |
| Securities purchased | | 1,192,393.16 | | 722,190.55 |
| Mortgages purchased | | 126,286.62 | | 150,000.00 |
| Premiums paid on purchase of mortgages | | 4,301.00 | | .... |
| Return of deposit to mortgagor | | 1,000.00 | | .... |
| Total disbursements | | $ 1,379,550.63 | | $904,678.32 |
| *Summary:* | | | | |
| Total disbursements | $ 1,379,550.63 | | $904,678.32 | |
| Total receipts | 1,356,692.92 | | 895,628.38 | |
| Decrease in cash balance for year | | $ 22,857.71 | | $ 9,049.94 |
| Cash balance—Beginning | | 32,537.80 | | 41,587.74 |
| Cash balance—Ending | | $ 9,680.09 | | $ 32,537.80 |

EXHIBIT "D"

## Statement of Members Accounts

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | | | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Contributory Members Accounts* | | | | | | |
| Balance, beginning of period | | | $ 1,284,100.38 | | | $ 786,884.72 |
| *Add:* | | | | | | |
| Contributory members receipts | | $531,060.79 | | | $485,660.72 | |
| Interest accumulations | | 44,764.28 | | | 29,929.99 | |
| Transfer from Lay members accounts | | 274.57 | | | .... | |
| Prior years adjustment—Contributory members receipts | | .... | | | 15.06 | |
| | | $576,099.64 | | | $515,605.77 | |
| *Deduct:* | | | | | | |
| Payments to withdrawing or retired members | $ 4,306.85 | | | $ 2,269.67 | | |
| Transfers to Supplemental Benefit Fund | 185.67 | | | 185.17 | | |
| Transfers to Pension Reserve Fund | 29,170.29 | | | 15,935.27 | | |
| Refund of escrow account to Board of American Missions | 12,792.46 | | | .... | | |
| Transfers to Lay members accounts | 335.02 | | | .... | | |
| | | 46,790.29 | | | 18,390.11 | |
| Net accumulation | | | 529,309.35 | | | 497,215.66 |
| Balance, end of period | | | $ 1,813,409.73 | | | $ 1,284,100.38 |
| *Lay Members Accounts* | | | | | | |
| Balance, beginning of period | | | $ 114,306.34 | | | $ 88,951.41 |
| *Add:* | | | | | | |
| Lay members receipts | | $ 42,197.60 | | | $ 35,293.79 | |
| Interest accumulations | | 3,503.03 | | | 2,905.64 | |
| Transfers from Contributory members accounts | | 335.02 | | | .... | |
| | | $ 46,035.65 | | | $ 38,199.43 | |

| | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Deduct:* | | | | | | |
| Refunds to employees on account of withdrawals | $ 3,761.34 | | | $ 4,073.65 | | |
| Refunds to employers on account of withdrawals | 3,807.47 | | | 2,321.41 | | |
| Lay members accumulations transferred to Contingent Fund | 31.87 | | | 27.40 | | |
| Transfers to Pension Reserve Fund | .... | | | 6,422.04 | | |
| Transfers to Contributory members accounts | 274.57 | | | .... | | |
| Payment on account of deceased Lay member | 42.51 | | | .... | | |
| | | 7,917.76 | | | 12,844.50 | |
| Net accumulation | | | 38,117.89 | | | 25,354.93 |
| Balance, end of period | | | $ 152,424.23 | | | $ 114,306.34 |

EXHIBIT "E"

### Statement of Changes in Pension Reserve Fund

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Balance, beginning of period | | $ 32,086.46 | | $ 11,170.38 |
| Add: | | | | |
| Contributory members accounts transferred to Pension Reserve Fund | $ 29,170.29 | | $ 15,935.27 | |
| Lay members accounts transferred to Pension Reserve Fund | .... | | 6,422.04 | |
| Interest for the year | 1,299.95 | | 702.92 | |
| | | 30,470.24 | | 23,060.23 |
| | | $ 62,556.70 | | $ 34,230.61 |
| Deduct: | | | | |
| Pensions paid to Contributory members | $ 2,358.10 | | $ 1,421.07 | |
| Pensions paid to Lay members | 1,018.31 | | 723.08 | |
| | | 3,376.41 | | 2,144.15 |
| Balance, end of period | | $ 59,180.29 | | $ 32,086.46 |

EXHIBIT "F"

## Statement of Changes in Other Reserve Funds

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950 | | July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Supplemental Benefit Fund:* | | | | |
| Balance, beginning of period | | $101,522.80 | | $ 76,008.39 |
| Add: | | | | |
| Allocation from Part II Budget, United Lutheran Church in America | $ 37,499.99 | | $ 25,000.00 | |
| Congregational accumulations transferred by reason of withdrawals of Contributory members | 185.67 | | 185.17 | |
| Interest for the year | 2,832.65 | | 2,129.24 | |
| | | 40,518.31 | | 27,314.41 |
| | | $142,041.11 | | $103,322.80 |
| Deduct: | | | | |
| Annual Supplemental Benefit Grants | | 2,216.67 | | 1,800.00 |
| Balance, end of period | | $139,824.44 | | $101,522.80 |
| *Expense Fund:* | | | | |
| Balance, beginning of period | | $ 37,890.15 | | $ 20,653.91 |
| Add: | | | | |
| Expense Fund deductions from Contributory members receipts | $ 38,154.14 | | $ 34,839.10 | |
| Expense Fund deductions from Lay members receipts | 2,544.18 | | 2,291.05 | |
| | | 40,698.32 | | 37,130.15 |
| | | $ 78,588,47 | | $ 57,784.06 |
| Deduct: | | | | |
| Operating expenses for the year | $ 25,266.14 | | $ 19,878,89 | |
| Prior years adjustment of operating expenses | .... | | 15.02 | |
| | | 25,266.14 | | 19,893.91 |
| Balance, end of period | | $ 53,322.33 | | $ 37,890.15 |

| | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Contingent Fund:* | | | | | | | | |
| Balance, beginning of period | | | | $ 96,697.50 | | | | $ 60,980.94 |
| Add: | | | | | | | | |
| Contingent Fund deductions from Contributory members receipts | | | $ 38,154.20 | | | | $ 34,839.17 | |
| Contingent Fund deductions from Lay members receipts | | | 2,544.24 | | | | 2,291.06 | |
| | | | $ 40,698.44 | | | | $ 37,130.23 | |
| Income from investments | | $ 58,399.29 | | | | $ 38,874.17 | | |
| Less: | | | | | | | | |
| Custodian fees | $ 559.42 | | | | $ 446.00 | | | |
| Amortization of bond and preferred stock premiums | 2,776.83 | | | | 2,152.04 | | | |
| Mortgage expense | 105.04 | | | | .... | | | |
| | | 3,441.29 | | | | 2,598.04 | | |
| | | | 54,958.00 | | | | 36,276.13 | |
| Employers accumulated credits transferred from Lay members accounts | | | 34.88 | | | | 44.80 | |
| Net gain or (loss) from sale of securities | | | 15,328.13 | | | | (2,066.81) | |
| | | | | 111,019.45 | | | | 71,384.35 |
| | | | | $207,716.95 | | | | $132,365.29 |
| *Deduct:* | | | | | | | | |
| Interest credited to Contributory members accounts | | | $ 44,764.28 | | | | $ 29,929.99 | |
| Interest credited to Lay Members accounts | | | 3,503.03 | | | | 2,905.64 | |
| Interest credited to Pension Reserve Fund | | | 1,299.95 | | | | 702.92 | |
| Interest credited to Supplemental Benefit Fund | | | 2,832.65 | | | | 2,129.24 | |
| | | | | 52,399.91 | | | | 35,667.79 |
| Balance, end of period | | | | $155,317.04 | | | | $ 96,697.50 |

Brackets (    ) denote red figures.

## Securities Owned

*June 30, 1950*

| Par Value | GOVERNMENT AND MUNICIPAL BONDS | Interest Rate | Maturity Date | Book Value | Market Value |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| $ 50,000. | International Bank for Reconstruction and Development | 3% | 1972 | $ 51,250.00 | $ 51,687.50 |
| 30,000. | United States Savings, Series "G", dated 3/1/1946 | 2½% | 3/1/1958 | 30,000.00 | 28,410.00* |
| 20,000. | United States Savings, Series "G", dated 1/1/1947 | 2½% | 1/1/1959 | 20,000.00 | 19,020.00* |
| 80,000. | United States Savings, Series "G", dated 9/1/1947 | 2½% | 9/1/1959 | 80,000.00 | 76,480.00* |
| 50,000. | United States Savings, Series "G", dated 1/1/1948 | 2½% | 1/1/1960 | 50,000.00 | 48,100.00* |
| 50,000. | United States Savings, Series "G", dated 2/1/1948 | 2½% | 2/1/1960 | 50,000.00 | 48,100.00* |
| 100,000. | United States Savings, Series "G", dated 1/1/1949 | 2½% | 1/1/1961 | 100,000.00 | 97,800.00* |
| 100.000. | United States Savings, Series "G", dated 1/1/1950 | 2½% | 1/1/1962 | 100,000.00 | 100,000.00* |
| 550,000. | United States Treasury | 2½% | 12/15/1972-67 | 558,600.00 | 556,015.63 |
| 100,000. | United States Treasury | 2½% | 6/15/1967-62 | 104,548.00 | 103,343.75 |
| 50,000. | United States Treasury Bills, dated 5/4/50 | | 8/3/1950 | 49,943.99 | 49,943.99 |
| | | | | $ 1,194,341.99 | $ 1,178,900.87 |
| | RAILROAD BONDS | | | | |
| $ 25,000. | Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad Company, Refunding and Improvement Mortgage, Series "E" | 3½% | 1996 | $ 26,075.00 | $ 25,125.00 |
| 50,000. | Chicago and Western Indiana Railroad Company, Consolidated | 4% | 1952 | 51,325.00 | 51,000.00 |
| 25,000. | Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company, First and Refunding Mortgage, Series "H" | 3¾% | 2003 | 24,280.00 | 24,687.50 |
| 50,000. | Pennsylvania Company, Collateral Trust Serial Bonds | 3.30% | 1961 | 50,000.00 | 49,375.00 |
| 15,000. | Southern Railway Company, First Consolidated Mortgage | 5% | 1994 | 18,564.00 | 16,950.00 |
| 25,000. | Union Pacific Railway Company, Debentures | 2⅞% | 1976 | 24,379.24 | 25,750.00 |
| | | | | $ 194,623.24 | $ 192.887.50 |

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* Redemption value

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | PUBLIC UTILITY BONDS | | | | |
| $ 10,000. | American Telephone and Telegraph Company, Debentures | 2¾% | 1980 | $ 10,000.00 | $ 9,925.00 |
| 25,000. | Consolidated Natural Gas Company, Debentures | 2¾% | 1968 | 25,000.00 | 25,750.00 |
| 50,000. | New England Telephone and Telegraph Company, Debentures | 3% | 1982 | 50,940.00 | 52,125.00 |
| 25,000. | Pacific Gas and Electric Company, First and Refunding Mortgage, Series "Q" | 2⅞% | 1980 | 24,752.00 | 25,500.00 |
| 25,000. | Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, Debentures | 3⅛% | 1987 | 25,640.00 | 26,375.00 |
| | | | | $ 136,332.00 | $ 139,675.00 |
| | INDUSTRIAL BONDS | | | | |
| $ 50,000. | C. I. T. Financial Corporation, Debentures | 2⅝% | 1959 | $ 50,000.00 | $ 50,125.00 |
| 50,000. | Phillips Petroleum Company, Convertible Debentures | 2⅜% | 1975 | 52,320.40 | 52,625.00 |
| | | | | $ 102,320.40 | $ 102,750.00 |
| Shares | PREFERRED STOCKS<br>PUBLIC UTILITY | | Dividend Rate | | |
| 500 | Central Arizona Light and Power Company, Cumulative | | $2.50 | $ 25,000.00 | $ 24,500.00 |
| 400 | Consolidated Edison Company of New York | | $5.00 | 42,688.87 | 43,000.00 |
| 800 | Illinois Power Company, Cumulative | | 4.08% | 40,800.00 | 40,000.00 |
| 800 | Interstate Power Company | | 4.70% | 41,200.00 | 38,800.00 |
| 1,000 | Pacific Gas and Electric Company, First Preferred, Series "A" | | 5% | 26,650.00 | 28,500.00 |
| 300 | Pacific Lighting Corporation, Cumulative | | $4.50 | 30,400.00 | 31,200.00 |
| 400 | Panhandle Eastern Pipeline Company, Cumulative | | 4% | 40,000.00 | 42,400.00 |
| 200 | Philadelphia Electric Company, Cumulative | | 4.40% | 22,100.00 | 23,100.00 |
| 400 | Public Service Electric and Gas Company, Cumulative | | 4.08% | 40,750.00 | 40,800.00 |
| 300 | Rochester Gas and Electric Company, Series "H" | | 4.10% | 30,000.00 | 30,600.00 |
| 400 | Tennessee Gas and Transmission Company, Cumulative | | 4.65% | 41,600.00 | 42,400.00 |
| | | | | $ 381,188.87 | $ 385,300.00 |
| | INDUSTRIAL | | | | |
| 400 | Monsanto Chemical Company, Cumulative, Convertible, Series "B" | | $4.00 | $ 41,400.00 | $ 45,200.00 |
| | Total securities owned | | | $ 2,050,206.50 | $ 2,044,713.37 |

*Summary:*

| | Book Value | | Market Value | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Bonds:* | | | | |
| Government and Municipal | $ 1,194,341.99 | | $ 1,178,900.87 | |
| Railroad | 194,623.24 | | 192,887.50 | |
| Public Utility | 136,332.00 | | 139,675.00 | |
| Industrial | 102,320.40 | | 102,750.00 | |
| Total bonds | | $ 1,627,617.63 | | $ 1,614,213.37 |
| *Preferred Stocks:* | | | | |
| Public Utility | $ 381,188.87 | | $ 385,300.00 | |
| Industrial | 41,400.00 | | 45,200.00 | |
| Total preferred stocks | | 422,588.87 | | 430,500.00 |
| Total securities | | $ 2,050.206.50 | | $ 2,044,713.37 |

## Mortgages

*June 30, 1950*

| Property | Rate of Interest | Net Amount of Mortgage |
|---|---|---|
| 16 Booth Lane, Haverford, Pennsylvania | 4% | $ 5,100.00 |
| 3556 North Broad Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania | 4% | 6,408.32 |
| 2010 Church Lane, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania | 4½% | 3,671.07 |
| 1423 Cottman Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania | 4% | 3,541.25 |
| 5209 "D" Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania | 4½% | 7,879.61 |
| 723 Disston Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania | 4½% | 6,927.35 |
| 422 Edgemore Road, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania | 4½% | 6,981.94 |
| 434 Edgemore Road, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania | 4½% | 5,984.52 |
| 1216 West Erie Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania | 5% | 1,822.13 |
| 6714 North Gratz Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania | 4½% | 5,571.05 |
| 305 Jericho Road, Abington, Pennsylvania | 4% | 6,167.39 |
| 231 Madison Avenue, New York City, New York | 4% | 140,000.00 |
| 719 Morgan Avenue, Upper Darby Township, Pennsylvania | 4½% | 8,953.47 |
| 5971 Norwood Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania | 4% | 1,800.00 |
| 229 East Oakdale Street, Glenside, Pennsylvania | 4% | 2,145.00 |
| 6424 Ogontz Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania | 5% | 2,926.41 |
| 8230 Provident Road, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania | 4½% | 8,894.31 |
| RD No. 1—Richardson Lane, Lansdale, Pennsylvania | 4½% | 5,953.11 |
| 219 Sandy Bank Road, Media, Pennsylvania | 4½% | 3,953.02 |
| 905 North Sixty-fifth Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania | 4½% | 4,941.28 |
| 3529 Vaux Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania | 4% | 3,529.16 |
| 1859 Widener Place, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania | 4½% | 7,162.77 |
| 2200 Windsor Avenue, Drexel Hill, Pennsylvania | 4½% | 5,668.94 |
| 1021 Lindale Avenue, Drexel Hill, Pennsylvania | 4½% | 6,981.94 |
| 6 Belfield Avenue, Haverford Township, Pennsylvania | 4½% | 10,200.00 |
| 407 Werner Avenue, Glenolden, Pennsylvania | 4½% | 8,356.58 |
| 240 East Greenwood Avenue, Upper Darby, Pennsylvania | 4½% | 5,976.60 |
| 7526 Boyer Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania | 4¼% | 6,400.00 |
| 6946 Cedar Park Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania | 4¼% | 5,500.00 |
| Total mortgages | | $299,397.22 |

## Accountant's Certificate

The Board of Pensions and Relief
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

We have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of The Board of Pensions and Relief of The United Lutheran Church in America, Contributory Plan for the years ended June 30, 1950 and June 30, 1949. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying balance sheets and related statements of cash receipts and disbursements present fairly the financial position of the Contributory Pension Plan of The Board of Pensions and Relief of The United Lutheran Church in America as at June 30, 1950 and June 30, 1949 and the results of its operations for the years then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles, applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding biennium, with the exception that beginning July 1, 1948, interest at the rate of 2½% per annum has been credited to the Supplemental Benefit Fund.

TAIT, WELLER & BAKER,
*Certified Public Accountants*

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
July 20, 1950

Mr. Wilde, treasurer, presented the reports of the auditor. Mr. George L. Rinkliff, member of the Board, moved the adoption of the auditor's report on the Non-Contributory Pension Plan (p. 1007), and the Contributory Pension Plan, p. 1018.

The motion was adopted.

President Semisch presented the two recommendations of the Board, p. 985. Mr. Rinkliff moved the adoption of recommendation 1. (a).

Mr. Erwin H. List, member of the Executive Board, reported the concurrence of the Executive Board (p. 173) in recommendation 1. (p. 985).

Recommendation 1. (a) was adopted.

Mr. George L. Rinkliff moved the adoption of recommendation 1. (b).

Before calling for debate on the recommendation the president offered an opportunity for asking questions concerning the recommendation.

Following the answering of numerous questions concerning the recommendation, motions to amend the recommendation were presented.

Dr. William H. Stackel presented the following motion:

> "Moved to strike, under 1. (b), the words, 'receiving the lowest benefits from the Contributory Pension Plan,' and to substitute therefor the words, 'as shall be determined by future conventions of the Church.' "

The motion was adopted.

The Rev. Abdel Ross Wentz presented the following additional amendment to recommendation 1. (b):

> "Moved to delete the words 'the pensions of members' and to insert therefor the word, 'pensions.' "

The motion was adopted.

The Rev. John W. Whetstone presented the following additional amendment to recommendation 1. (b):

> "Moved to delete the phrase 'many years in the future.' "

The motion was adopted.

On vote of the convention, the previous question was ordered.

Recommendation 1, (b) as amended, was adopted.

At this point Dr. Thomas L. Cline presented the proposed Family Protection Plan, and Mr. George L. Rinkliff moved the adoption of recommendation 2.

The Hon. James F. Henninger, member of the Executive Board, reported the concurrence of the Executive Board in recommending the Family Protection Plan for adoption by the convention as recorded on pp. 985-988.

The seriatim consideration of the Family Protection Plan, was begun at this point.

In the course of deliberate discussion of the Plan several motions of reference were defeated.

When the reading of the Plan reached the division "Cost," Page 986, the following motion of the Rev. Charles F. Trunk, Jr., prevailed.

> "Moved to delete the word 'shall' in the second whole paragraph of the second column, Page 986, and insert in its place the word 'should.'"

The motion was adopted.

Dr. Joseph M. Lotsch gave notice of his intention to present a substitute plan to the convention.

The Rev. G. Elson Ruff made a motion to extend the time of the session thirty minutes.

The motion was adopted.

Dr. Joseph M. Lotsch made a motion to substitute for the Family Protection Plan a plan the provisions of which he read to the convention.

A motion was offered to refer both the Family Protection Plan and the Group Insurance Plan presented by Dr. Lotsch to a special commission. The motion was lost.

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The Rev. Reno R. Frobenius made a motion proposing that a Special Order be set for 3:30 P.M. this day for the consideration of the Budget of the ULCA.

The motion was adopted by a two-thirds vote.

◆

The president declared the session adjourned, and called upon the chaplain to lead the convention in the closing prayer.

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## SEVENTH MEETING

### Second Session

KRNT Radio Theater, Des Moines, Iowa
Wednesday, October 11, 1950, 2:00 P.M.

The chaplain conducted the devotions.

The Rev. Earl S. Erb, chairman, presented the report of the Committee on Minutes.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINUTES

The minutes of the Sixth Meeting, Morning and Afternoon Sessions, have been mimeographed and distributed to delegates.

We recommend that the minutes of those sessions, as distributed, be approved by the convention.

The recommendation was adopted.

Dr. James C. Kinard, chairman, presented the following report of the Committee of Reference and Counsel.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AND COUNSEL

We recommend:

1. That the hour of adjournment for the evening session be set at eleven o'clock if so much time should be needed to dispose of unfinished business;

2. That the Executive Board be empowered to select a period during July or August for the 1952 convention of The United Lutheran Church in America if the Board should find this practicable and feasible.

Recommendation 1 was adopted.

Recommendation 2 was lost.

◆

The president called for the report of the Committee on Church Papers. It was presented by the Reverend Robert D. Hershey, secretary of the Committee.

In the course of his remarks Dr. Hershey exhibited two significant awards which had been given *The Lutheran* by journalistic agencies in the course of the biennium.

Dr. Hershey reported that the Committee is actively endeavoring to discharge its responsibility to promote the merger of church papers.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHURCH PAPERS

### Biennium 1948–1950

During this biennium the Committee on Church Papers has held four meetings, and its executive committee has held three meetings ad interim. The editor of *The Lutheran* and the executive secretary of the Board of Publication are always invited to sit with the Committee and are usually present for all or most of its sessions. Indeed the report of the editor, comprising a painstaking analysis of the contents, reader-interest, scope and objectives of *The Lutheran* together with appraisals and suggestions, provides a large proportion of the business with which the Committee is concerned.

At its meeting, June 14, 1949, the Committee passed a resolution that *The Lutheran* be employed as a medium for a full scale promotional effort on behalf of the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal. We are convinced that, in retrospect, readers of *The Lutheran* will agree that the coverage of our colleges and seminaries was thorough, interesting and effective. Generous appreciation is due the editor and his staff for their valuable contribution to the successful presentation and prosecution of this great objective.

A major responsibility of the Committee since the convention of 1948 has been follow-up work along the lines approved by the convention, namely,

1. Continuation of the study of ways and means still further to improve the church paper and commend it to a much larger number of subscribers.

2. To strive for the realization of the hope for a reduction in the number of publications by encouraging the constituent

synods to avail themselves of *The Lutheran's* proposal to print within its covers synodical supplements.

3. Through a subcommittee, composed of the editor of *The Lutheran*, the Executive secretary of the Board of Publication and a member of the Committee on Church Papers, to hold informal conferences with representatives of boards and agencies of the Church with a view to closer integration of publications and consequent reduction in their number.

The actual implementation of these objectives devolves mainly upon the Board of Publication inasmuch as many technical matters of business are involved. Nevertheless matters of editorial policy, scope and aim of the church paper are also involved and hence this Committee has a deep concern in them.

In all three directions above noted there has been an encouraging measure of progress. The circulation of *The Lutheran* has risen from 50,000 reported in 1948 to 85,000 reported in June 1950. There are definite negotiations under way which should result, ere long, in the first venture of *The Lutheran* in printing synodical supplements. And there are also signs that at least one of the boards of the Church may in the not distant future utilize regularly assigned space in *The Lutheran* in lieu of publishing its own official organ. The Committee is proceeding on the assumption that if *The Lutheran* can be made good enough and its circulation large enough, the promotional and financial advantages of merging other publications with it will become obvious.

Though progress toward the goal of closer integration of publications and a reduction in the number of periodicals is observable, it is necessarily slow. The trend has not become sufficiently clear for the Committee on Church Papers to formulate any definite recommendations to the Executive Board as directed by the convention in 1948. (See 1948 U.L.C.A. Minutes, p. 694, Recommendation 4.)

In regard to the excellence of the church paper, gratifying indications have recently been evidenced in the form of two first prizes awarded to *The Lutheran* by the Associated Church Press: one for superiority in "make-up and effectiveness," the other for "eminence in news."

The Committee records its appreciation of the services of the Rev. T. Benton Peery whose term expires with this convention and who is, under the by-laws, ineligible for renomination. For the past eight years, including a period of service as chaplain and captain in the Army overseas, Dr. Peery has made a consistent and distinct contribution to the Committee's work in a time of crisis and readjustment.

**NOMINATION OF EDITOR:** The Committee unanimously nominates the Rev. G. Elson Ruff, Litt. D., for re-election as editor of *The Lutheran*.

EDWARD T. HORN, *Chairman*
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C. K. FEGLEY
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ERNEST J. HOH
JOHN GEORGE KURZENKNABE
T. BENTON PEERY
CARL SCHULZ
JOSEPH SITTLER, JR.

Dr. Hershey introduced the Rev. G. Elson Ruff, editor, who said that he interpreted the Church's fresh mandate in his re-election to mean that the United Lutheran Church wants the editorial policy of its official paper to be characterized by candor and direct speech.

President Fry commented as follows concerning the services of Editor Ruff: The United Lutheran Church in America is deservedly proud of its church paper and holds in grateful regard its editor and his helpers.

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The president called for the Report of the Brotherhood and recognized Mr. Ralph J. Wohlsen, president, who presented the report.

Mr. Wohlsen expressed the Auxiliary's special satisfaction in being debt-free. He introduced Mr. Fred W. Konemann who commented on the report of the treasurer and paid tribute to those who had contributed so generously toward the elimination of the Auxiliary's debt. Said Mr. Konemann, "Having brought our financial house into order during the past biennium, it is our purpose to concentrate in the next biennium on bringing our spirtual house more fully into order."

## REPORT OF THE BROTHERHOOD

In submitting this formal report of the Brotherhood to the Church, we humbly offer a most sincere prayer of gratitude to our heavenly Father for his grace in providing able and willing men, both pastors and laymen, to carry on this important work church-wide, through its most critical period of the past biennium. It is most satisfying to report *visible* progress in every phase of Brotherhood work during this period.

### Officers of the Organization

The officers of the organization are as follows: President, Ralph J. Wohlsen, P. O. Box 696, Bridgeport, Connecticut; vice-presidents, Leonard Ashford, 609 W. Godfrey Ave., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; William F. Kedde, 2205 Fowler Ave., Omaha, Nebraska; and Dr. Roy H. Johnson, Thiel College, Greenville, Pennsylvania; executive secretary, Earle W. Bader, Brotherhood Headquarters, Market and New Streets, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania; treasurer, William Shetlock, 22 S. Fourth Street, Coplay, Pennsylvania; and secretary, Aubrey Mauney, Kings Mountain, North Carolina; Executive Committee, Alfred Arneson, Sr., 3837 N. Monticello Street, Chicago, Illonois; H. E. Isenhour, 122 N. Main Street, Salisbury, North Carolina; Rev. Paul M. Kinports, D.D., 515 Huger Street, Charleston, South Carolina; Hon. Lawrence F. Speckman, Esq., 122 S. Fourth Street, Louisville, Kentucky; Harry A. Fritsch, 2222 Chew Street, Allentown, Pennsylvania; Rev. Fred Wiegman, D.D., 125 Conger Avenue, Akron, Ohio; Ernest Clarke, 209 Colborne Street, Brantford, Ontario, Canada; Fred W. Konemann, 505 Stirling Road, Silver Spring, Maryland; Rev. Phares G. Beer, D.D., 708 St. John Street, Allentown, Pennsylvania; editor of *Lutheran Men*, Rev. Amos John Traver, D.D., 954 Woodlawn Avenue, Springfield, Ohio; chairman of Boy Scout Committee, Dr. George A. Eichler, 320 E. Twentieth Street, Northampton, Pennsylvania.

Continued efforts will be exerted in extending the Brotherhood organization on synodical conference and congregational levels. The past biennium has brought forth a complete reorganization of the New York Synodical Brotherhood in accordance with the constitution of the U.L.C.A. Brotherhood and conforming with the synodical brotherhood constitutions of the other synodical organizations, with the result that Brotherhood organizations on a congregational level in that synod are growing rapidly. The New York Conference comprising Manhattan and Westchester County primarily will effect a conference organization in Brotherhood work for the first time, due to the number of congregational Brotherhoods chartered in that area during the past biennium. The newly organized New Jersey Synod shows every indication of the organization of a New Jersey Synodical Brotherhood with its various conference brotherhoods within the next year.

While the growth in the above area is outstanding, nevertheless the growth continues from Canada to Texas and from New England to California.

It is also worth mentioning the fact that organization materials have been forwarded during the past biennium to our Church in Japan and in Germany at their respective requests, and at the time of this writing, progress is reported in the organization of brotherhoods in both these countries.

This important auxiliary of our beloved Church has never lost sight of its duties to the Church in its programs and recently published their interpretation of these duties, as follows:

### A STATEMENT
### By the Executive Committee of the U.L.C.A. Brotherhood

WHEREAS, It has been felt necessary to clarify the purposes and programs of The BROTHERHOOD, the Executive Committee, by unanimous action, approved the following "Statement":

1. The purpose of The BROTHERHOOD, as the Men's auxiliary of The United Lutheran Church in America, is to EVANGELIZE, EDUCATE and ENERGIZE the Men and Boys of the Church, in the whole work of the whole Church, through a co-ordinated effort with all of the boards and agencies of the Church.
2. The BROTHERHOOD stands ready and willing at all times to activate all of its manpower in the support of the programs of all such boards and agencies, and to extend its full co-operation to them in such manner as the said boards or agencies may suggest.
3. The BROTHERHOOD is not a policy-making agency of the Church. Therefore, it will confine its support and co-operation to such programs, campaigns or undertakings that are fully approved or expressly directed by The United Lutheran Church in America.

It is very gratifying to note the general activity of the members of the Brotherhood during the past biennium in the several church-wide programs of our Church. The membership has shown a rebirth of activation whenever called upon to lend their efforts, their time, their talents, or their funds to such programs as was adopted by the U.L.C.A.

## Finances and Deficit

This report in all probability will be the last report in which the word "deficit" will appear regarding Brotherhood finances. According to the accountant's report, at the end of the fiscal year, *June 30, 1948*, there was shown total liabilities of $24,354.15 with total liquid assets of but $4,556.25, thus showing a deficit of $19,797.90. As of the end of the fiscal year of *June 30, 1950*, we find total liquid assets in excess of $4,500.00 and a total deficit which occurs only in the deficit account of $2,213.36. Four synods paid their quota in full and one synod, whose pledge was $2,500, gives every evidence of paying the greater portion of its pledge before the biennium convention in Cedar Rapids. The above figures show the Brotherhood treasury to have a cash balance on hand of several thousand dollars with all bills paid, *including* the above deficit balance without any further contributions toward that special cause. This is the healthiest condition of finances that the Brotherhood has experienced during its entire history. The entire deficit was paid during the past biennium without increasing the dues, but entirely through personal contributions from throughout the organization.

## Administrative Committee

The Administrative Committee composed of all the officers, Rev. Beer, D.D., Brothers Konemann, Fritsch, and Arneson, met regularly almost monthly at the Brotherhood's offices in Bethlehem to administer promptly all of the business of the Brotherhood during all the biennium. To these men belong a lion's share of the credit for the unusual progress shown, as meetings were very well attended and all members contributed their pro rata share of the expenses involved in holding these monthly meetings.

## Spiritual Activities

### EVANGELISM

Early in the biennium, the Administrative Committee invited Rev. C. Franklin Koch, D.D. to one of its meetings for instructions as to how the Brotherhood could assist the Social Missions Board in its program of Evangelism.

Several pages of *Lutheran Men* were devoted to this important cause and the men of the Brotherhood, according to reports emanating from the Social Missions Board, rallied to the support in accordance with the plan sugested to the Brotherhood by that Board. The President of the Brotherhood mailed four thousand letters to every men's organization in the Church, encouraging them to participate in this Evangelism program, and special literature was also distributed on a wide scale through the Brotherhood and at the Brotherhood's expense in behalf of this cause.

### LWA

Each year since the Brotherhood's convention in Louisville, Kentucky, in 1942, the Brotherhood has activated itself church-wide in supporting this cause and continues to the present time. The president of the Brotherhood prepared and mailed two thousand letters church-wide in support of this cause in 1949 and again in 1950 and much space was given in *Lutheran Men* as well as the distribution of printed matter supporting LWA.

### CHEY

Here again the Brotherhood invited the Executive Secretary of the Board of Education, the Rev. Gould Wickey, Ph.D., to inform the Administrative Committee as to how the Brotherhood could assist in supporting Christian Higher Education Year. As a result of this conference, the Brotherhood organized throughout the Church under the leadership and direction of the Board of Education and the records where Brotherhoods are organized show most definitely the assistance given by these "men of the Church."

### GENERAL

The Brotherhood, from a congregational level to a church-wide level, will continue this *active* support of all programs that are approved by the respective church bodies.

### Literature

Virtually all new literature has been produced in a much more artistic and presentable manner than heretofore. We are indebted to members of the Parish and Church School Board for much of the material contained in this new literature. Most outstanding of these pamphlets are *I Am Proud To Be A Lutheran, If I Had A Million Dollars, This Is The Day,* and *Lutheran Men Readers Become Brotherhood Leaders.* Samples of this literature can be had at the convention free at the Brotherhood booth. Other literature is in the process of production at this time.

### President's Letters

At the start of this biennium, the Brotherhood President prepared bimonthly news letters that were mailed out regularly to every men's organization, whether affiliated with the Brotherhood or not, throughout our entire U.L.C.A. These letters were used largely to keep the "men of the Church" informed as to the progress of the Brotherhood and the part the Brotherhood expected the "men of the Church" to play in the various programs of the Church. From reports at hand, these letters were well received and effective in promoting the activation of the men.

### Lutheran Men

It is also very pleasing to report that *Lutheran Men* has become totally self-sustaining, and from all reports and outlooks, this will continue.

The paid circulation has increased some, but not materially. Its unpaid circulation has been reduced 75 per cent, but is still being supplied each college and seminary library as well as all ministerial students at our seminaries without charge. Some time ago, the cover design was made more attractive by securing the services of an artist who redesigned the front cover. This art work and plates were a contribution to the Brotherhood by Mr. William C. Neu of Stratford, Connecticut. Starting with the convention number of *Lutheran Men,* Rev. Joseph Mohr of Brooklyn will be the editor and the entire content will be changed so as to include several new departments, but will still retain all the present features.

We wish at this time to acknowledge with extreme thanks, the services that have been rendered to *Lutheran Men* by its retiring editer, Rev. Amos John Traver, D.D., who has requested, because of his already overcrowded program of activities in the Church, that he be relieved of the editorship of *Lutheran Men*. We wish Brother Traver God's greatest blessings in all his endeavors and welcome his counsel whenever he can afford the time to extend it.

### Boy Scouting

Under the Executive Secretary as Director of Boy Scouting and Dr. George Eichler as Chairman of the Boy Scout Committee, scouting continues to grow in our U.L.C.A. While the reports are not yet available from the Headquarters of Scouting in all Lutheran churches, we have been informed from that source that greater progress has been shown in scouting throughout the U.L.C.A. than any other religious faith during the past two years.

We shall continue on a much more enlarged plan to develop this field of youth work throughout the entire Brotherhood organization.

### Lutheran Unity

The Brotherhood continues its affiliation with the American Federation of Lutheran Brotherhoods and is active in its every program to assist in bringing about the unity of all Lutheran bodies.

It is also worth mentioning the fact that one of our U.L.C.A. brothers, a former president of the Brotherhood, has retired recently as the President of the American Federation of Lutheran Brotherhoods, after having served for the time limited for one to hold that office, and during whose administration that organization progressed greatly, the Honorable Lawrence F. Speckman, Judge of Courts, Louisville, Kentucky. This organization has now accepted the ten objectives for the Brotherhoods of all Lutheran bodies. They also act as the co-ordinator of scouting in the Lutheran churches and universally use the monthly topics as published in *Lutheran Men*. There has also been effected some limited agreements for the exchange in the use of literature material between these various Lutheran Brotherhoods through this organization.

### Field Secretary

In a move for economy for the past biennium, no field secretary had been appointed, but since the finances of the Brotherhood were so vastly improved, one field secretary has been appointed in the person of Brother Hans P. Treuenfels, president of the New York Synodical Brotherhood, who will assist in the organizing of Brotherhoods in the new New Jersey Synod and throughout all of New York state and the New England states.

### Biennial Convention

The 1950 Convention will be held in the First Lutheran Church at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, October 1 to 3 inclusive. Rev. H. G. Schwegler, pastor. Rev. F. Eppling Reinartz, D.D. will preach the sermon at the devotional session and Rev. Joseph B. Mohr of Brooklyn, New York will be the Convention Chaplain.

### Appreciation

First, as stated in the opening of this report, we are grateful to our Father in heaven for the courage, the strength, and the guidance, and the understanding, that he has given through his Holy Spirit to all the "men of the Church," particularly to those assigned to such positions in the Brotherhood which required fearless leadership. We further pray that all these men shall remain humble in doing his will and that his will, not ours, shall prevail. We appreciate and wish to extend our appreciation to all those synodical, district, conferences and congregational Brotherhood leaders who have rallied to his call for services. It is only with such co-ordinated effort that progress results and through the grace of God, we have been able to show that progress by working together. Third, we are grateful for the assistance given us by those officers of the U.L.C.A., its synods and conferences, as well as the local pastors for their counsel and their assistance in promoting this important work.

Humbly Submitted,

Ralph J. Wohlsen, *President*
Earle W. Bader, *Executive Secretary*

EXHIBIT "A"

# THE BROTHERHOOD

## Comparative Balance Sheets

*June 30, 1950 and June 30, 1949*

| | June 30, 1950 | | June 30, 1949 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Assets* | | | | |
| Cash in bank: | | | | |
| General Brotherhood Account | $3,605.03 | | $3,230.19 | |
| Lutheran Men Account | 395.03 | | 379.43 | |
| Debt liquidation fund | .... | | 1,552.35 | |
| | | $4,000.06 | | $5,161.97 |
| Accounts receivable, Lutheran Men Account: | | | | |
| Due from advertisers | $ 252.91 | | $ 482.15 | |
| Literature and merchandise | 215.72 | | 142.57 | |
| | | 468.63 | | 624.72 |
| Brotherhood Account: | | | | |
| Office supplies | $ 893.30 | | $1,375.00 | |
| Furniture and fixtures (Estimated) | 500.00 | | 750.00 | |
| Literature and merchandise | 892.56 | | 1,200.00 | |
| | | 2,285.86 | | 3,325.00 |
| Total assets | | $6,754.55 | | $9,111.69 |
| *Liabilities and Surplus (Deficit)* | | | | |
| Accounts payable, Lehigh Printing Company: | | | | |
| General Brotherhood Account, old bills | $2,213.36 | | $5,995.19 | |
| Lutheran Men Account, old bills | .... | | 3,021.01 | |
| Lutheran Men Account, current bills | .... | | 783.50 | |
| | | $2,213.36 | | $9,799.70 |
| General fund surplus (deficit) | | 4,541.19 | | (688.01) |
| Total liabilities and surplus (deficit) | | $6,754.55 | | $9,111.69 |

EXHIBIT "B"

## Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | 7/1/1949 to 6/30/1950 | 7/1/1948 to 6/30/1949 |
|---|---|---|
| *Receipts:* | | |
| Congregational dues | $ 14,742.00 | $ 13,421.25 |
| Special contributions | 3.50 | 91.40 |
| Anniversary offerings | 943.15 | 996.19 |
| Pensions—by employees | 319.12 | 337.44 |
| Sales of literature and merchandise | 830.10 | 696.53 |
| Scouting | .... | 41.75 |
| Iron Mountain School | 52.00 | 64.00 |
| Brotherhood convention | 4.00 | 925.00 |
| Refunds | 697.28 | 2,010.77 |
| Miscellaneous | 94.34 | 11.00 |
| Total receipts | $ 17,685.49 | $ 18,595.33 |

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Brackets ( ) denote red figures

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| *Disbursements:* | | |
| Salaries: Executive secretary, E. W. Bader | $ 4,000.00 | $ 3,599.96 |
| Other | 3,339.08 | 4,616.29 |
| Total salaries | $ 7,339.08 | $ 8,216.25 |
| Postage | 453.76 | 424.40 |
| Literature and merchandise | 686.02 | 288.84 |
| Office supplies | 1,028.21 | 1,133.41 |
| Traveling expenses | 595.00 | 300.82 |
| Office rent | 975.00 | 643.50 |
| Telephone and telegraph | 221.76 | .... |
| Treasurer's expense | 25.36 | 72.97 |
| American Federation of Lutheran Brotherhoods | 500.00 | 300.00 |
| Anniversary printing | 293.85 | 479.00 |
| Brotherhood promotion | 1,328.91 | 242.83 |
| Scouting | 22.00 | 325.75 |
| Board of Pensions | 1,071.78 | 1,033.87 |
| Brotherhood convention | 358.50 | 682.89 |
| Capital expenditures | 33.63 | .... |
| Refunds | 454.70 | 2,166.48 |
| Miscellaneous | 326.69 | 346.21 |
| Repayment of prior year advance for Lutheran Men | 596.40 | .... |
| Printing—prior years | 1,000.00 | 1,099.35 |
| Total disbursements | $ 17,310.65 | $ 17,756.57 |
| *Summary:* | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of period | $ 3,230.19 | $ 2,391.43 |
| Receipts | $ 17,685.49 | $ 18,595.33 |
| Disbursements | 17,310.65 | 17,756.57 |
| Cash surplus for period | $ 374.84 | $ 838.76 |
| Cash balance, end of period | $ 3,605.03 | $ 3,230.19 |

EXHIBIT "C"

## Lutheran Men Account
## Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements
*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | 7/1/1949 to 6/30/1950 | 7/1/1948 to 6/30/1949 |
|---|---|---|
| *Receipts:* | | |
| Lutheran Men subscriptions | $ 9,911.67 | $ 10,287.68 |
| Advertising | 2,550.44 | 2,030.37 |
| Pensions—by employees | 62.40 | 48.36 |
| Miscellaneous | 596.30 | .... |
| Total receipts | $ 13,120.81 | $ 12,366.41 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| Lutheran Men printing | $ 9,050.63 | $ 8,831.70 |
| Salary—clerk | 1,767.64 | 1,482.00 |
| Board of Pensions | 124.80 | 120.59 |
| Editor's expense | 609.00 | 600.00 |
| Postage | 334.77 | 235.00 |
| Commissions on advertising | 359.45 | 235.79 |
| Miscellaneous | 75.42 | 26.87 |
| Printing—prior year | 783.50 | 1,223.35 |
| Total disbursements | $ 13,105.21 | $ 12,755.30 |

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|---|---|---|
| *Summary:* | | |
| Cash balance, beginning of period | $ 379.43 | $ 768.32 |
| Receipts | $ 13,120.81 | $ 12,366.41 |
| Disbursements | 13,105.21 | 12,755.30 |
| Cash surplus (deficit) for period | $ 15.60 | $ (388.89) |
| Cash balance, end of period | $ 395.03 | $ 379.43 |

EXHIBIT "D"

## Debt Liquidation Fund

### Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

*July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1950*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Cash balance, beginning of period | $ 1,552.35 | $ 547.00 |
| *Receipts:* | 4,370.49 | 5,715.65 |
| | $ 5,922.84 | $ 6,262.65 |
| *Disbursements:* | | |
| Lehigh Printing Company | $ 5,802.84 | $ 4,710.30 |
| Refund | 120.00 | .... |
| | $ 5,922.84 | $ 4,710.30 |
| Cash balance, end of period | .... | $ 1,552.35 |

Brackets (      ) denote red figures

### Accountant's Certificate

The Brotherhood
Bethlehem, Pennsylvania

We have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of The Brotherhood of The United Lutheran Church in America for the biennium ended June 30, 1950. The accounting for all recorded cash receipts has been made; verification of receipts by direct confirmation was not attempted due to the large number of members. All disbursements were supported by properly authorized checks or vouchers and cash in bank was verified.

In our opinion, the accompanying balance sheets as of June 30, 1950 and June 30, 1949, and the related statements of cash receipts and disbursements for the biennium then ended present fairly the financial condition of The Brotherhood of The United Lutheran Church in America at those dates and the results of its operations in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding years.

TAIT, WELLER & BAKER
*Certified Public Accountants*

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
July 14, 1950

Mr. Konemann moved the adoption of the auditors' report immediately above.

The motion was adopted.

Executive Secretary Earle W. Bader addressed the convention, speaking on the unprecedented gains which had been made during the biennium in the number of affiliated men's organizations, in the strengthening of synodical leadership, in the production of more effective promotional and program materials and in the promotion of Boy Scout work.

Secretary Bader announced the establishment at the recent biennial convention of the Brotherhood in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, of a plan for soliciting honorary Life and In Memoriam Memberships.

Mr. Wohlsen introduced Mr. Leonard Ashford who spoke of his confidence that "God will continue to bless the Brotherhood with further strength and growth."

A feature having special color and interest for the delegates was the address of Mr. Kiyoshi Yamada, delegate from our Affiliated Church in Japan. Mr. Yamada said in part that the Brotherhood in Japan has long cherished the desire to send a lay delegate to a convention of the United Lutheran Church, and that he felt a high sense of privilege in having been chosen the first such delegate. He described feelingly the reception which he had been given by the Church, and with engaging humility asked his brethren in America to cover with forgiveness the memory of the military struggle between his nation and the nations represented in the United Lutheran Church. "We laymen of Japan want to dedicate what we have to God with a more humble spirit. Let us all work for the coming of God's kingdom, each being assured that the other remembers him in his prayers."

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The president called for the report of the Committee on Church Music. For the first time in the history of The United Lutheran Church in America this report was presented by a layman, Mr. Frederick A. Snell. Mr. Snell spoke of the media available to his Committee for publicizing its interests, making special mention of the use of the ULCA *Year Book* by organists and choirmasters.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHURCH MUSIC

The Committee on Church Music has held two full meetings during the past biennium. Between meetings, members of the Committee have been active through correspondence, committee work and individual efforts.

### Individual Efforts

For many years, the greatest influence for better music in the Church has come from individual pastors and musicians scattered throughout the synods. These individuals have been tireless in the conduct of summer schools, classes, convocations, and special programs to illustrate the finest music for the Church in terms that the average choir member can understand. Their separate findings have unearthed an earnest demand for knowledge and training that is all the more pressing because pastors are unable to satisfy these needs.

### A Misunderstanding

In attempting to bring real help to the choir director and organist in the congregation, members of the Committee have met with a widespread belief which vitiates their efforts—it is taken for granted that, since there is lack of unanimity among the experts, there can be no definite standards for church music acceptable to two musicians. This fallacy is all the more prevalent wherever pastors have received no training in the music of the Church. Such strange reasoning brings in a libertine spirit in the choice and use of music in worship which sets up formidable obstacles to the intelligent reception of the Word, and an intelligent response to God. Such a block to the effective use of the liturgical service often causes men and women of taste to absent themselves from regular worship. If good music is a living vehicle for the Word, and poor music is an obstacle to the Word; and if it can be shown clearly that there are standards by which the one can be distinguished from the other—then the study of good church music becomes one of the primary tasks before the Church now.

### Agreement on Principles

The Committee has centered its discussions upon exhibiting to the Church the clear-cut principles upon which there is complete agreement, and bringing their application down tc the weekly problems of the average choir. In extended discussions individual members have shared their own experiences only to find that the experience of one is confirmed by that of the other. The approach and methods in satisfying this demand have likewise coincided.

Having come to sufficient agreement to warrant taking the steps toward putting principles into print, the Committee found that there were no channels available within its budget by which such material could be put into the hands of the organist and choir director who so desperately need it. Since the organization of the U.L.C.A., there has been a demand for a publication devoted entirely to the music of the Church. Though the Church has never taken action on such a proposal, we are proud of the efforts of one of our Committee, Pastor Lund, who personally created and has carried on the publication of *Sursum Corda* for over a decade. This quarterly has had an influence far beyond the Lutheran Church, and has been an instrument for bringing musicians of like mind into the knowledge of each other. Yet without sizable subsidization by the Church, *Sursum Corda* can never build up its circulation to reach every corner of the Church.

The Committee has spent much of the past two years in exploring ways and means to find a mouthpiece which will bring its voice to the congregational organists and choirmasters. It is our hope that the Church will soon begin to see the results of these labors.

### Chanting

An illustration of such work is *A Short Psalter — Twenty Five Psalms Set to Angelican Chants* now in preparation by Dr. Seltzer and Dr. Lewars. This work, for the use of the choir at Matins and Vespers, will have an introduction in which the principles of chanting are concisely stated and illustrated. A new type of pointing will correct many misconceptions which have hampered chanting in the past few years. A feature of this effort is the composition of Anglican settings for the antiphons by Dr. Lewars.

### Training of Choirs

An outline of a possible leadership training text for the use of choirs and their leaders has been thoroughly discussed. It covers such subjects as: principles of Lutheran worship, the choir in the Lutheran Church, the organization and conduct of choirs, rehearsals, anthems, hymns, the liturgy, junior choirs, etc. It is our hope that the Parish and Church School Board will adopt this project as part of its leadership training program.

### Musical Instruments

A small pamphlet on Musical Instruments in the Church is in preparation. Plans include an extensive treatment of the use of instruments including the electronic instruments. Such a study will be available through synodical music committees, through whom we hope to channel other information of use.

Thus a start is being made in bringing together findings which individual members have discovered and tested in convocations, summer schools, and congregational training sessions. We hope to exhibit our agreement in print.

### New Studies

There is an urgency which has suddenly appeared in our efforts in addition to that which results from the demands of the Church. It arises from new currents which have arisen in the study of music and of all the arts. In the field of fine arts there is real evidence of a new spirit which presages a new civilization's early days. The secularistic culture of the past three centuries is clearly crumbling, and from the ruins are springing new growth, and much old growth that has been forgotten for these many years.

This is plainly visible in music. Standards of church music which have so possessed our churches with their demands for solos, extended anthems, quartettes, sentimental lyrics, concertistic effects, have fallen with the secular optimism which brought them forth. Musicologists are digging through the accumulations of two and three centuries to recover the lost thread of a tradition in music which has a religious base. The celebration of the Bach anniversary this year merely spurs the search for the music which he crowned—before it was lost in a passion for the frills and fluffs of this world.

This rediscovery of the true Reformation heritage in music has been marked with the same enthusiasm as has the rediscovery of the true Reformation faith in the past twenty-five years. Indeed, the two cannot be separated, for music was of all the arts the greatest medium by which the Reformation faith became a living message. Thus the spirit of the music is fresh; the words are simply clothed and they speak clearly; and the untrained layman can perform the music with a modern freshness. Congregational participation is the great aim. A capella singing brings out the words.

This movement is more than a simple rediscovery of Lutheran music. The Reformation chorale, simple cantatas and motets share places with the simple Reformed Psalm melodies and easy, natural chants. Yet the spotlight of attention centers to a large degree on that which we have always regarded as our own. The new emphases which have come into other communions—the liturgical service, congregational participation, the importance of the Word, a capella singing, are all part of the genius of the Lutheran heritage. We are thus in a position to interpret our own as those who understand its genius. Ecumenical Christianity expects no less from us.

Yet we are abashed to find that others are taking the lead in "discovering" our own musical heritage, while our churches are filled with what men of taste are beginning to condemn. High school choruses, organists and choir masters of nonliturgical communions, choral groups, even symphony orchestras exult in Lutheran works while we remain in ignorance.

Furthermore, when a congregation engages a musician, there is only a rare chance that he has had sufficient training to enter into the spirit of the worship in the Lutheran Church. When we are asked for the suggestion of a school which might give him the professional training in our tradition, there is none to suggest. Instead he must go to a choir school elsewhere and learn from a viewpoint outside the tradition, and lacking the basic spirit which should govern his work. The result is either a changed spirit in the worship of the congregation, or a frustrated, ineffectual musician.

The Committee will accept whatever blame can be placed upon it for its comparative inactivity in the fact of the tremendous demands in the field of church music. Such inactivity is rather mandatory because of the original expectations which the Church had for a committee of trained musicians seasoned enough with pastors "to keep them apart." But the needs of the Church, the tremendous developments in church music, and the enthusiasm of intelligent musicians all over the Church demand a more efficient organization for the direction of its church music. It is our hope that the Church will either create a more effective instrument to give this direction than this Committee, or provide the financial means by which this Committee can begin to satisfy crying needs.

This Committee has presented this need to the Executive Board, and has offered whatever help may be desired to accomplish this end.

Our Committee is proud of the work of several members of the Committee in speaking clearly and bravely despite the lack of any real medium. We have already mentioned the efforts of Pastor Lund. Pastor Otto, after years of acquainting choirs and musicians with the music of the 16th and 17th centuries through summer schools and leadership classes, is now publishing such works through the Chantry Press in Fremont, Ohio. Through such efforts a fellowship of common interest is growing which transcends denominational barriers, and which counts many individuals in scattered parts of the country.

We would remind pastors and musicians of the abundant material supplied by this Committee in former years in reports to the Church, the anthem and organ lists which appear yearly in the *Yearbook*, and in *Sursum Corda*. A pastor would do his congregation a great favor by supplying his musicians with this information.

Though this report carried no recommendations, we earnestly call the needs of churchly music to the attention of the Church. We close by listing the three major problems to which we have referred:

1. The present expectations of the Church of the Committee on Church Music are inadequate to give the help demanded.

2. There is no effective means through which the needs and findings in church music can reach the musicians who actually play and sing on Sundays throughout the Church.

3. There is no adequate professional school for training church musicians within the territory of the U.L.C.A.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mr. Snell introduced the Rev. Paul F. Obenauf, member of the Committee, who described the publication endorsed by the Committee, *Sursum Corda*, and encouraged the convention to make Gift Subscriptions available for the benefit of those in charge of music in the congregations.

Dr. H. Torrey Walker presented the following Motion:

> "Moved that the Committee of Reference and Counsel be requested to bring to the Assembly at the earliest possible moment, a revised Order of Business of those items which they consider most important."

The motion was adopted.

Mr. Walker presented the following further motion which was seconded:

> "Moved to reconsider the following motion regarding standards for women workers which was lost."
>
> > 'Moved the paragraphs III to VII inclusive of the recommendations of the Deaconess Board and the Board of Education for the qualifications of full-time women workers be referred to the Executive Board for clarification of terms and review of standards and qualifications after consultation with other boards and agencies concerned directly or in-

directly with the employment of women workers, this study to be reported to the next convention of the Church.'

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Secretary Reinartz presented the report of the Committee on Church Statistics.

Dr. Reinartz urged the convention to more active use of the facilities available in the Membership Transfer and Contact Department as one means of reducing the disturbing statistics which report "losses otherwise."

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHURCH STATISTICS

### 1. New Committeemen

Through the death of Rev. Joseph D. Krout, D.D., and the resignation of Mr. E. F. Konering, the Committee on Church Statistics lost two long term, inventive and enthusiastic members. Both Dr. Krout and Mr. Konering had given the statistical operation of their synods, Central Pennsylvania and Illinois, respectively, superior leadership and vigorous follow-through. The insights they had gained in business and in their practical experience with the statistics of their large synods were put at the disposal of the Committee. To replace these gentlemen, President Franklin C. Fry appointed the statisticians of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, Rev. Claude E. Schick, and the Central Pennsylvania Synod, Rev. George H. Berkheimer. The new committeemen gave a good account of themselves at the Committee's June 1, 1950 meeting.

### 2. Revision of Parochial Report

At the biennial meeting of the U.L.C.A. Committee on Church Statistics the urgent requests of the staff of the Parish and Church School Board for several revisions in the Parish Education section of the annual parochial report were carefully considered. That Board's staff had demonstrated its yearly need for a further breakdown of the figures reported in that section of the report. After having reduced the changes to the smallest possible number, the additions were allowed. Corresponding additions and modifications were authorized for the "Definitions and Directions" section of the report. A few minor changes in the Parochial Report's first page, "Congregational Directory" were also authorized.

### 3. Third Study of The Manifested Life of the Church

The first study of the general life of the U.L.C.A. congregations, using the "Manifested Life of the Congregations" survey blank was made in 1941, covering the year 1940. The plan at that time was to make this a quinquennial study. However the Second World War required that the 1946 survey covering 1945 be dropped. It was possible to conduct this study in 1947 covering the 1946 facts.

At the June 1, 1950 meeting of the Committee it was determined to recommend to the U.L.C.A. Executive Board that it authorize the committee to continue the sexennial series of surveys. That would make the next survey fall in 1953 covering the 1952 facts. Continuing the surveys on the six-year span now established will make comparative judgments more reliable. The 1953 survey, following very closely the 1947 review, will show us gains and losses much better than the comparisons of 1941 and 1947 tabulations could, because relatively few questions in the earlier studies correspond.

At the request of several synodical statisticians and of the Parish and Church School Board a few rubrics will be added to the next survey blanks so as to reveal the Christian education situation in our congregations more explicitly.

### 4. Membership Contact and Transfer

The statisticians of the U.L.C.A. have the depressing task of summing the annual tragedy called "Losses Otherwise." At its biennial meeting, attended by every member of the Committee, members solemnly agreed to do whatever was in their power to help the Evangelism forces of our

Church reduce that loss. As an important move in that direction the Committee urges on all pastors prompt and accurate reporting of members moving from their parish, repeating either directly to the U.L.C.A. pastor in the transferee's new community, or to the U.L.C.A. Membership Contact and Transfer Department, 231 Madison Avenue, New York 16, New York.

Respectfully submitted,
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| Index Numbers | SYNOD | When Organized | Pastors | Pastoral Charges | Congregations | MEMBERSHIP<br>BAPTIZED<br>Members | BAPTIZED<br>Gain or Loss<br>Net Gain | <br><br>Net Loss | CONFIRMED<br>Members | CONFIRMED<br>Gain or Loss<br>Net Gain | <br><br>Net Loss | COMMUNING<br>Members | COMMUNING<br>Gain or Loss<br>Net Gain | <br><br>Net Loss | Percentage of Confirmed Members Reported as Communing |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Ministerium of Pennsylvania | August 15, 1748 | 540 | 418 | 604 | 349944 | 5104 | ...... | 246291 | 2525 | ...... | 176549 | 1609 | ...... | 71.68 |
| 2 | United Synod of New York | October 23, 1786 | 493 | 391 | 420 | 252047 | ...... | 1158 | 172313 | ...... | 1256 | 111785 | ...... | 819 | 64.87 |
| 3 | United Synod of North Carolina | May 2, 1803 | 152 | 124 | 165 | 52751 | 1161 | ...... | 39677 | 727 | ...... | 28599 | 748 | ...... | 72.08 |
| 4 | Maryland Synod | October 11, 1820 | 161 | 102 | 141 | 90313 | 901 | ...... | 64376 | 454 | ...... | 41363 | 457 | ...... | 64.25 |
| 5 | Synod of South Carolina | January 14, 1824 | 99 | 78 | 122 | 37310 | 760 | ...... | 28212 | 448 | ...... | 20760 | 450 | ...... | 73.59 |
| 6 | Central Pennsylvania Synod | September 5, 1825 | 503 | 382 | 630 | 293721 | 5702 | ...... | 214039 | 2687 | ...... | 138105 | 2321 | ...... | 64.52 |
| 7 | Synod of Virginia | August 10, 1829 | 96 | 89 | 172 | 33286 | 751 | ...... | 26094 | 351 | ...... | 16473 | 396 | ...... | 63.13 |
| 8 | Synod of Ohio | November 7, 1836 | 263 | 203 | 278 | 126950 | 2612 | ...... | 89500 | 892 | ...... | 65650 | 1597 | ...... | 73.35 |
| 9 | Pittsburgh Synod | January 15, 1845 | 274 | 221 | 306 | 148507 | 3171 | ...... | 105797 | 1863 | ...... | 69242 | 1047 | ...... | 65.45 |
| 10 | Indiana Synod | October 28, 1848 | 89 | 75 | 113 | 32248 | ...... | 84 | 24001 | ...... | 134 | 17063 | 265 | ...... | 71.09 |
| 11 | Illinois Synod | September 8, 1851 | 180 | 130 | 149 | 85966 | 2193 | ...... | 60973 | 904 | ...... | 41781 | 926 | ...... | 68.52 |
| 12 | Texas Synod | November 10, 1851 | 24 | 20 | 30 | 9016 | 157 | ...... | 6599 | 115 | ...... | 5072 | 27 | ...... | 76.86 |
| 13 | Mississippi Synod | July 25, 1855 | 7 | 5 | 10 | 985 | 29 | ...... | 738 | 25 | ...... | 381 | 9 | ...... | 51.63 |
| 14 | Synod of Iowa | September 3, 1855 | 43 | 34 | 34 | 29199 | 375 | ...... | 19392 | 156 | ...... | 13162 | 355 | ...... | 67.87 |
| 15 | Michigan Synod | October 27, 1855 | 42 | 31 | 31 | 16024 | 126 | ...... | 10871 | ...... | 91 | 7591 | 31 | ...... | 69.83 |
| 16 | Georgia-Alabama Synod | July 20, 1860 | 26 | 22 | 34 | 8691 | 488 | ...... | 5888 | 374 | ...... | 4423 | 331 | ...... | 75.12 |
| 17 | Synod of Canada | July 21, 1861 | 89 | 70 | 105 | 35727 | 1325 | ...... | 25097 | 692 | ...... | 20766 | 1211 | ...... | 82.74 |
| 18 | Synod of Kansas | November 5, 1868 | 37 | 34 | 41 | 15734 | ...... | 499 | 11224 | ...... | 516 | 6711 | ...... | 67 | 59.79 |
| 19 | Synod of Nebraska | September 1, 1871 | 57 | 47 | 56 | 32879 | 751 | ...... | 22599 | 291 | ...... | 14673 | 776 | ...... | 64.93 |
| 20 | Wartburg Synod | 1875 | 62 | 47 | 49 | 26242 | ...... | 933 | 17671 | ...... | 562 | 13436 | 277 | ...... | 76.03 |
| 21 | Icelandic Synod | June 25, 1885 | 15 | 19 | 42 | 7111 | ...... | 319 | 5002 | ...... | 248 | 1766 | 126 | ...... | 35.31 |
| 22 | Synod in the Midwest | July 24, 1890 | 86 | 66 | 77 | 23210 | 591 | ...... | 16503 | 633 | ...... | 13173 | 176 | ...... | 79.83 |
| 23 | Synod of California | April 2, 1891 | 102 | 61 | 61 | 28131 | 2785 | ...... | 19349 | 1555 | ...... | 13436 | 861 | ...... | 69.44 |
| 24 | Rocky Mountain Synod | May 6, 1891 | 26 | 17 | 17 | 6248 | 765 | ...... | 4614 | 447 | ...... | 3254 | 363 | ...... | 70.52 |
| 25 | Synod of the Northwest | September 23, 1891 | 144 | 116 | 132 | 92470 | 3819 | ...... | 63871 | 2399 | ...... | 52282 | 2146 | ...... | 81.85 |
| 26 | Synod of Western Canada | July 16, 1897 | 62 | 60 | 123 | 17615 | ...... | 391 | 11788 | ...... | 269 | 7924 | ...... | 27 | 67.22 |
| 27 | Pacific Synod | September 26, 1901 | 45 | 34 | 35 | 11536 | 1476 | ...... | 7568 | 941 | ...... | 4790 | 561 | ...... | 63.29 |
| 28 | Nova Scotia Synod | July 10, 1903 | 13 | 8 | 30 | 6715 | 97 | ...... | 3897 | 5 | ...... | 2637 | ...... | 8 | 67.67 |
| 29 | Synod of West Virginia | April 17, 1912 | 18 | 22 | 32 | 8658 | 489 | ...... | 6301 | 351 | ...... | 4051 | 157 | ...... | 64.29 |
| 30 | Slovak-Zion Synod | June 10, 1919 | 35 | 29 | 39 | 20308 | 323 | ...... | 14897 | 27 | ...... | 11989 | ...... | 5 | 80.48 |
| 31 | Synod of Florida | September 24, 1928 | 20 | 16 | 16 | 4864 | 526 | ...... | 3591 | 342 | ...... | 2646 | 289 | ...... | 73.68 |
| 32 | Kentucky-Tennessee Synod | June 6, 1934 | 29 | 25 | 30 | 9612 | 297 | ...... | 7179 | 141 | ...... | 4847 | 220 | ...... | 67.52 |
| 33 | Totals for U.S. and Canada |  | 3832 | 2996 | 4124 | 1914018 | 36774 | 3384 | 1355912 | 19345 | 3076 | 936380 | 17732 | 926 | 69.06 |
| 34 | Puerto Rico | 1898 | ...... | 10 | 13 | 3393 | 57 | ...... | 1375 | 62 | ...... | 1189 | 15 | ...... | 86.47 |
| 35 | Virgin Islands | 1666 | ...... | 3 | 5 | 2411 | ...... | 22 | 1356 | ...... | 31 | 691 | ...... | 10 | 50.96 |
| 36 | Other Countries (Foreign Missions) |  | 172 | 2294 | 2294 | 244792 | 8005 | ...... | 122806 | 3542 | ...... | 122014 | 3615 | ...... | 99.36 |
| 37 | U.L.C.A. World Total |  | 4004 | 5303 | 6436 | 2164614 | 44836 | 3406 | 1481449 | 22949 | 3107 | 1060274 | 21362 | 936 | 71.57 |

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| | LOCATION OF CHURCH BUILDING ACCORDING TO POPULATION | | | | | | MEMBERSHIP | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | | | | | | | CHILD MEMBERS | | | | | | | | | | ADULT MEMBERS | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | Accessions | | | Losses | | | | | Gain or Loss | | Accessions | | | | | Losses | | | |
| Index Numbers | 100,000 or over ∅ | 25,000 to 99,999 △ | 10,000 to 24,999 □ | 2,500 to 9,999 ○ | 500 to 2,499 ● | Under 500 ■ | By Baptism 1 | Otherwise 2 | Total A | Transferred by Confirmation 3 | By death 4 | By certificate 5 | Otherwise 6 | Total ■ | Net Gain | Net Loss | By Baptism 7 | By Confirmation 8 | By Certificate 9 | By Restoration 10 | Total C | By Death 11 | By Certificate 12 | Otherwise 13 | Total D |
| 1 | 106 | 46 | 32 | 86 | 120 | 214 | 8412 | 2235 | 10647 | 4409 | 187 | 1195 | 2277 | 8068 | 2579 | ...... | 746 | 6573 | 5085 | 2330 | 14734 | 3203 | 3709 | 5297 | 12209 |
| 2 | 147 | 71 | 54 | 63 | 32 | 53 | 7011 | 3217 | 10228 | 3076 | 132 | 817 | 6105 | 10130 | 98 | ...... | 493 | 4692 | 3647 | 2966 | 11798 | 2405 | 2330 | 8319 | 13054 |
| 3 | 4 | 5 | 20 | 13 | 19 | 104 | 1312 | 267 | 1579 | 602 | 13 | 201 | 329 | 1145 | 434 | ...... | 274 | 779 | 1234 | 121 | 2408 | 297 | 910 | 474 | 1681 |
| 4 | 43 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 20 | 57 | 2329 | 766 | 3095 | 772 | 33 | 276 | 1567 | 2648 | 447 | ...... | 232 | 1491 | 1537 | 753 | 4013 | 808 | 987 | 1764 | 3559 |
| 5 | 7 | 12 | 10 | 14 | 17 | 62 | 800 | 291 | 1091 | 453 | 13 | 179 | 134 | 779 | 312 | ...... | 150 | 571 | 972 | 115 | 1808 | 258 | 777 | 325 | 1360 |
| 6 | 23 | 57 | 36 | 92 | 127 | 295 | 6754 | 1505 | 8259 | 2466 | 111 | 976 | 1691 | 5244 | 3015 | ...... | 1201 | 4335 | 4854 | 2066 | 12456 | 2525 | 3612 | 3632 | 9769 |
| 7 | 4 | 12 | 4 | 13 | 10 | 129 | 629 | 267 | 896 | 253 | 9 | 109 | 125 | 496 | 400 | ...... | 255 | 413 | 832 | 151 | 1651 | 285 | 485 | 530 | 1300 |
| 8 | 45 | 34 | 26 | 33 | 54 | 86 | 3726 | 1248 | 4974 | 1128 | 66 | 648 | 1412 | 3254 | 1720 | ...... | 845 | 2688 | 2470 | 881 | 6884 | 1122 | 1957 | 2913 | 5992 |
| 9 | 40 | 26 | 46 | 62 | 40 | 92 | 3580 | 1533 | 5113 | 1466 | 76 | 1004 | 1259 | 3805 | 1308 | ...... | 545 | 2741 | 3309 | 1171 | 7766 | 1110 | 2976 | 1997 | 5903 |
| 10 | 18 | 11 | 9 | 8 | 16 | 51 | 849 | 214 | 1063 | 274 | 16 | 114 | 609 | 1013 | 50 | ...... | 250 | 547 | 557 | 186 | 1540 | 298 | 480 | 896 | 1674 |
| 11 | 45 | 18 | 16 | 24 | 19 | 27 | 2518 | 1009 | 3527 | 921 | 58 | 443 | 816 | 2238 | 1289 | ...... | 499 | 2033 | 1533 | 841 | 4906 | 585 | 1268 | 2149 | 4002 |
| 12 | 7 | .... | 3 | 5 | 3 | 12 | 248 | 129 | 377 | 203 | 5 | 56 | 71 | 335 | 42 | ...... | 46 | 314 | 264 | 58 | 682 | 105 | 169 | 293 | 567 |
| 13 | 1 | 1 | .... | 1 | 2 | 5 | 22 | 12 | 34 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 22 | 30 | 4 | ...... | 15 | 14 | 17 | 3 | 49 | 6 | 17 | 1 | 24 |
| 14 | 3 | 10 | 4 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 936 | 344 | 1280 | 287 | 19 | 155 | 600 | 1061 | 219 | ...... | 270 | 698 | 682 | 129 | 1779 | 160 | 517 | 946 | 1623 |
| 15 | 17 | 7 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 547 | 464 | 1011 | 149 | 23 | 83 | 539 | 794 | 217 | ...... | 101 | 439 | 737 | 111 | 1388 | 90 | 646 | 743 | 1479 |
| 16 | 10 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 7 | 12 | 221 | 127 | 348 | 56 | 2 | 46 | 130 | 234 | 114 | ...... | 48 | 109 | 480 | 195 | 832 | 64 | 227 | 167 | 458 |
| 17 | 11 | 9 | 10 | 12 | 22 | 41 | 1073 | 540 | 1613 | 494 | 40 | 143 | 303 | 980 | 633 | ...... | 62 | 846 | 554 | 666 | 2128 | 392 | 438 | 606 | 1436 |
| 18 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 6 | 11 | 10 | 386 | 88 | 474 | 123 | 3 | 105 | 226 | 457 | 17 | ...... | 74 | 241 | 371 | 61 | 747 | 129 | 283 | 851 | 1263 |
| 19 | 6 | 1 | 4 | 10 | 11 | 24 | 1050 | 320 | 1370 | 365 | 31 | 210 | 304 | 910 | 460 | ...... | 293 | 714 | 657 | 483 | 2147 | 192 | 432 | 1232 | 1856 |
| 20 | 11 | 5 | 2 | 5 | 9 | 17 | 803 | 491 | 1294 | 350 | 24 | 99 | 1192 | 1665 | ...... | 371 | 112 | 542 | 328 | 507 | 1489 | 214 | 229 | 1608 | 2051 |
| 21 | 3 | .... | .... | 1 | 18 | 20 | 168 | 53 | 221 | 115 | 5 | 16 | 156 | 292 | ...... | 71 | 3 | 115 | 85 | 29 | 232 | 65 | 29 | 386 | 480 |
| 22 | 4 | .... | 4 | 8 | 14 | 47 | 584 | 316 | 900 | 354 | 10 | 60 | 518 | 942 | ...... | 42 | 122 | 534 | 852 | 167 | 1675 | 168 | 219 | 655 | 1042 |
| 23 | 33 | 18 | 6 | 4 | .... | .... | 1371 | 698 | 2069 | 205 | 16 | 208 | 410 | 839 | 1230 | ...... | 275 | 753 | 1718 | 571 | 3317 | 187 | 532 | 1043 | 1762 |
| 24 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 2 | .... | 1 | 334 | 234 | 568 | 52 | 1 | 89 | 108 | 250 | 318 | ...... | 91 | 217 | 337 | 182 | 827 | 42 | 158 | 180 | 380 |
| 25 | 36 | 25 | 11 | 14 | 23 | 23 | 3452 | 1757 | 5209 | 1323 | 54 | 503 | 1909 | 3789 | 1420 | ...... | 433 | 2941 | 2306 | 1817 | 7497 | 559 | 1458 | 3081 | 5098 |
| 26 | 5 | 1 | .... | 3 | 15 | 99 | 381 | 377 | 758 | 331 | 8 | 281 | 260 | 880 | ...... | 122 | 9 | 365 | 366 | 229 | 969 | 70 | 585 | 583 | 1238 |
| 27 | 14 | 8 | 2 | 8 | 3 | .... | 580 | 381 | 961 | 124 | 10 | 107 | 185 | 426 | 535 | ...... | 156 | 411 | 647 | 401 | 1615 | 55 | 234 | 385 | 674 |
| 28 | 1 | .... | .... | 2 | 4 | 23 | 180 | 7 | 187 | 45 | 6 | 13 | 31 | 95 | 92 | ...... | 10 | 84 | 37 | 1 | 132 | 55 | 29 | 43 | 127 |
| 29 | .... | 9 | 1 | 4 | 4 | 14 | 209 | 58 | 267 | 63 | 1 | 35 | 30 | 129 | 138 | ...... | 40 | 127 | 183 | 230 | 580 | 44 | 110 | 75 | 229 |
| 30 | 15 | 9 | 5 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 423 | 73 | 496 | 111 | 55 | 22 | 12 | 200 | 296 | ...... | 10 | 200 | 41 | 97 | 348 | 184 | 37 | 100 | 321 |
| 31 | 7 | 4 | 2 | 1 | .... | 2 | 138 | 119 | 257 | 38 | ...... | 10 | 25 | 73 | 184 | ...... | 21 | 144 | 297 | 43 | 505 | 42 | 90 | 31 | 163 |
| 32 | 16 | 4 | .... | 1 | 3 | 6 | 245 | 118 | 363 | 76 | 3 | 50 | 78 | 207 | 156 | ...... | 56 | 171 | 355 | 62 | 644 | 82 | 185 | 236 | 503 |
| 33 | 693 | 422 | 324 | 520 | 632 | 1533 | 51271 | 19258 | 70529 | 20688 | 1033 | 8254 | 23433 | 53408 | 17727 | 606 | 7737 | 36842 | 37344 | 17623 | 99546 | 15801 | 25935 | 41541 | 83277 |
| 34 | 3 | 1 | 3 | .... | 3 | 3 | 155 | 173 | 328 | 28 | 8 | ...... | 297 | 333 | ...... | 5 | 5 | 118 | 11 | 44 | 178 | 8 | 48 | 60 | 116 |
| 35 | .... | .... | 1 | 2 | .... | 2 | 73 | 3 | 76 | 52 | 7 | ...... | 8 | 67 | 9 | ...... | ...... | 61 | 15 | 1 | 77 | 26 | 22 | 60 | 108 |
| 36 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | ...... | 4470 | 4470 | ...... | ...... | ...... | 7 | 7 | 4463 | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | 3687 | 3687 | ...... | ...... | 145 | 145 |
| 37 | 696 | 423 | 328 | 522 | 635 | 1538 | 51499 | 23904 | 75403 | 20768 | 1048 | 8254 | 23745 | 53815 | 22199 | 611 | 7742 | 37021 | 37370 | 21355 | 103488 | 15835 | 26005 | 41806 | 83646 |

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| | PARISH | | | | | | | | | | | HIGHER | | | | MEN'S | | WOMEN'S | | MIXED | | YOUNG PEOPLE | |
| | Sunday Schools | | | | | Weekday Schools | | | Children of the Church | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Number 17 | Staff Members [illegible] | In Sunday School 19 | In Home Department 20 | Cradle Roll 21 | Number 22 | Teachers 23 | Pupils 24 | Leaders 25 | Pupils 26 | Number of Catechumens 27 | In Lutheran Seminaries 28 | In Lutheran Motherhouses 29 | In Other Lutheran Institutions [illegible] | In Non-Lutheran Institutions 31 | Number 32 | Members 33 | Number 34 | Members 35 | Number 36 | Members 37 | Number 38 | Members 39 |
| 1 | 595 | 13058 | 114686 | 4199 | 15124 | 205 | 1518 | 14812 | 489 | 4470 | 9763 | 45 | 21 | 557 | 3058 | 319 | 11343 | 1061 | 38370 | 243 | 7097 | 682 | 14916 |
| 2 | 417 | 7079 | 55145 | 1268 | 14375 | 182 | 762 | 8075 | 72 | 741 | 7146 | 35 | 4 | 470 | 2758 | 269 | 10203 | 928 | 32246 | 259 | 8271 | 750 | 17171 |
| 3 | 161 | 3112 | 29666 | 560 | 1619 | 106 | 847 | 8004 | 493 | 4184 | 1973 | 21 | 1 | 232 | 574 | 121 | 3515 | 224 | 6514 | 15 | 376 | 172 | 4240 |
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| 6 | 614 | 14048 | 129582 | 5143 | 12699 | 250 | 1850 | 16833 | 629 | 5649 | 7915 | 38 | 5 | 478 | 2908 | 319 | 13020 | 1172 | 37211 | 197 | 6424 | 620 | 14047 |
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| 11 | 148 | 2937 | 23697 | 426 | 4652 | 39 | 275 | 2178 | 111 | 1153 | 2849 | 12 | ...... | 248 | 1234 | 95 | 2944 | 374 | 11328 | 109 | 3929 | 188 | 3703 |
| 12 | 29 | 388 | 3204 | 16 | 440 | 3 | 26 | 145 | 82 | 520 | 403 | 11 | 1 | 13 | 162 | 20 | 493 | 33 | 1386 | 7 | 201 | 29 | 563 |
| 13 | 8 | 64 | 291 | 23 | 19 | 4 | 16 | 124 | 1 | 5 | 35 | ...... | ...... | ...... | 15 | 2 | 37 | 6 | 84 | ...... | ...... | 4 | 44 |
| 14 | 34 | 765 | 6892 | 113 | 1848 | 17 | 167 | 1495 | 20 | 375 | 1203 | 4 | 1 | 67 | 411 | 15 | 496 | 61 | 4049 | 30 | 1317 | 57 | 1535 |
| 15 | 31 | 601 | 4583 | 54 | 1039 | 10 | 79 | 709 | 28 | 192 | 795 | 6 | ...... | 37 | 218 | 16 | 413 | 50 | 1757 | 20 | 499 | 47 | 724 |
| 16 | 32 | 432 | 3532 | 65 | 343 | 19 | 183 | 1102 | 80 | 451 | 264 | 3 | 1 | 17 | 166 | 23 | 600 | 54 | 1742 | 8 | 271 | 32 | 606 |
| 17 | 100 | 1114 | 7576 | 119 | 2223 | 21 | 33 | 440 | 52 | 386 | 1392 | 13 | 4 | 45 | 135 | 30 | 880 | 137 | 4678 | 32 | 773 | 93 | 2055 |
| [illegible] | 38 | 615 | 4460 | 112 | 746 | 12 | 82 | 716 | 45 | 316 | 403 | 3 | 1 | 16 | 307 | 17 | 440 | 92 | 3116 | 14 | 360 | 28 | 637 |
| 19 | 59 | 973 | 7296 | 229 | 1560 | 25 | 245 | 1645 | 16 | 173 | 1209 | 7 | 3 | 103 | 441 | 22 | 543 | 112 | 3904 | 19 | 530 | 65 | 2064 |
| 20 | 48 | 705 | 6188 | 46 | 1292 | 14 | 109 | 760 | 23 | 158 | 961 | 3 | ...... | 46 | 151 | 36 | 1080 | 90 | 3018 | 31 | 664 | 47 | 1114 |
| 21 | 29 | 192 | 1464 | ...... | 70 | 1 | 2 | 15 | ...... | ...... | 143 | ...... | ...... | 4 | 34 | 1 | 35 | 34 | 890 | 5 | 73 | 10 | 225 |
| 22 | 74 | 773 | 6494 | 53 | 743 | 31 | 104 | 892 | 18 | 155 | 873 | 5 | ...... | 35 | 176 | 28 | 623 | 105 | 3108 | 22 | 471 | 67 | 1401 |
| 23 | 62 | 953 | 8346 | 198 | 1809 | 20 | 152 | 1411 | 24 | 178 | 1673 | 9 | 1 | 23 | 427 | 42 | 1216 | 108 | 3466 | 50 | 1628 | 78 | 1535 |
| 24 | 14 | 238 | 1701 | 42 | 472 | 2 | 10 | 111 | 9 | 91 | 311 | 1 | ...... | 4 | 143 | 9 | 202 | 33 | 897 | 7 | 280 | 17 | 298 |
| 25 | 143 | 2635 | 20791 | 138 | 4713 | 64 | 550 | 5951 | 41 | 591 | 4364 | 24 | ...... | 187 | 1495 | 78 | 3104 | 313 | 10773 | 74 | 3142 | 232 | 4031 |
| 26 | 118 | 240 | 2682 | 12 | 140 | 83 | 83 | 1430 | ...... | ...... | 471 | 5 | 1 | 20 | 61 | 6 | 85 | 54 | 1034 | 7 | 86 | 46 | 870 |
| 27 | 39 | 491 | 4103 | 169 | 854 | 8 | 96 | 822 | 6 | 119 | 639 | 1 | 2 | 27 | 164 | 13 | 293 | 54 | 1436 | 17 | 486 | 33 | 544 |
| 28 | 25 | 183 | 1437 | 6 | 140 | 1 | 9 | 38 | 10 | 95 | 131 | 1 | ...... | 3 | 20 | ...... | ...... | 16 | 528 | 3 | 49 | 12 | 209 |
| 29 | 31 | 405 | 3046 | 54 | 281 | 8 | 66 | 429 | 24 | 215 | 221 | 5 | ...... | 15 | 165 | 13 | 273 | 62 | 1444 | 9 | 187 | 33 | 564 |
| 30 | 30 | 267 | 1848 | 19 | 480 | 19 | 20 | 501 | 25 | 79 | 275 | 3 | ...... | 12 | 108 | 4 | 151 | 41 | 2063 | 18 | 870 | 26 | 730 |
| 31 | 16 | 206 | 1918 | 33 | 201 | 3 | 14 | 126 | 11 | 122 | 215 | ...... | 1 | 14 | 98 | 7 | 179 | 26 | 824 | 8 | 222 | 15 | 243 |
| 32 | 28 | 461 | 3446 | 97 | 455 | 7 | 49 | 452 | 53 | 444 | 328 | ...... | ...... | 18 | 138 | 19 | 362 | 64 | 1653 | 9 | 244 | 29 | 461 |
| 33 | 4028 | 73420 | 624235 | 18551 | 90930 | 1571 | 10441 | 95278 | 3706 | 31908 | 60969 | 351 | 60 | 3785 | 21085 | 2018 | 68350 | 7548 | 245991 | 1644 | 52683 | 4536 | 95908 |
| 34 | 16 | 120 | 1884 | ...... | ...... | 5 | 5 | 176 | 7 | 186 | 228 | 2 | ...... | 4 | 93 | 6 | 99 | 12 | 302 | ...... | ...... | 11 | 380 |
| 35 | 4 | 53 | 560 | ...... | ...... | 4 | 5 | 206 | 1 | 20 | 59 | ...... | 1 | ...... | 9 | 2 | 41 | 4 | 84 | 3 | 164 | 2 | 43 |
| 36 | 1331 | 2958 | 71732 | ...... | ...... | 905 | 3362 | 72239 | ...... | ...... | 15766 | 46 | ...... | ...... | ...... | 712 | 18976 | 995 | 22291 | ...... | ...... | 112 | 6088 |
| [illegible] | 5379 | 76551 | 698411 | 18551 | 90930 | 2485 | 13813 | 167899 | 3714 | 32114 | 77022 | 399 | 61 | 3789 | 21187 | 2738 | 87466 | 8559 | 268668 | 1647 | 52847 | 4661 | 102419 |

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| | FINANCIAL | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | VALUATION OF CHURCH PROPERTY | | | | | | | CONGREGATIONAL EXPENSES | | | CONGREGATIONAL BENEVOLENCE | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | Unapportioned | | | | | | Apportioned | | | |
| Index Numbers | Church Buildings 40 | Parsonages 41 | School and/or Parish Houses 42 | Endowments 43 | Other Property 44 | Total Valuation (40 to 44) 45 | Indebtedness 46 | Current 47 | Unusual 48 | Total (47 and 48) 49 | Education 50 | Foreign Missions 51 | American Missions 52 | Social Missions 53 | Other Benevolence 54 | Total (50 to 54) 55 | Amount Apportioned By Synods | Amount Paid to Synods 56 | Total Benevolence (55 to 56) 57 | Total Expenditures (49 and 57) 58 |
| 1 | $31186020 | $3206400 | $4045288 | 2569692 | $2604054 | $43611454 | $1696789 | $2772473 | $1925058 | $4697531 | 151943 | $63161 | $ 9599 | 107978 | $440551 | $773232 | 716181 | $729497 | 1502729 | $6200260 |
| 2 | 25156358 | 3274941 | 4214588 | 1625712 | 2968316 | 37239915 | 1630054 | 3278038 | 1208519 | 4486557 | 20473 | 45906 | 12758 | 125363 | 304684 | 509184 | 498434 | 534559 | 1043743 | 5530300 |
| 3 | 4294173 | 984450 | 610123 | 190342 | 1022767 | 7101855 | 155436 | 612783 | 615720 | 1228503 | 47026 | 29847 | 26072 | 49172 | 103307 | 255424 | 124792 | 206186 | 461610 | 1690113 |
| 4 | 8031630 | 960922 | 996343 | 593275 | 967993 | 11550163 | 293668 | 950943 | 367402 | 1318345 | 10871 | 39536 | 8222 | 65305 | 132819 | 256753 | 175705 | 254713 | 511466 | 1829811 |
| 5 | 2334323 | 553612 | 486600 | 41481 | 604479 | 4020495 | 191876 | 313525 | 483515 | 797040 | 27275 | 10412 | 8637 | 22879 | 76009 | 145212 | 79422 | 102930 | 248142 | 1045182 |
| 6 | 27520864 | 3124926 | 1999982 | 1883798 | 1861793 | 36391363 | 766870 | 2939511 | 1370882 | 4310393 | 47825 | 114812 | 21120 | 94096 | 362142 | 639995 | 759392 | 813672 | 1453667 | 5764060 |
| 7 | 2335997 | 525810 | 223495 | 110567 | 581142 | 3777011 | 84262 | 363008 | 244505 | 607513 | 4994 | 10843 | 3993 | 26312 | 55493 | 101635 | 75712 | 104132 | 205767 | 813280 |
| 8 | 11725010 | 1358319 | 1013835 | 477245 | 1047934 | 15622343 | 492729 | 1603542 | 710680 | 2314222 | 8612 | 47859 | 8387 | 72029 | 186815 | 323702 | 579931 | 523452 | 847154 | 3161376 |
| 9 | 12612130 | 1582235 | 745727 | 425721 | 1163170 | 16528983 | 782782 | 1558356 | 887074 | 2445430 | 8280 | 25215 | 12279 | 69822 | 211379 | 326975 | 368088 | 444739 | 771714 | 3217144 |
| 10 | 3356925 | 415629 | 164550 | 109159 | 627412 | 4673675 | 181964 | 432451 | 292735 | 725186 | 4681 | 11355 | 3642 | 8781 | 51430 | 79889 | 96154 | 120377 | 200266 | 925452 |
| 11 | 6334637 | 1048518 | 271600 | 171011 | 712993 | 8538759 | 540834 | 998774 | 594996 | 1593770 | 18554 | 30839 | 9917 | 28116 | 127319 | 214745 | 229681 | 286246 | 500991 | 2094761 |
| 12 | 591550 | 146300 | 191700 | 250 | 144653 | 1074453 | 194632 | 105212 | 117610 | 222822 | 777 | 1697 | 73 | 2043 | 13394 | 17984 | 37660 | 28823 | 46807 | 269629 |
| 13 | 144700 | 27700 | 700 | ....... | 700 | 173800 | 40393 | 10556 | 11375 | 21931 | ...... | 23 | ...... | 188 | 1578 | 1789 | 1602 | 1960 | 3749 | 25680 |
| 14 | 1649524 | 240900 | 89500 | 9607 | 396893 | 2386424 | ........ | 269572 | 104649 | 374221 | 1443 | 7122 | 3036 | 13202 | 41983 | 66786 | 57371 | 77505 | 144291 | 518512 |
| 15 | 1287697 | 230146 | 100319 | 550 | 272114 | 1890826 | 259925 | 243548 | 181424 | 424972 | 1873 | 6523 | 1495 | 7954 | 23747 | 41592 | 42750 | 55706 | 97298 | 522270 |
| 16 | 1001450 | 164500 | 220650 | 33350 | 208336 | 1628286 | 103099 | 147592 | 91137 | 238729 | 1633 | 3495 | 1302 | 5870 | 33280 | 45580 | 27433 | 35573 | 81153 | 319882 |
| 17 | 2361209 | 335784 | 170750 | 48844 | 169456 | 3086043 | 172545 | 313338 | 192172 | 505510 | 36485 | 6248 | 3568 | 6798 | 47181 | 100280 | 121109 | 96477 | 196757 | 702267 |
| [illegible] | 1292976 | 245826 | 39500 | 22091 | 144604 | 1744997 | 65480 | 190843 | 111597 | 302440 | 2357 | 4978 | 1746 | 5594 | 27873 | 42548 | 39992 | 50948 | 93496 | 395936 |
| 19 | 1542490 | 245050 | ........ | 17200 | 298665 | 2103405 | 29539 | 268328 | 197548 | 465876 | 4783 | 7543 | 2616 | 9735 | 36536 | 61213 | 76920 | 85137 | 146350 | 612226 |
| 20 | 1599250 | 307300 | 87400 | 10500 | 187557 | 2192007 | 119508 | 295402 | 115233 | 410635 | 545 | 1981 | 1698 | 4340 | 35257 | 43821 | ...... | 62266 | 106087 | 516722 |
| 21 | 180610 | 36320 | 4000 | ....... | 18800 | 239730 | 4400 | 39732 | 8063 | 47795 | ...... | 130 | 25 | 2016 | 1175 | 3346 | 7125 | 2731 | 6077 | 53872 |
| 22 | 1273925 | 330575 | 16690 | 58410 | 87509 | 1767109 | 60475 | 236623 | 213614 | 450237 | 2056 | 1694 | 27 | 7818 | 39965 | 51560 | 63220 | 59521 | 111081 | 561318 |
| 23 | 2540888 | 480167 | 152080 | 131466 | 498705 | 3803306 | 693042 | 445399 | 319257 | 764656 | 5529 | 7703 | 2730 | 9980 | 50791 | 76733 | 62875 | 100307 | 177040 | 941696 |
| 24 | 491020 | 112950 | 10000 | 166 | 160000 | 774136 | 105554 | 94463 | 40255 | 134718 | 543 | 1156 | 627 | 3109 | 10160 | 15595 | 26435 | 25703 | 41298 | 176016 |
| 25 | 5446648 | 760323 | 432936 | 131414 | 808849 | 7580170 | 491223 | 1011841 | 475333 | 1487174 | 15361 | 21877 | 9089 | 36010 | 147154 | 229491 | ...... | 342214 | 571705 | 2058879 |
| 26 | 417530 | 149900 | 3260 | ....... | 49837 | 620527 | 32842 | 109250 | 45295 | 154545 | 729 | 780 | 195 | 2019 | 20379 | 24102 | ...... | 24908 | 49010 | 203555 |
| 27 | 800100 | 175200 | 43300 | 5000 | 90213 | 1113813 | 227404 | 163591 | 113189 | 276780 | 1126 | 2252 | 1554 | 5146 | 13847 | 23925 | 25395 | 36131 | 60056 | 336836 |
| [illegible] | 283200 | 35091 | 2600 | 19500 | 18375 | 358766 | 1850 | 31424 | 9670 | 41094 | 395 | 585 | 100 | 205 | 6161 | 7446 | 9693 | 9226 | 16672 | 57766 |
| 29 | 825066 | 140000 | 750 | 28300 | 97227 | 1091343 | 39010 | 103152 | 48526 | 151678 | 138 | 2719 | 66 | 2087 | 11606 | 16616 | 18965 | 27276 | 43892 | 195570 |
| [illegible] | 1157350 | 274400 | 41000 | 4309 | 141100 | 1618159 | 35446 | 194689 | 65346 | 260035 | 994 | 2025 | ...... | 50 | 7815 | 10884 | ...... | 6109 | 16993 | 277028 |
| 31 | 565600 | 93148 | 54000 | ....... | 103003 | 815751 | 85316 | 89730 | 109894 | 199624 | 2142 | 3649 | 894 | 3077 | 7554 | 17316 | 13395 | 14139 | 31455 | 231079 |
| 32 | 1356950 | 212500 | 30000 | 69223 | 432524 | 2101197 | 113874 | 170275 | 130276 | 300551 | 1364 | 5278 | 788 | 5883 | 20184 | 33497 | 29431 | 40452 | 73949 | 374500 |
| 33 | 161697800 | 21779842 | 16463266 | 8788183 | 18491173 | 227220264 | 9692821 | 20357964 | 11402549 | 31760513 | 430807 | 519243 | 156255 | 802977 | 2649568 | 4558850 | ...... | 5303615 | 9862465 | 41622978 |
| [illegible] | 207300 | 76200 | 7000 | ....... | 11000 | 301500 | ........ | 14671 | 2507 | 17178 | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | 785 | 785 | ...... | 1835 | 2620 | 19798 |
| 35 | 105000 | 37000 | 50000 | ....... | 3000 | 195000 | 10000 | 8673 | 320 | 8993 | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | 49 | 49 | ...... | 1668 | 1717 | 10710 |
| 36 | 194770 | 92800 | 30000 | ....... | 1792340 | 2109910 | ........ | 135187 | ........ | 135187 | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | 75024 | 75024 | ...... | ....... | 75024 | 210211 |
| 37 | 162204870 | 21985842 | 16550266 | 8788183 | 20297513 | 229826674 | 9702821 | 20516495 | 11405376 | 31921871 | 430807 | 519243 | 156255 | 802977 | 2725426 | 4634708 | ...... | 5307118 | 9941826 | 41863697 |

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(Compiled by Board of Foreign Missions)

| Index Numbers | COUNTRY | SYNOD | When Organized | Ordained Missionaries | Unordained Missionaries Men and Women (not including Wives) | Ordained National Pastors | Other National Workers | Congregations | PAROCHIAL<br>Membership<br>Baptized | <br>Membership<br>Confirmed | <br>Membership<br>Communing | <br>Child Members<br>Net Accessions | <br>Child Members<br>Net Losses | <br>Adult Members<br>Net Accessions | <br>Adult Members<br>Net Losses |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Argentina......... | United Evangelical Lutheran Church.......... | March 8, 1948 | 8 | 2 | 7 | 88 | 14 | 2216 | 1624 | 1097 | .... | 7 | 65 | ... |
| 2 | British Guiana....... | Evangelical Lutheran Church in British Guiana. | July 15, 1943 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 65 | 33 | 3818 | 1638 | 1638 | 329 | .. | .... | 130 |
| 3 | China............ | ........................................ | 1898 | 8 | 7 | 9 | 83 | 14 | 2703 | 1676 | 1676 | 529 | .. | 198 | ... |
| 4 | India.............. | Andhra Evangelical Lutheran Church.......... | April 1927 | 22 | 37 | 113 | 3897 | 2174 | 231230 | 115496 | 115496 | 2443 | .. | 3336 | ... |
| 5 | Japan.............. | Evangelical Lutheran Church in Japan......... | April 1927 | 8 | 10 | 35 | 160 | 34 | 3124 | 1388 | 1388 | 986 | .. | 88 | ... |
| 6 | Liberia............. | Evangelical Lutheran Church in Liberia....... | May 20, 1948 | 12 | 18 | 5 | 56 | 25 | 1701 | 984 | 719 | 183 | .. | .... | 15 |
| 7 | Totals............ | ........................................ | .............. | 61 | 76 | 172 | 4349 | 2294 | 244792 | 122806 | 122014 | 4470 | 7 | 3687 | 145 |

| Index Numbers | PAROCHIAL<br>Education<br>Sunday Schools<br>Number | <br><br><br>Staff Members | <br><br><br>Pupils | <br><br>Weekday Schools<br>Number | <br><br><br>Teachers | <br><br><br>Pupils | <br><br><br>Inquirers | <br><br><br>Theological Students | <br>Group Organizations<br>Men's<br>Number | <br><br><br>Members | <br><br>Women's<br>Number | <br><br><br>Members | <br><br>Y. People<br>Number | <br><br><br>Members | FINANCIAL<br>Valuation of Church Property<br>Church Edifices | <br><br>Parsonages | <br><br>Schools and Parish Houses | <br><br>Other Property | <br><br>Total Valuation | <br><br>Congregational Offerings | <br><br>Fees, Grants, etc. | <br>Summary<br>Total Income on Mission Field |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 9 | 28 | 348 | 7 | 79 | 1314 | 146 | 3 | 2 | 30 | 7 | 149 | 7 | 144 | $ 88420 | $92500 | $ 30000 | $ 34340 | $ 245260 | $ 13099 | $ 11666 | $ 24765 |
| 2 | 62 | 32 | 3118 | 12 | 34 | 826 | 397 | .... | 3 | 66 | 10 | 183 | 23 | 701 | 93900 | ....... | ....... | 78000 | 171900 | 7025 | 3480 | 10505 |
| 3 | 11 | 67 | 1124 | 9 | 56 | 1487 | 584 | .... | 13 | 77 | 7 | 151 | 4 | 283 | ........ | ....... | ....... | .......... | .......... | .......... | .......... | .......... |
| 4 | 1198 | 2561 | 62046 | 845 | 3011 | 64654 | 14364 | 36 | 686 | 18664 | 945 | 21416 | 48 | 4102 | ........ | ....... | ....... | 1680000 | 1680000 | 53781 | 636786 | 690567 |
| 5 | 43 | 248 | 4605 | 19 | 159 | 3154 | 196 | 7 | 8 | 139 | 26 | 392 | 29 | 813 | ........ | ....... | ....... | .......... | .......... | .......... | .......... | .......... |
| 6 | 8 | 22 | 491 | 13 | 23 | 804 | 79 | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | 1 | 45 | 12450 | 300 | ....... | .......... | 12750 | 1119 | .......... | 1119 |
| 7 | 1331 | 2958 | 71732 | 905 | 3362 | 72239 | 15766 | 46 | 712 | 18976 | 995 | 22291 | 112 | 6088 | $194770 | $92800 | $30000 | $1792340 | $2109910 | $75024 | $651932 | $726956 |

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| Index Numbers | SYNOD | When Organized | Pastors | Pastoral Charges | Congregations | MEMBERSHIP | | | | | | | | | Percentage of Confirmed Members Reported as Communing |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | | | BAPTIZED | | | CONFIRMED | | | COMMUNING | | | |
| | | | | | | Members | Gain or Loss | | Members | Gain or Loss | | Members | Gain or Loss | | |
| | | | | | | | Net Gain | Net Loss | | Net Gain | Net Loss | | Net Gain | Net Loss | |
| 1 | Ministerium of Pennsylvania | August 15, 1748 | 529 | 422 | 604 | 353938 | 3994 | ...... | 247969 | 1678 | ...... | 178405 | 1856 | ...... | 71.95 |
| 2 | United Synod of New York | October 23, 1786 | 497 | 392 | 419 | 256649 | 4602 | ...... | 174832 | 2519 | ...... | 113065 | 1280 | ...... | 64.67 |
| 3 | United Synod of North Carolina | May 2, 1803 | 162 | 162 | 170 | 53659 | 908 | ...... | 40184 | 507 | ...... | 29152 | 553 | ...... | 72.55 |
| 4 | Maryland Synod | October 11, 1820 | 152 | 104 | 142 | 92182 | 1869 | ...... | 65434 | 1058 | ...... | 42285 | 922 | ...... | 64.62 |
| 5 | Synod of South Carolina | January 14, 1824 | 102 | 78 | 122 | 37701 | 391 | ...... | 28199 | ...... | 13 | 21220 | 460 | ...... | 75.25 |
| 6 | Central Pennsylvania Synod | September 5, 1825 | 490 | 382 | 628 | 296379 | 2658 | ...... | 214736 | 697 | ...... | 140362 | 2267 | ...... | 65.36 |
| 7 | Synod of Virginia | August 10, 1829 | 94 | 92 | 172 | 34127 | 841 | ...... | 26596 | 502 | ...... | 16898 | 425 | ...... | 63.54 |
| 8 | Synod of Ohio | November 7, 1836 | 261 | 205 | 279 | 130353 | 3403 | ...... | 91828 | 2328 | ...... | 67672 | 2022 | ...... | 73.69 |
| 9 | Pittsburgh Synod | January 15, 1845 | 276 | 224 | 308 | 151064 | 2557 | ...... | 107188 | 1391 | ...... | 70627 | 1385 | ...... | 65.89 |
| 10 | Indiana Synod | October 28, 1848 | 87 | 76 | 113 | 33278 | 1030 | ...... | 24498 | 497 | ...... | 17420 | 357 | ...... | 71.11 |
| 11 | Illinois Synod | September 8, 1851 | 177 | 130 | 149 | 87609 | 1643 | ...... | 61489 | 516 | ...... | 42103 | 322 | ...... | 68.47 |
| 12 | Texas Synod | November 10, 1851 | 26 | 21 | 30 | 9297 | 281 | ...... | 6755 | 156 | ...... | 5237 | 165 | ...... | 77.53 |
| 13 | Mississippi Synod | July 25, 1855 | 9 | 7 | 12 | 1513 | 541 | ...... | 1068 | 328 | ...... | 399 | 18 | ...... | 37.36 |
| 14 | Synod of Iowa | September 3, 1855 | 43 | 34 | 34 | 29780 | 581 | ...... | 19834 | 442 | ...... | 13894 | 732 | ...... | 70.05 |
| 15 | Michigan Synod | October 27, 1855 | 39 | 31 | 31 | 16704 | 680 | ...... | 11150 | 279 | ...... | 7856 | 265 | ...... | 70.46 |
| 16 | Georgia-Alabama Synod | July 20, 1860 | 27 | 23 | 35 | 9172 | 481 | ...... | 6221 | 333 | ...... | 4811 | 388 | ...... | 77.33 |
| 17 | Synod of Canada | July 21, 1861 | 90 | 70 | 106 | 36922 | 1175 | ...... | 25790 | 693 | ...... | 21245 | 479 | ...... | 82.38 |
| 18 | Synod of Kansas | November 5, 1868 | 42 | 35 | 42 | 16154 | 420 | ...... | 11438 | 214 | ...... | 6781 | 70 | ...... | 59.28 |
| 19 | Synod of Nebraska | September 1, 1871 | 56 | 52 | 56 | 33511 | 632 | ...... | 22894 | 295 | ...... | 15055 | 382 | ...... | 65.76 |
| 20 | Wartburg Synod | 1875 | 64 | 48 | 48 | 26917 | 759 | ...... | 17845 | 264 | ...... | 13160 | ...... | 409 | 73.75 |
| 21 | Icelandic Synod | June 25, 1885 | 15 | 19 | 42 | 7268 | 121 | ...... | 4995 | 41 | ...... | 1902 | 131 | ...... | 38.08 |
| 22 | Synod in the Midwest | July 24, 1890 | 87 | 66 | 76 | 23497 | 287 | ...... | 16669 | 166 | ...... | 13073 | ...... | 98 | 78.43 |
| 23 | Synod of California | April 2, 1891 | 107 | 66 | 66 | 30342 | 2211 | ...... | 20577 | 1228 | ...... | 14519 | 1083 | ...... | 70.56 |
| 24 | Rocky Mountain Synod | May 6, 1891 | 24 | 17 | 17 | 6818 | 570 | ...... | 4827 | 213 | ...... | 3529 | 275 | ...... | 73.11 |
| 25 | Synod of the Northwest | September 23, 1891 | 147 | 118 | 134 | 95611 | 3141 | ...... | 65679 | 1808 | ...... | 53790 | 1508 | ...... | 81.90 |
| 26 | Synod of Western Canada | July 16, 1897 | 61 | 61 | 127 | 17855 | 240 | ...... | 12038 | 250 | ...... | 8530 | 606 | ...... | 70.86 |
| 27 | Pacific Synod | September 26, 1901 | 46 | 34 | 35 | 12405 | 869 | ...... | 8059 | 491 | ...... | 5008 | 218 | ...... | 62.14 |
| 28 | Nova Scotia Synod | July 10, 1903 | 13 | 8 | 30 | 6847 | 132 | ...... | 3973 | 76 | ...... | 2782 | 145 | ...... | 70.02 |
| 29 | Synod of West Virginia | April 17, 1912 | 22 | 22 | 32 | 9044 | 386 | ...... | 6545 | 244 | ...... | 4141 | 90 | ...... | 63.27 |
| 30 | Slovak-Zion Synod | June 10, 1919 | 37 | 32 | 45 | 20253 | ...... | 55 | 14769 | ...... | 128 | 12081 | 92 | ...... | 81.80 |
| 31 | Synod of Florida | September 24, 1928 | 19 | 15 | 16 | 5428 | 564 | ...... | 3984 | 393 | ...... | 2974 | 328 | ...... | 74.65 |
| 32 | Kentucky-Tennessee Synod | June 6, 1934 | 29 | 26 | 30 | 9925 | 313 | ...... | 7389 | 210 | ...... | 4888 | 41 | ...... | 66.15 |
| 33 | Totals for U.S. and Canada | | 3830 | 3072 | 4150 | 1952569 | 38451 | 55 | 1375588 | 19676 | 141 | 954864 | 18610 | 507 | 69.42 |
| 34 | Puerto Rico | 1898 | 9 | ...... | 15 | 3557 | 195 | 31 | 1398 | 53 | 30 | 1226 | 56 | 19 | 87.70 |
| 35 | Virgin Islands | 1666 | 3 | ...... | 5 | 2417 | 43 | 37 | 1360 | 11 | 7 | 696 | 13 | 8 | 51.18 |
| 36 | Other Countries (Foreign Missions) | | 175 | 2299 | 2299 | 246331 | ...... | ...... | 119700 | ...... | ...... | 122351 | ...... | ...... | *102.21 |
| 37 | U.L.C.A. World Total | | 4017 | 5371 | 6469 | 2204874 | 38689 | 123 | 1498046 | 19740 | 178 | 1079137 | 18679 | 534 | 72.00 |

* In some mission fields persons baptized [illegible] adults are admitted [illegible] communion, but not technically as "confirmed" members classified by the mission.

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| Index Numbers | LOCATION OF CHURCH BUILDING ACCORDING TO POPULATION | | | | | | MEMBERSHIP | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | | | | CHILD MEMBERS | | | | | | | | | | ADULT MEMBERS | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | Accessions | | | Losses | | | | | Gain or Loss | | Accessions | | | | | Losses | | | |
| | 100,000 or over | 25,000 to 99,999 | 10,000 to 24,999 | 2,500 to 9,999 | 500 to 2,499 | Under 500 | By Baptism | Otherwise | Total | Transferred by Confirmation | By death | By certificate | Otherwise | Total | Net Gain | Net Loss | By Baptism | By Confirmation | By Certificate | By Restoration | Total | By Death | By Certificate | Otherwise | Total |
| | Ø | △ | □ | ○ | ● | ■ | 1 | 2 | A | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | B | | | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | C | 11 | 12 | 13 | D |
| 1 | 106 | 46 | 32 | 86 | 120 | 214 | 8184 | 2612 | 10796 | 4272 | 164 | 1155 | 2889 | 8480 | 2316 | ...... | 720 | 6637 | 5433 | 2935 | 15725 | 3071 | 3862 | 7114 | 14047 |
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| 8 | 45 | 41 | 21 | 36 | 51 | 85 | 3903 | 1471 | 5374 | 1215 | 48 | 710 | 2326 | 4299 | 1075 | ...... | 844 | 2824 | 2443 | 1273 | 7384 | 1084 | 1986 | 1986 | 5056 |
| 9 | 37 | 29 | 42 | 66 | 45 | 89 | 3819 | 1264 | 5083 | 1556 | 70 | 814 | 1477 | 3917 | 1166 | ...... | 631 | 2899 | 2530 | 1023 | 7083 | 1217 | 2306 | 2169 | 5692 |
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| 11 | 46 | 14 | 18 | 21 | 22 | 28 | 2707 | 821 | 3528 | 930 | 47 | 416 | 1008 | 2401 | 1127 | ...... | 455 | 1916 | 1394 | 762 | 4527 | 635 | 1266 | 2110 | 4011 |
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| 23 | 33 | 20 | 8 | 5 | .... | .... | 1388 | 945 | 2333 | 263 | 19 | 258 | 810 | 1350 | 983 | ...... | 252 | 1142 | 1712 | 599 | 3705 | 219 | 665 | 1593 | 2477 |
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| 27 | 15 | 8 | 3 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 628 | 275 | 903 | 162 | 11 | 93 | 259 | 525 | 37 | ...... | 148 | 335 | 480 | 259 | 1222 | 70 | 192 | 469 | 731 |
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| 31 | 7 | 3 | 3 | 1 | .... | 2 | 149 | 114 | 263 | 46 | 4 | 17 | 25 | 92 | 171 | ...... | 36 | 174 | 312 | 57 | 579 | 52 | 97 | 37 | 186 |
| 32 | 16 | 4 | .... | 1 | 3 | 6 | 242 | 102 | 344 | 63 | 4 | 51 | 123 | 241 | 103 | ...... | 77 | 189 | 257 | 139 | 662 | 90 | 181 | 181 | 452 |
| 33 | 692 | 427 | 333 | 524 | 747 | 1427 | 51376 | 20571 | 71947 | 21662 | 996 | 8704 | 21810 | 53172 | 18775 | 10 | 8149 | 38739 | 37652 | 18181 | 102721 | 15709 | 26549 | 40787 | 83045 |
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| 35 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | 80 | 24 | 104 | 55 | 3 | 7 | 13 | 78 | 34 | 8 | ...... | 65 | 15 | 25 | 105 | 30 | 31 | 64 | 125 |
| 36 | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | .... | ...... | 7880 | 7880 | ...... | ...... | ...... | 388 | 388 | 7492 | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... |
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| | EDUCATION | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | GROUP ORGANIZATIONS | | | | | | | |
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| | PARISH | | | | | | | | | | | HIGHER | | | | MEN'S | | WOMEN'S | | MIXED | | YOUNG PEOPLE | |
| | Sunday Schools | | | | | Weekday Schools | | | Children of the Church | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Index Numbers | Number 17 | Staff Members 18 | In Sunday School 19 | In Home Department 20 | Cradle Roll 21 | Number 22 | Teachers 23 | Pupils 24 | Leaders 25 | Pupils 26 | Number of Catechumens 27 | In Lutheran Seminaries 28 | In Lutheran Motherhouses 29 | In Other Lutheran Institutes 30 | In Non-Lutheran Institutes 31 | Number 32 | Members 33 | Number 34 | Members 35 | Number 36 | Members 37 | Number 38 | Members 39 |
| 1 | 598 | 13255 | 117183 | 4364 | 15407 | 204 | 1547 | 14576 | 469 | 4173 | 9124 | 43 | 20 | 484 | 3132 | 345 | 12244 | 1100 | 37980 | 250 | 7773 | 695 | 15439 |
| 2 | 420 | 7573 | 56759 | 1236 | 15222 | 172 | 734 | 7381 | 61 | 599 | 7606 | 41 | 4 | 537 | 2883 | 287 | 10603 | 942 | 32491 | 278 | 8782 | 735 | 16482 |
| 3 | 167 | 3269 | 31001 | 563 | 1799 | 113 | 929 | 9427 | 442 | 4246 | 2068 | 25 | ...... | 211 | 558 | 121 | 3401 | 206 | 7981 | 15 | 450 | 182 | 4211 |
| 4 | 143 | 3803 | 34815 | 1182 | 4967 | 46 | 476 | 3605 | 206 | 1505 | 2825 | 21 | 2 | 81 | 911 | 79 | 2810 | 286 | 11921 | 63 | 2769 | 202 | 4708 |
| 5 | 120 | 1915 | 16250 | 363 | 1140 | 82 | 752 | 8170 | 418 | 3113 | 989 | 15 | 2 | 138 | 410 | 53 | 1462 | 158 | 5145 | 7 | 182 | 121 | 2345 |
| 6 | 611 | 14136 | 134381 | 5042 | 13098 | 231 | 1866 | 16611 | 561 | 4906 | 7322 | 57 | 7 | 434 | 2866 | 321 | 13255 | 1164 | 36801 | 217 | 7017 | 633 | 14639 |
| 7 | 152 | 2033 | 16165 | 551 | 1084 | 72 | 545 | 3946 | 112 | 859 | 1289 | 9 | 1 | 69 | 433 | 47 | 1096 | 154 | 4357 | 22 | 732 | 104 | 1989 |
| 8 | 276 | 5632 | 48389 | 1335 | 7655 | 87 | 633 | 5615 | 384 | 2886 | 5297 | 40 | 2 | 316 | 1714 | 136 | 5102 | 694 | 22621 | 173 | 6029 | 329 | 5968 |
| 9 | 302 | 5786 | 46465 | 1635 | 7125 | 108 | 797 | 6231 | 238 | 1933 | 4812 | 40 | 2 | 340 | 1517 | 160 | 4874 | 754 | 20264 | 127 | 3984 | 313 | 6608 |
| 10 | 112 | 1865 | 12648 | 327 | 1910 | 32 | 165 | 1566 | 34 | 325 | 1067 | 10 | 2 | 62 | 460 | 35 | 1009 | 206 | 6341 | 70 | 1793 | 97 | 1521 |
| 11 | 147 | 3059 | 24403 | 460 | 4654 | 36 | 265 | 2246 | 120 | 1209 | 2544 | 23 | ...... | 224 | 1183 | 103 | 2985 | 381 | 11214 | 115 | 4258 | 185 | 3524 |
| 12 | 30 | 407 | 3446 | ...... | 441 | 2 | 14 | 60 | 91 | 549 | 342 | 4 | 2 | 16 | 135 | 20 | 460 | 36 | 1427 | 9 | 245 | 32 | 526 |
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| 14 | 34 | 757 | 7321 | 207 | 1887 | 15 | 158 | 1451 | 25 | 383 | 1346 | 9 | ...... | 62 | 399 | 15 | 515 | 64 | 4174 | 30 | 1473 | 60 | 1613 |
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| 16 | 32 | 457 | 3859 | 59 | 281 | 22 | 186 | 1026 | 106 | 627 | 329 | 5 | 1 | 24 | 138 | 27 | 594 | 59 | 1853 | 11 | 349 | 43 | 726 |
| 17 | 103 | 1155 | 7823 | ...... | 2618 | 16 | 25 | 366 | 58 | 471 | 1518 | 13 | ...... | 48 | 130 | 24 | 814 | 135 | 4778 | 29 | 776 | 83 | 2033 |
| 18 | 38 | 672 | 4891 | 142 | 816 | 14 | 111 | 835 | 28 | 286 | 505 | 3 | 1 | 21 | 297 | 20 | 430 | 95 | 2879 | 17 | 505 | 35 | 600 |
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| 20 | 48 | 713 | 6306 | 16 | 1562 | 12 | 99 | 733 | 20 | 123 | 891 | 3 | 1 | 46 | 161 | 36 | 1129 | 86 | 3046 | 27 | 641 | 53 | 1277 |
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| 22 | 72 | 800 | 6605 | 6 | 931 | 30 | 122 | 1118 | 19 | 173 | 718 | 7 | ...... | 34 | 148 | 29 | 667 | 104 | 3132 | 20 | 532 | 67 | 1418 |
| 23 | 68 | 1060 | 9683 | 207 | 2034 | 23 | 151 | 1429 | 19 | 171 | 1899 | 10 | 1 | 25 | 492 | 45 | 1283 | 110 | 3576 | 63 | 2008 | 87 | 1681 |
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| 25 | 145 | 2613 | 22061 | 143 | 6162 | 55 | 546 | 5376 | 105 | 871 | 4663 | 29 | 1 | 184 | 1482 | 82 | 3022 | 323 | 11036 | 69 | 3368 | 205 | 4729 |
| 26 | 125 | 282 | 2885 | 22 | 213 | 74 | 77 | 1363 | 2 | 18 | 658 | 7 | 2 | 21 | 104 | 6 | 89 | 54 | 1079 | 10 | 172 | 47 | 892 |
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| 29 | 31 | 385 | 3002 | 23 | 339 | 8 | 45 | 337 | 23 | 193 | 278 | 4 | ...... | 11 | 139 | 16 | 306 | 64 | 1552 | 6 | 143 | 22 | 326 |
| 30 | 32 | 273 | 1930 | 40 | 535 | 17 | 28 | 517 | 20 | 177 | 321 | 4 | ...... | 10 | 106 | 8 | 253 | 40 | 2066 | 17 | 887 | 32 | 853 |
| 31 | 16 | 224 | 2051 | 79 | 200 | 5 | 31 | 198 | 14 | 114 | 211 | ...... | ...... | 20 | 90 | 9 | 224 | 28 | 890 | 9 | 234 | 13 | 279 |
| 32 | 27 | 475 | 3591 | 90 | 407 | 7 | 52 | 473 | 49 | 469 | 391 | 3 | ...... | 13 | 136 | 21 | 405 | 63 | 1576 | 8 | 251 | 26 | 384 |
| 33 | 4058 | 75431 | 646056 | 18499 | 96832 | 1553 | 10867 | 98449 | 3726 | 31420 | 62326 | 452 | 57 | 3596 | 21125 | 2114 | 70632 | 7623 | 249973 | 1738 | 57912 | 4591 | 98272 |
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| | FINANCIAL | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | VALUATION OF CHURCH PROPERTY | | | | | | | CONGREGATIONAL EXPENSES | | | CONGREGATIONAL BENEVOLENCE | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | Unapportioned | | | | | | Apportioned | | | |
| Index Numbers | Church Buildings | Parsonages | Schools and/or Parish Houses | Endowments | Other Property | Total Valuation (40 to 44) | Indebtedness | Current | Unusual | Total (47 and 48) | Education | Foreign Missions | American Missions | Social Missions | Other Benevolence | Total (50 to 54) | Amount Apportioned By Synods | Amount Paid to Synods | Tota Benevolence (55 to 56) | Total Expenditures (49 and 57) |
| | 40 | 41 | 42 | 43 | 44 | 45 | 46 | 47 | 48 | 49 | 50 | 51 | 52 | 53 | 54 | 55 | | 56 | 57 | 58 |
| 1 | $32831743 | $3582896 | $4340411 | $2728422 | $2816991 | $46300463 | $1828263 | $3025190 | $2330564 | $5355754 | 44728 | $66289 | $11182 | $121915 | $403381 | $647495 | $782488 | $728608 | $1376103 | $6731857 |
| 2 | 26865352 | 3557881 | 4376168 | 1522284 | 3092490 | 39414175 | 1985341 | 3525988 | 1605773 | 5131761 | 20691 | 50895 | 10195 | 129223 | 309628 | 520632 | 545719 | 546511 | 1067143 | 6198904 |
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| 4 | 8866443 | 1000985 | 1089000 | 627553 | 1205475 | 12789436 | 408793 | 1037972 | 576940 | 1614912 | 14995 | 38575 | 8135 | 77370 | 133962 | 273037 | 206303 | 207472 | 480509 | 2095421 |
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| 6 | 29211197 | 3424203 | 2329830 | 2075344 | 1838921 | 38879495 | 1162825 | 3112695 | 1748208 | 4860903 | 55722 | 123235 | 16675 | 210120 | 417580 | 823335 | 807180 | 738636 | 1561971 | 6422874 |
| 7 | 2784337 | 588585 | 276400 | 124147 | 561981 | 4335450 | 193831 | 374269 | 526763 | 901032 | 5364 | 9232 | 3674 | 27431 | 57086 | 102787 | 103703 | 95305 | 198092 | 1099124 |
| 8 | 12615824 | 1463835 | 1040338 | 491487 | 1296201 | 16907685 | 580365 | 1789995 | 870499 | 2660494 | 10824 | 43418 | 11944 | 67641 | 191138 | 324965 | 444677 | 460561 | 785526 | 3446020 |
| 9 | 14080409 | 1732729 | 785134 | 389037 | 1164563 | 18151872 | 1068629 | 1729242 | 963666 | 2692908 | 17818 | 36614 | 19334 | 118800 | 217209 | 409775 | 439512 | 406561 | 816336 | 3509244 |
| 10 | 3852875 | 466833 | 162400 | 175416 | 516973 | 5174497 | 35908 | 480727 | 266452 | 747179 | 11944 | 13782 | 4334 | 10181 | 61867 | 102108 | 105669 | 102380 | 204488 | 951667 |
| 11 | 6786441 | 1121422 | 338700 | 181705 | 908759 | 9337027 | 626220 | 1096051 | 525109 | 1621160 | 13169 | 30215 | 12999 | 28597 | 118065 | 203045 | 240827 | 284210 | 487255 | 2108415 |
| 12 | 716450 | 145450 | 229800 | 40539 | 100261 | 1232500 | 225769 | 121756 | 192539 | 314295 | 907 | 1613 | 1178 | 3023 | 10958 | 17679 | 34306 | 28229 | 45908 | 360203 |
| 13 | 195300 | 27700 | 700 | ........ | 700 | 224400 | 66800 | 13399 | 15840 | 29239 | 10 | 20 | 100 | 229 | 1214 | 1583 | 1700 | 1521 | 3104 | 32343 |
| 14 | 1876300 | 244500 | 49500 | 12454 | 464486 | 2647240 | 93432 | 313632 | 164570 | 478202 | 1785 | 8794 | 1059 | 15004 | 38928 | 65570 | 64165 | 67190 | 132760 | 610962 |
| 15 | 1506752 | 233646 | 135319 | 11325 | 213917 | 2100959 | 270546 | 264399 | 211005 | 475404 | 3504 | 7196 | 1499 | 5902 | 23119 | 41220 | 67544 | 61700 | 102920 | 578324 |
| 16 | 1148200 | 198199 | 307150 | 33100 | 269854 | 1957303 | 247839 | 161095 | 89845 | 250940 | 2995 | 2231 | 2193 | 6298 | 26325 | 40042 | 30265 | 35319 | 75361 | 326301 |
| 17 | 2653100 | 423850 | 198125 | 65883 | 156892 | 3507850 | 188152 | 342408 | 181648 | 524056 | 21984 | 8477 | 2025 | 4830 | 46550 | 84046 | 121300 | 103274 | 187320 | 711376 |
| 18 | 1639112 | 236538 | 37350 | 21671 | 131910 | 2066581 | 132780 | 213941 | 156317 | 370258 | 1553 | 4604 | 1971 | 8032 | 28109 | 44269 | 42361 | 49201 | 93470 | 463728 |
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| 22 | 1554675 | 356575 | 41940 | 23752 | 69625 | 2046567 | 141989 | 225626 | 252572 | 478198 | 1448 | 1498 | 67 | 38912 | 11587 | 53512 | 77794 | 59181 | 112693 | 590891 |
| 23 | 2952963 | 573125 | 164580 | 138889 | 335306 | 4164863 | 900277 | 510806 | 375948 | 886754 | 6657 | 9150 | 6983 | 12519 | 49388 | 84697 | 107468 | 106533 | 191230 | 1077984 |
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| 25 | 6791400 | 805629 | 630748 | 100630 | 590017 | 8918424 | 1014113 | 1098977 | 991040 | 2090017 | 18147 | 21283 | 9096 | 36717 | 135015 | 220258 | ........ | 379682 | 599940 | 2689957 |
| 26 | 480355 | 176470 | 4260 | ........ | 46526 | 707611 | 55645 | 121400 | 64916 | 186316 | 643 | 1063 | 928 | 3440 | 15118 | 21192 | ........ | 28831 | 50023 | 236339 |
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| 29 | 911166 | 152000 | 1000 | 28800 | 121033 | 1213899 | 46050 | 115166 | 57185 | 172351 | 698 | 1860 | 9 | 2935 | 11180 | 16682 | 31598 | 22624 | 39306 | 211657 |
| 30 | 1329950 | 336220 | 41000 | 3309 | 147792 | 1858271 | 64382 | 191131 | 66849 | 257980 | 1131 | 1363 | 11 | 5 | 7957 | 10467 | ........ | 8383 | 18850 | 276830 |
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| 35 | 105000 | 37000 | 55000 | ........ | 3000 | 200000 | ........ | 6373 | 3155 | 9528 | ........ | ........ | ........ | ........ | 2435 | 2435 | ........ | ........ | ........ | ........ |
| 36 | 100870 | 197800 | 30000 | ........ | 1792340 | 2121010 | ........ | ........ | ........ | ........ | ........ | ........ | ........ | ........ | ........ | ........ | ........ | ........ | ........ | ........ |
| 37 | 178063362 | 24246437 | 18380798 | 9108609 | 18536109 | 250147655 | 13173416 | 22150455 | 14888142 | 37038597 | 348792 | 550730 | 196232 | 1032695 | 2607536 | 4735985 | 4686740 | 5064914 | 9798464 | 46231160 |

# I. U. L. C. A. STATISTICAL REPORT OF COUNTRIES OUTSIDE U. S. A. AND CANADA — 1949

(Compiled by Board of Foreign Missions)

| Index Numbers | COUNTRY | SYNOD | When Organized | Ordained Missionaries | Unordained Missionaries Men and Women (not including Wives) | Ordained National Pastors | Other National Workers | Congregations | PAROCHIAL |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | MEMBERSHIP |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Baptized | Confirmed | Communing | Net Accessions |
| 1 | Argentina | United Evangelical Lutheran Church | March 8, 1948 | 8 | 2 | 8 | 88 | 16 | 2523 | 1956 | 1284 | 307 |
| 2 | British Guiana | Evangelical Lutheran Church in British Guiana | July 15, 1943 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 54 | 34 | 4131 | 2130 | 1657 | 313 |
| 3 | China | United Lutheran Church Mission in China | 1925 | 8 | 6 | 8 | 17 | 14 | 2315 | ........ | 1026 | 388 (loss) |
| 4 | India | Andhra Evangelical Lutheran Church | April 1927 | 28 | 35 | 113 | 3897 | 2174 | 231766 | 115614 | 115614 | 6315 |
| 5 | Japan | Evangelical Lutheran Church in Japan | April 1927 | 8 | 11 | 37 | 190 | 36 | 3888 | ........ | 2051 | 764 |
| 6 | Liberia | Evangelical Lutheran Church in Liberia | May 20, 1948 | 12 | 16 | 6 | 56 | 25 | 1708 | ........ | 719 | 181 |
| 7 | Totals |  |  | 67 | 72 | 175 | 4302 | 2299 | 246331 | 119700 | 122351 | 7880 |

| Index Numbers | PAROCHIAL |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | FINANCIAL |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | EDUCATION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | GROUP ORGANIZATIONS |  |  |  |  |  | VALUATION OF CHURCH PROPERTY |  |  |  |  |  |  | SUMMARY |
|  | SUNDAY SCHOOLS |  |  | DAY SCHOOLS |  |  |  |  | MEN'S |  | WOMEN'S |  | Y. PEOPLE'S |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Number | Staff Members | Pupils | Number | Teachers | Pupils | Inquirers | Theological Students | Number | Members | Number | Members | Number | Members | Church Edifices | Parsonages | Schools and Parish Houses | Other Property | Total Valuation | Congregational Offering | Fees, Grants, etc. | Total Income on Mission Field |
| 1 | 12 | 23 | 444 | 7 | 79 | 1336 | 146 | 2 | ...... | ...... | 6 | 156 | 8 | 241 | $ 88420 | $ 92500 | $30000 | $ 34340 | $ 245260 | $ 4605 | $ 25303 | $ 29908 |
| 2 | 62 | 32 | 3267 | 11 | 38 | 779 | 476 | ...... | 2 | 36 | 9 | 162 | 24 | 558 | ........ | 105000 | ....... | 78000 | 183000 | 13977 | .......... | 13977 |
| 3 | 10 | 48 | 551 | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ........ | ........ | ....... | ........ | ........ | ........ | .......... | .......... |
| 4 | 1198 | 2561 | 62046 | 845 | 3011 | 64654 | 14364 | 36 | 868 | 18664 | 945 | 2146 | 48 | 4102 | ........ | ........ | ....... | 1680000 | 1680000 | 53781 | 636786 | 690567 |
| 5 | 65 | 32 | 6787 | 22 | 159 | 3155 | 196 | 32 | ...... | ...... | 28 | 503 | 57 | 1048 | ........ | ........ | ....... | ........ | ........ | 8000 | .......... | 8000 |
| 6 | 8 | 22 | 491 | 13 | 23 | 804 | 79 | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | ...... | 1 | 45 | 12450 | 300 | ....... | ........ | 12750 | 1119 | .......... | 1119 |
| 7 | 1355 | 3011 | 73586 | 898 | 3310 | 70728 | 15261 | 70 | 870 | 18700 | 988 | 2967 | 138 | 5994 | 100870 | 197800 | 30000 | 1792340 | 2121010 | 81482 | 662089 | 743571 |

The hour for the Special Order for the consideration of the budget having arrived, President Fry called upon Treasurer Henry Beisler to present the recommendations related to and directly concerning the budget for the year 1952 and the year 1953.

Treasurer Beisler called attention to changes which were made in the recommended budget figures for the Board of Deaconess Work. (See III, 35, p. 168.)

Recommendation 1 (p. 164) was adopted.

Recommendation 2 (p. 164) was adopted.

Recommendation 3 (pp. 164, 165) was unanimously adopted.

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The convention continued the consideration of items from the Executive Board.

Secretary Reinartz presented the item concerning Surveys of Interdenominational Relationships of ULCA Constituent Synods, Congregations and Ministers, Boards and Agencies (VIII, E, 1, pp. 486-502), and moved the following:

> "Moved that The United Lutheran Church in America encourage its constituent synods to submit in advance, for review and counsel by the Executive Board, proposals to establish relationships with state councils or other interdenominational agencies." (See p. 501)

The motion was adopted.

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The Rev. J. J. Scherer, moved the adoption of the report of the auditor on the account of the Lutheran Church House (XI, 1, p. 572).

The motion was adopted.

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At this point the president gave opportunity for delegates to ask questions or offer relevant motions concerning "unstarred items in the report of the Executive Board." No such questions or motions were forthcoming.

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The Rev. Luther D. Reed presented the report of the Archivist.

## REPORT OF THE ARCHIVIST

The Archivist respectfully reports receipt of the following items during the biennium 1948-50.

Official Minutes of the Fifteenth Biennial Convention, 1946, from the Secretary of the Church.

Minute Book of the Commission on Adjudication, 1919-42, from Prof. P. W. H. Frederick, D.D.

Correspondence of President Franklin Clark Fry, 1947-48, classified and arranged by Miss Margaret Duhme, secretary.

This material is very extensive and covers practically all the activities of the Church at home and abroad: correspondence, reports, etc. of 45 boards, commissions, committees, etc.; 28 synods of the United Lutheran Church; 5 other Lutheran churches in the U.S.; National Lutheran Council, Lutheran World Federation, Lutheran World Action, Canadian Lutheran Council, Federal Council of Churches, World Council of Churches, etc. In addition there is a large volume of correspondence with individuals and a mass of foreign correspondence, the latter, in many instances, with government and military as well as church authorities in Austria, Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, Estonia, China, England, France, Finland, Germany, Holland, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Japan, Yugoslavia, Palestine, Poland, Roumania, and Russia.

LUTHER D. REED, *Archivist*

The president announced that the next business before the house was the further consideration of the recommendations of the Board of Education concerning the Inter-Lutheran Post-Graduate Seminary (pp. 782-787). The presentation was made by Dr. John L. Deaton, president, and Executive Secretary Gould Wickey.

Dr. Wickey filled in for the convention the background of the proposal and spoke of the plans and procedures involved, and answered numerous questions which had been addressed to him concerning the project.

A motion to adopt recommendation 6 (p. 794) was made and seconded.

Dr. C. C. Stoughton presented the following motion:

> "Moved to amend by striking from the recommendation everything following and including the words 'basic plan for' and inserting in their place 'proposal for an Inter-Lutheran Theological Seminary.'"

The Rev. Edmund A. Steimle moved an extension of the session for thirty minutes.

The motion was adopted by a two-thirds vote .

The motion of Dr. C. C. Stoughton amending recommendation 6 was adopted.

Dr. C. C. Stoughton presented the following further motion:

> "Moved that this convention refer this report back to the Board of Education and instruct the Board of Education to refer it to the Joint Committee of the four participating bodies asking for further study, a report to be made to the next convention of the United Lutheran Church."

The motion was adopted. (For related action, see pp. 1054, 1055)

The president announced that the adoption of the above motion of reference causes recommendations 7, 8, 9 and 10 to fall to the ground.

Recommendation 11 (p. 794) was adopted.

Recommendation 12 (p. 794) was adopted.

The report of the auditors for the Christian Higher Education Year Appeal, p. 810, was adopted.

At adjournment, the business before the house was questions and germane motions on the report of the Board of Education.

The president declared the session adjourned. The chaplain led the convention in closing prayer.

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## SEVENTH MEETING

### Third Session

KRNT Radio Theater, Des Moines, Iowa
Wednesday, October 11, 1950, 7:45 P.M.

The chaplain conducted the devotions.

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President Fry read a letter received from Secretary E. J. Braulich of the American Lutheran Church, giving the full text of that Church's resolutions dealing with Christian fellowship, as adopted at the American Lutheran Church's convention at Columbus, Ohio, October 10, 1950.

Dr. James C. Kinard, chairman, presented the following report of the Committee of Reference and Counsel:

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AND COUNSEL

We recommend that immediately following the Report of the Investment Commission a Special Order be set for the consideration of unfinished business, arranged as follows:

1st—Board Education
2nd—Board of Pensions and Relief
3rd—(a) Standards for Women Workers
    (b) Recommendations of Board of Deaconess Work
4th—Committee on German Interests
5th—Report of Committee on President's Report
6th—Proposed Amendments to the By-Laws

In making this recommendation the Committee would remind the convention of the necessity of saving as much time as possible.

The recommendation was adopted.

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President Fry called for the report of the Investment Commission, and recognized Dr. William H. Stackel for the presentation of the report. Dr. Stackel reviewed the history of the rules under which the Investment Commission operates, and praised the "exhibition of true Christan forbearance" evdenced by finance committees and fiscal officers of boards and agencies in their dealings with the Commission. Dr. Stackel presented the recommendations of the Commission.

## REPORT OF INVESTMENT COMMISSION

*(For action, see p. 1054 of these Minutes)*

Twenty years ago the Church created the Investment Commission. Ten years ago after a decade of exploratory operations the Church adopted an amended set of Rules and Regulations for the Commission. These have since been further amended in such matters as the number of its own members and of its executive committee, time of meetings, and other organizational details. Articles X and XI have never been amended and stand today as the instruction of the Church to the Commission and to all of its boards and agencies holding endowment or investible funds.

Interwoven throughout these articles is the idea that the Investment Commission is the Church's agency for keeping check upon the investment operations of the several boards. (Wherever "boards" is used, the term "boards and agencies of the Church holding endowment or investible funds" is implied.) The Church appoints auditors to check the financial operations of its boards and by the same token it has created an Investment Commission to check their investment operations. The Church in convention is not in position to make such checks and therefore sets up agencies to function for it in these respects. It is clear that when the Commission acts or speaks it does so as the Church's authorized agent. It is both necessary and wholesome that there be an Investment Commission with these functions. Boards themselves should be the first to recognize this fact and do all in their power to assist the Commission to become in practice a strong and wholesome influence in their investment operations.

There is good precedent for this type of oversight. No bank or insurance system in the country would be considered safe without the check and oversight of supervisory authorities who enter into every phase of an institution's operations including their investments. This applies as well to strong institutions which are superbly staffed. We must beget confidence of potential donors and testators and must satisfy the conscience of the Church by the most meticulous and thoroughgoing system and performance in investment matters.

With steadily improving staff operations at the Church House under the direction of our faithful comptroller, we are in position to progress further and with this in mind we have undertaken a re-examination of Articles X and XI of our Rules and Regulations, the complete text of which follows:

"X. Exercise of Advisory Powers

"The Commission acting ad interim through its officers and executive committee shall establish a vital, continuing relationship with the finance committee and fiscal officer of every board and agency of the Church holding endowment and other investible funds and shall inform itself concerning the investment policies and procedure of such boards and agencies and the investments purchased and held by them. It shall present in writing to the finance committee or fiscal officer of any board or agency its judgment and advice concerning any investment matter which it may deem of sufficient importance. Its executive committee shall at least once in each calendar year review the portfolio and the investment policy and procedure of every such board and agency, calling for such data as it may deem advisable and at its option reporting its findings to the finance committee or to the full board or agency so examined. It shall, whenever it deems such course advisable, request a hearing by the finance committee or by the board or agency. It shall report to the Church or ad interim to its Executive Board any situation not susceptible of adjustment directly with any board or agency. In the exercise of these duties and powers the Commission shall in no wise interfere with the proper and orderly discharge by any board or agency of its investment functions and shall operate solely in an advisory capacity and through reports to the proper authorities.

"In the exercise of its advisory powers the Commission, acting ad interim through its officers and executive committee, shall among other things—

*a*) Offer recommendations concerning investment matters to any board or agency of the Church.

b) Upon request, arrange for supervisory investment services for any such board or agency, either through its own organization or through an institution or agency approved by it.

c) Formulate suggestions from time to time for the guidance of all such boards and agencies in the making, safeguarding, and custody of investments and for the investment and supervision of mortgages.

### "XI. CO-OPERATION OF BOARDS AND AGENCIES

"Every board and agency of the Church holding endowment or investible funds shall co-operate with the Commission in the exercise of its advisory functions and shall among other things—

*a*) Keep the chairman of the Commission closely advised of all changes in its investments and of all changes in its investment policy and procedure as may be outlined from time to time by its finance committee.

*b*) Present at its earliest board meeting any communication from the Commission addressed to the board and advise the chairman of the Commission of the action taken thereon. Similarly its finance committee shall advise action taken with respect to any request or communication received by it from the Commission."

Let us examine seriatim the instructions of the Church as contained in these articles. We number the items for convenience of reference.

1. The officers and executive committee of the Commission "shall establish a vital, continuing relationship with the finance committee and fiscal officer of every board." This presumes personal conferences as well as correspondence and telephone contacts where necessary. Up to now this has not been accomplished to the desired extent in the case of all boards. We mean henceforth to have an officer or members of our executive committee meet personally at least once a year with the finance committee of every board to review procedure and policy, to exchange views freely, and to bring the viewpoint of the Commission clearly into focus. This is one of the possibilities resulting from more complete staff operation. In such conferences there should be the greatest freedom of expression with no pride of opinion on either side. Humility is a marked characteristic of experienced investors and none need feel that all of the wisdom reposes on either side of the conference table. The ultimate ideal should be for each board to have top investment talent and for both boards and Commission to benefit each other in such give and take conferences.

2. The Commission "shall inform itself concerning the investment policies and procedure of such boards and agencies and the investments purchased and held by them." Please read in connection with this subparagraph (*a*) of Article XI. There is an established procedure by which all boards notify the comptroller as changes are made in their portfolios so that there can be maintained at the Church House up-to-date lists of the various portfolios. But it would also be desirable that each board and its finance committee furnish the Commission with copies of all its minutes dealing with investment matters. For some time the Board of Pensions and Relief has been following that practice. This is the best means of complying fully with the above quoted provision.

3. The Commission "shall present in writing to the finance committee or fiscal officer of any board or agency its judgment and advice concerning any investment matter which it may deem of sufficient importance." Read also in this connection subparagraph (*a*) of Article X. It is clear that the Commission is not expected to be passive in its attitude but must take the initiative and speak its mind freely on any investment matter.

4. The executive committee of the Commission "shall at least once in each calendar year review the portfolio and the investment policy and procedure of every such board and agency, calling for such data as it may deem advisable and at its

option reporting its findings to the finance committee or to the full board or agency so examined." Read also subparagraph (*b*) of Article XI. Here we have an all inclusive examination which goes not merely to portfolio but also to policy and procedure. This may call for inquiry into such matters as the composition of the finance committee and the frequency of its meetings; whether there is collective judgment in determining investment matters or whether this is left largely to one person; and whether investment procedure complies with the By-Laws. Also involved is the extent to which investment policies and communications from the Investment Commission are brought to the attention of the board. This is a sweeping mandate which requires much implementation to bring our performance in line. Boards and finance committees must prepare with patience and due consideration to bear with the Commission's officers and executive committee as these powers and duties are fully implemented.

5. In subparagraph (*b*) of Article X we have recognition of the fact that the Commission itself might deem outside investment advisory services desirable or necessary. While no express instruction is given to boards on this matter, it is clearly implied that the Commission would be the one to decide and arrange for such services. Perhaps the Church should be coming to a uniform policy in this regard since all endowments are equally sacred and need equal protection. This is one of the questions which the Commission desires to explore with the boards concerned and hopes to report fully at the next convention of the Church.

6. But in the same subparagraph (*b*) the Commission is authorized "through its own organization" to "arrange for supervisory investment services." This the Commission has done in the case of three boards — Women's Missionary Society, Board of Education (including College for Women), and Executive Board. It has virtually done the same for the Deaconess Board. In such cases the Commission has taken its obligation seriously and through its executive committee has functioned actively, initiating recommendations and reviewing portfolios with some frequency. An impartial review of its record in this regard will indicate the type of the Commission's performance.

7. At times the question has been raised, "Why should not the Commission approve investments before they are made?" The answer to this is contained in Article X: "the Commission shall in no wise interfere with the proper and orderly discharge by any board or agency of its investment functions and shall operate solely in an advisory capacity and through reports to the proper authorities." The Commission is not a superboard but a supervisory and advisory commission. Its aim must be to encourage and not to stifle initiative and the sense of primary responsibility by the several finance committees.

8. But then the question arises, "Does the Commission have enough power to remedy any serious situation which might arise?" Read now this portion of Article X: "It shall, whenever it deems such course advisable, request a hearing by the finance committee or by the board or agency. It shall report to the Church or ad interim to its Executive Board any situation not susceptible of adjustment directly with any board or agency." We believe no powers beyond these are needed to meet any exigency. (*See Recommendations 1 and 2*)

9. It seems proper here to state that the Commission's responsibility with respect to the Contributory Pension Plan is set forth in the constitution of that plan as follows:

> "All funds of the contributory pension plan shall be invested only upon the approval of the Pension Board or of its Finance Committee. Every such investment shall be promptly reported to the Commission on Investments of the Church which shall promptly ratify or disapprove such investment. Any investment disapproved by the Commission on Investments shall be sold within

a reasonable time after the communication of such disapproval to the Pension Board."

This provision is being carefully followed in all particulars. Our officers and committee have also conferred occasionally with the finance committee of the Board of Pensions and Relief concerning investment policy.

### Text of Article IX

On page 184 of the 1948 Minutes of the Church appear various amended articles of the Rules and Regulations of the Investment Commission, including one paragraph of Article IX.

On a casual examination it might appear that the quoted paragraph of Article IX is the complete article as amended. This Article IX, however, consists of three paragraphs; namely, a second paragraph which is the one above referred to in the 1948 Minutes, and a first and third paragraph as printed in the 1940 Minutes where the Rules and Regulations were set out in full. The article, therefore, in its complete form is as follows:

> "ARTICLE IX. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE"
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> "The Executive committee shall act for the Commission in the interim between meetings. It shall meet at the call of its chairman or on the request of two of its members. It shall keep minutes of its proceedings, mailing copies to all members of the Commission, and shall report fully to each meeting of the Commission.
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> "Three members of the committee shall constitute a quorum but no action shall be binding without the affirmative vote of three of its members. It may transact business by mail on any matters presented by its chairman with the same force and effect as in a meeting but full minutes shall be kept and furnished the members of the Commission. The approval of three members of the Executive Committee shall constitute the necessary authority to make recommendations to boards and agencies with respect to any matter within the scope of its duties and powers. The certification of the chairman, vice-chairman or secretary of the committee shall be evidence of such approval.
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> "The chairman of the Commission shall have power to fill vacancies in the executive committee by appointment from the membership of the Commission and may appoint any member of the Commission to serve with the executive committee in its advisory relationship with any board or agency."

### Common Stocks

At the request of the officers of some of the boards the Investment Commission has formulated the following statement of policy concerning investments in common stocks:

"There has been a significant trend toward increasing the proportion of common stocks in the portfolios of trusts, pension funds, and endowments. Educational institutions with large endowments have in some instances increased common stocks to 50 per cent, while 35 per cent is generally regarded as a minimum by institutional investors. The low prevailing yields on bonds and the high prices of quality preferred stocks have sharply limited the supply of attractive fixed income securities.

"Furthermore, the investment stature of many common stocks has improved markedly in recent years through the accumulation by corporations of substantial reserves and by the general expansion of our economy.

"Our church boards have hesitated to follow this general trend and as a consequence some have had extremely low percentages in common stocks. Under advice of the Investment Commission some of our boards added to their common stock commitments during the summer and early fall of 1949 at advantageous prices and with considerable benefit to income. However, the risk of being obliged to report to the Church in a bear market has sometimes deterred finance committees from exercising their best judgment in the matter of stock purchases. This has led to the suggestion that a definite statement of policy be made to the Church by the Investment Commission as a guide to future operations.

"The Investment Commission therefore declares its conviction on the following points:

1. Common stocks of sound quality should properly be included in every endowment portfolio and deserve to be regarded as proper investment media for permanent funds.

2. No rigid proportion can be properly prescribed in advance since conditions and circumstances change from time to time. Determining the wisest proportion of stocks to be held at any time should be left to the best judgment of each board and its finance committee aided and advised by the Investment Commission. The hazard that, due to market fluctuations, lower markets may prevail at the time of a church convention ought not to be a primary deterring factor. Each portfolio must at all times be judged in the light of the general market level and the quality of the investment held.

3. It is suggested that if the Investment Commission is used as a clearing house by the finance committees of the several boards, greater uniformity of investment policy will result. Since the Church has created the Investment Commission as its agency, it is reasonable to expect that conventions will at all times rest upon the judgment of the Commission rather than undertaking to dispose of technical investment matters themselves. All of this suggests closer co-ordination of the various investment committees through the Investment Commission in order that sound policies which all have a part in formulating may be arrived at in the best interests of the whole Church." (*See Recommendation No. 3*)

### Colleges and Seminaries

Over the past several years occasional inquiries and requests for investment judgment have been received from various church-related colleges and seminaries. We have endeavored to answer these with what limited knowledge we had of the financial background and requirements of the inquiring institutions. This led to the idea of arranging a conference for representatives of such institutions.

The first of these conferences with members of the Investment Commission was held in Chicago with three midwestern educational institutions represented, when a full day was given to the discussion of many phases of institutional portfolios. It was the unanimous judgment of those who participated that similar conferences with more general representation of colleges and seminaries should be held from time to time, with the next such conference scheduled for Des Moines, Iowa, immediately preceding the Church convention.

The Rules and Regulations of the Commission have always permitted of receiving into membership endowed Lutheran institutions with the privilege of electing a representative on the Commission. Wittenberg College has been the first to affiliate in this manner and has elected Roland C. Matthies, J.D., as its representative. It appears that other colleges and seminaries may affiliate when a plan and program adapted to such institutions have been developed. It is obvious that each institution co-operating in such conferences will be in position to contribute valuable information and at the same time draw upon the experiences of others. (*See Recommendation No. 4*)

### Membership and Staff

Mrs. Margaret J. Miller, Treasurer of the Women's Missionary Society, has been elected as a member of the Commission in place of Miss A. Dorothy Drewes. The membership of the Commission now consists of the President and Treasurer of the Church, seven members elected by the Executive Board, eight members elected by church boards and agencies, and one college representative, a total of eighteen.

The annual meetings of the Commission have been well attended. A number of board representatives and church officers have been invited to the meetings.

It has been suggested that a special session be arranged for finance committeemen of boards. This idea is being explored. Certain it is that the mutual exchange of ideas among finance committeemen could benefit all.

Our executive committee is increasingly active in the performance of its duties. Our mortgage committee has also assumed additional responsibility in connection with mortgage investments for the Contributory Pension Fund. We recognize the able assistance of the Church comptroller and his staff. The sound counsel and progressive leadership of the officers of the Church have been of great value in furthering the work of the Commission.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

In order that the Commission may know whether it has rightly interpreted the will and the judgment of the Church in the matters here presented, we offer four recommendations for your consideration:

1. That the Church endorse the interpretation of Articles X and XI of the Rules and Regulations of the Investment Commission as outlined in this report. (Adopted, see below)
2. That the Church instruct the Investment Commission and the boards and agencies holding endowment and investible funds to co-operate in as full and complete observance of the above provisions as may be found feasible. (Adopted, see below)
3. That the Church endorse in principle the declaration of the Commission relative to common stock investments as set forth in this report. (Adopted, see below)
4. That the Church view with favor the extension of the Investment Commission's services to colleges and seminaries on such mutual conference or other basis as may be found feasible. (Adopted, see below)

Respectfully submitted,
Henry Beisler
Franklin Clark Fry
Paul I. Gulden
C. J. Hanzlik
T. P. Hickman
Fred H. Jorgensen
John C. Korn
Roland C. Matthies
Henry A. Melander
Margaret J. Miller
John H. Repass
Walter W. Ross
Ernest P. Scott
William G. Semisch
William H. Stackel
S. Frederick Telleen
Rees Edgar Tulloss
H. Torrey Walker

Recommendation 1 was adopted.

Recommendation 2 was adopted.

Recommendation 3 was adopted.

Recommendation 4—In connection with the discussion of this recommendation, Dr. Roland C. Matthies, treasurer of Wittenberg College, expressed the appreciation felt by the educational institutions which have already benefited from consultation with the Investment Commission.

The recommendation was adopted.

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Mr. Henry M. Waitz moved the adoption of the auditor's report on the regular account of the Board of Education, p. 806.

The motion was adopted.

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The Rev. Henry H. Bagger presented the following motion:

"Moved that the United Lutheran Church direct the Board of Education in its further conferences with the Joint Committee on an Inter-Lutheran Post-Graduate Theological Seminary to investigate the possibility of securing one of the established theological institutions of one of the conferring bodies for the purpose in view, with the understanding that the principles set forth in Item IV, J, (p. 785) of the report of the Joint Committee be sustained." (See p. 1047)

The motion was adopted.

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Central Regional Director Dr. W. Carl Satre announced to the convention that the Wartburg Synod had now reached 75 percent of its Christian Higher Education Year Appeal quota for a total of $62,731, and that there is now a good prospect that this synod will meet its assigned quota by the end of 1951.

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The Rev. John Hampson Fray, president of Marion College, drew the attention of the convention to the first three sentences of Item 3, "The Junior College Situation," paragraph 3, page 217, Bulletin, insisting that the time used to investigate the Junior College Situation was not sufficient to warrant the conclusions drawn there.

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Dr. John L. Deaton, president of the Board of Education, announced to the convention that he had received a telegram giving him the information that the American Lutheran Church, at its convention in Columbus, Ohio, being held these very days, had approved the plan for an Inter-Lutheran Post-Graduate Theological Seminary. (See pp. 812, 1047, 1054)

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The president announced that further consideration of report of the Board of Pensions and Relief was now in order, and announced that the motion before the house was that of Dr. Joseph M. Lotsch (p. 1020) proposing the substitution of his Group Insurance Plan for the Family Protection Plan. The president read Dr. Lotsch's plan which had been moved as a substitute.

The motion to substitute was lost.

Recommendation number 2, p. 985, was now declared the motion before the house.

The motion was adopted.

The Hon. James F. Henninger presented the following motion:

"Moved to make the present recommendation 2, 2 (a), and add as 2. (b), the following: That the Board of Pensions and Relief give a careful and exhaustive study to the feasibility;

(1.) of including all pastors and missionaries of The United Lutheran Church in America in the Family Protection Plan;

(2.) of providing insurance in a fixed sum for life;

(3.) of carrying the program through a commercial insurance company, and to report to the next convention on the same, with recommendations and with supporting facts, figures and reasons."

The motion was adopted.

Mr. Ernest P. Scott moved the following:

> "Moved that the Board of Pensions and Relief be instructed to consider the insertion in the Family Protection Plan of a 'Waiver of Premium Clause' to cover the situation of permanently disabled pastors."

The motion was adopted.

In response to a question concerning the plan of the Board of Pensions and Relief for publicizing and promoting the new Family Protection Plan, Executive Secretary Cline replied that it is the Board's plan to communicate at once with the presidents of synods, pastors and treasurers of church councils of congregations participating in the Contributory Pension Plan. Secretary Cline made prominent the fact that entrance into the plan without physical examination must be agreed to by January 1, 1951.

The next item of business was the consideration of the recommendation of the Executive Board regarding "Special Pensions" and "Annual Grants" (p. 172), which item had been postponed by action of the convention to this point in the program.

The president called up the motion of Mr. Carl Schulz which reads as follows:

> "Moved to amend A. 1 by striking the words 'who was on the pension roll prior to November 1, 1947,' and inserting in their place the words, 'now on the pension roll.' "

The motion was lost.

Recommendations A. 1, 2, 3 and B. (pp. 172, 173) were adopted.

The president called for the consideration of the two memorials from constituent synods dealing with the subject of pensions (pp. 976-978), which had also been postponed until this time.

The Rev. Paul C. White presented the following motion concerning the Memorial of The United Lutheran Synod of New York which proposed the guaranteeing of a minimum pension of $600.00 per annum. (See p. 977)

> "Moved to refer this memorial to the Board of Pensions and Relief for study and report to the next convention of the Church."

The motion was adopted.

The original recommendation of the Committee on Memorials referring to the memorial of the Synod of Central Pennsylvania concerning a minimum pension of $1,200.00 was declared to be before the convention. (See p. 977)

The motion was adopted.

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President Fry declared that the item of the plan setting up standards for commissioned full-time women workers was the business before the house.

Dr. H. Torrey Walker called up the motion to reconsider the following defeated motion which had previously been proposed by the Hon. James F. Henninger.

> "Moved that paragraphs III to VII inclusive of the recommendations of the Deaconess Board and the Board of Education for the qualifications of full-time women workers be referred to the Executive Board for clarification of terms and review of standards and qualifications after consultation with other boards and agencies concerned directly or indirectly with the employment of women workers, this study to be reported to the next convention of the Church."

The motion to reconsider was adopted.

By unanimous consent permission was granted to make the above motion apply to Items III and IV and not to Items V, VI and VII, page 700.

The motion of reference was adopted.

Recommendation V was adopted.

Recommendation VI was adopted.

Recommendation VII was adopted.

The president declared that Items I and II and VIII and IX, pages 699 and 700, were now offered to the convention merely as information.

The Rev. Harry F. Baughman presented the following motion:

> "Moved to refer the recommendations on pages 698 and 699 of the Minutes to the Executive Board for study of the constitutional and doctrinal soundness of the commissioning and consecration of women as recommended, for the restatement of recommendations if deemed necessary; this study to be reported to the next convention."

The Rev. Henry H. Bagger presented the following motion:

> "Moved to strike the words, 'and consecration' from the motion of reference immediately above."

The motion was adopted.

The motion to adopt the motion of reference as amended was adopted.

The Rev. Harry F. Baughman moved the adoption of the auditor's report (p. 721), on the accounts of the Board of Deaconess Work.

The motion was adopted.

The Rev. J. Ray Houser presented the following motion:

> "Moved that the Board of Deaconess Work be instructed to print and distribute to the pastors of the Church as it deems most feasible, the sermon preached in St. John's Lutheran Church, Des Moines, Iowa, on Sunday morning, October 8, by Dr. Harry F. Baughman, president of the Board of Deaconess Work, on the occasion of the celebration of the 100th Anniversary of the consecration of the first Lutheran Deaconess in America."

The motion was adopted.

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The Rev. Ernst Schmidt was called upon by the president to continue the report of the Committee on German Interests (p. 980). Pastor Schmidt's main appeal was for continued support of the Committee's *Kirchliches Monatsblatt.* Pastor Schmidt presented the following motion:

> "Moved that it is the sense of this convention that the subsidy granted the *Kirchliches Monatsblatt* is money well spent, and that the Executive Board and Allocation Commission be requested to consider continuing such subsidy."

The motion was adopted.

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The president declared the session adjourned. The chaplain led the convention in a closing prayer.

## EIGHTH MEETING

### First Session

KRNT Radio Theater, Des Moines, Iowa
Thursday, October 12, 1950, 8:45 A.M.

The chaplain conducted the devotions.

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The Reverend Earl S. Erb, chairman, presented the report of the Committee on Minutes approving the minutes of the Seventh Meeting, First, Second and Third Sessions.

The report was adopted.

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Dr. James C. Kinard, chairman, presented the report of the Committee of Reference and Counsel as follows:

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE AND COUNSEL

I. *Resolved,* that for his unfailing courtesy, his kindly patience, his infectious good humor, his unusual skill as parliamentarian, his quick and accurate analyasis of every item brought before the convention; for his spiritual and administrative leadership in the Christian churches in the United States of America, Canada and also in Christian churches in countries overseas; and for his courageous, constructive and far-seeing leadership in the church councils of the world;

This convention accord a rising vote of appreciation to President Franklin Clark Fry.

II. We recommend that the convention record its sincere appreciation of the efforts of the following individuals, committees and groups, whose thoughtful planning and organization have been responsible for the success of this convention, not only in the conduct of its official business, but also in the development of spiritual values in the work of the Church;

A. Secretary F. Eppling Reinartz and his able staff, headed by Mrs. Frank Wilwol, for their efficient registration of delegates, handling of routine matters, editing of the calendar of daily events, accurate recording of minutes, and friendly attention to numerous other items of detail;

B. Chaplain Paul Roth for his enriching ministry of the Word during the convention;

C. Chairman Alex M. Miller and the local committee, its subcommittees and assistants, for the registration of visitors and the gracious entertainment during the convention;

D. The Committee on Publicity, for securing exceptionally effective and widespread press and radio coverage of convention activities.

E. The editors of *The Lutheran,* other church papers, the representatives of the United States and Canadian press (see report of Committee on Publicity, p. 1061), the radio broadcasting companies and national networks, all for their generous assignment of time, talent and facilities to cover the story of the convention; (Amended, see below)

F. The committee which made the arrangements for the highly successful dinner of the Laymen's Movement for Stwardship;

G. The Iowa Synod, President Frederick D. Boldt and his associates, the pastors and the members of the local Lutheran churches, groups and individuals, and especially the women for their delightful entertainment of our guests;

H. Maestro Guiseppe Moschetti for giving of his time and talent as a musician to the devotional portions of the convention program;

I. The pastors, choir, organist and choir director of St. John's Lutheran Church in Des Moines for their services during the convention;

J. Those students of the Carthage College, Luther College, Midland College and Wartburg College musical organizations, young men and women who came some distance to participate so entertainingly in the program;

K. The principal speakers, who brought inspiration and spiritual uplift through their addresses at extra-business sessions of the convention; Mr. Frank Egner at the dinner of the Laymen's Movement for Stewardship; the Reverend Sylvester C. Michelfelder and the Reverend Fredrik A. Schiotz on the World Work of Lutherans; the Reverend Walter H. Traub at the mass meeting held under the auspices of the Board of Education; and the Reverend Paul Ehrman Scherer at the closing session of the convention.

Recommendation 1—adopted.

Recommendation 2—Following the presentation of this recommendation, the Rev. H. H. Bagger presented the following motion:

> "Moved to amend the recommendation by inserting the words, 'and personnel' between the word 'networks' and the words, 'all for their generous' in recommendation II, E of the report."

The motion was adopted.

Additional recognitions were informally suggested by delegates and have been incorporated in the revised statement of the recommendations as it now appears in the report. The privilege of making these revisions was granted the Committee by common consent. (Recommendation 2, A-K above includes the suggested revisions.)

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Mr. William H. Patrick, Jr., Eastern Representative, presented the report of the Committee on Transportation, and introduced the Rev. Harry R. Allen, Western Representative, who described the services rendered by the Committee in securing trip and annual passes for board and agency executives on the western railroads. Pastor Allen assured the convention of his willingness to assist the ULCA in making its west-of-Chicago travel plans for the Seattle convention in 1952.

Mr. Patrick described the hearty co-operation of the Pennsylvania Lines and the Milwaukee Road in making available the convenient ticket purchasing arrangements for persons traveling on the special convention train, and announced the schedule and other travel plans for the eastward journey of the "special."

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

### 1. Clergy Rates on Airlines

One of the main efforts of this committee during 1949 and 1950 has been to secure clergy rates for travel on airlines. Along with the other members of the Inter-Church Transportation Committee, an agency representing religious bodies in America with a total membership of 52,094,728, we have made overtures to the Air Traffic Conference of America through its Vice President, Mr. M. F. Redfern, asking that the airlines, like the major railroads, establish a clergy fare rate. The Air Traffic Conference gave the ITC proposals a careful hearing on April 27, 1950. Up to that time the Conference has not seen its way clear to grant the requested rates. Its reply urged the ITC to make direct approaches to individual airlines. This will be done in the fall of 1950. (For a more detailed statement on this item see item VI, C, xii, 3 of the Executive Board's report to this convention.)

### 2. Clergy Fare Certificates for 10 Lay Leaders

Through the courtesy of the several railroad clergy bureaus in the U.S.A. and Canada it has been possible again to secure clergy fare certificates for ten lay executives serving U.L.C.A. boards, auxiliaries and agencies. The Transportation Committee had reports from seven of the ten lay executives having the clergy fare privilege in 1949. The reports showed that these seven persons used 319 Eastern, 23 Southern, 33 Western and six Canadian certificates that year. (For the list of laymen authorized under special rules to use clergy certificates, see the Report of the Executive Board, VI, C, xii, 1.)

### 3. Revised Rules Governing Travel Cost Reimbursement

After review by the Committee on Transportation, the Executive Board at its October 1949 and January 1950 meetings adopted revised rules governing air, rail, bus and automobile travel by members of U.L.C.A. committees and commissions. These same regulations are in force for delegates attending the 1950 convention of the Church. (For the full statement of these rules see the Report of the Executive Board, Section VI, C, xii, 2.)

### 4. Rev. Harry R. Allen the Committee's New Western Representative

Following the resignation of Rev. John M. Bramkamp, D.D., as the Committee's highly effective Western Representative, his services, by appointment of President Franklin C. Fry, were undertaken by Rev. Harry R. Allen. Pastor Allen has established cordial and helpful relationships with the Chicago headquarters of the main railroads serving that great rail center, and has been able to secure many trip and annual passes for the Church's traveling personnel. The services of Pastor Allen were especially helpful to the rail riding representatives of our Christian Higher Education Year Appeal. Correspondence on passes on western lines should be directed to Pastor Allen at 1213 Harvey Avenue, Oak Park, Illinois.

### 5. Eastern Representative William H. Patrick

The good public relations enjoyed by the U.L.C.A. with eastern and southeastern railroads are largely due to the tireless and thoughtful cultivation of these relationships by the Committee's Eastern Representative, Mr. William H. Patrick. It is through his good offices that this convention is being served by a special train. There were 100 reservations needed to guarantee this facility to the convention. Six weeks before the train's departure from New York Mr. Patrick's energetic and informed efforts had secured 144. He will have general supervision of the special train both on the westward and eastward journey.

Respectfully submitted,

F. Eppling Reinartz, *Chairman*

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Secretary Reinartz presented the report of the Committee on Publicity and introduced the Rev. Carl E. Koppenhaver, director of the News Service of The United Lutheran Church in America. Director Koppenhaver stressed what he styled as the "local principle" in news gathering and distribution, and described several typical situations in which seemingly routine church activities become appealing news stories when effectively localized. He made appreciative reference to the many press representatives who helped to secure inclusive and broad coverage by press and radio for this convention.

Among the press representatives were:

Miss Lillian McLaughlin, *Des Moines Tribune*
Miss Laura Pilarski, *Milwaukee Journal*
Miss Florence Swihart, *Des Moines Tribune*
Miss Margaret Vance, *Newark News*
Mr. George Duggan, *New York Times*
Dr. John Evans, *Chicago Tribune*
Dr. Harold Fey, *Christian Century*
Mr. Harrison Fry, *Philadelphia Bulletin*
Mr. Caspar Nannes, *Washington Star*

Pastor Koppenhaver also expressed the appreciation of the News Service for the assistance given it by Mr. Erik Modean, Mr. Fred Rochell, Dr. G. Elson Ruff, the Rev. Albert P. Stauderman, Mr. Richard Sutcliffe, the Rev. L. Ralph Tabor, who compiled the convention "Summary," and the Rev. Paul E. Valentiner.

Special reference was made by Director Koppenhaver to the effectiveness of the radio and television coverage of the convention arranged by the Reverend Roscoe Brown Fisher. Forty-one broadcasts were scheduled. A prominent feature among the broadcasts was the nation-wide airing by the National Broadcasting Company's network of an interview of President Franklin Clark Fry by Dr. Paul E. Scherer.

## THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLICITY

This Committee's report concerns the activities of the News Service of The United Lutheran Church in America. The work lies in two major areas: (1) publicity at biennial conventions of the U.L.C.A., and, (2) year-round publicity on events and activities of news worth throughout the church.

Since the News Service is one of the newest projects of the Church, the following general information may be helpful to those receiving this report. Shortly after the Cleveland convention it seemed wise to preserve, as fully as possible, the publicity contacts, experience, and machinery which had functioned so efficiently during the convention. In addition it was felt that the Church could well make use of a year-round channel for giving information to the secular news dispensing organizations. As a result the News Service was begun on April 14, 1948, under supervision of the U.L.C.A. Committee on Publicity, and supported jointly by the Board of Publication and the Executive Board. Its office is in the Muhlenberg Building, Philadelphia.

By drawing a line between promotion and information the News Service has been able to cultivate an enviable reputation with the press. This distinction also allows the News Service to operate without fear of conflict with the promotional activities of the U.L.C.A. boards and agencies. A clearer understanding of its function can be gained by underscoring the word "service." The News Service *serves* or assists the press to obtain information which it ordinarily would pass by due to lack of news gathering facilities. Newspaper and wire service executives say that information from the News Service is not propaganda but carefully edited news about the Church. This news is obtained through the co-operation of the executives of boards, auxiliaries, and other individuals in the church.

### Convention Publicity

Since its organization, the News Service has had only one opportunity to serve a biennial convention of the U.L.C.A. This was in Philadelphia in 1948. Basing its figures on clippings from a tenth of the daily and weekly newspapers published in North America, the space given to news about the convention could be valued at more than $42,000. This is what the same amount of advertising space would have cost. Multiplying this figure by ten gives imposing value to the space which 1948 convention news commanded in the press.

In addition to numerous daily news items, seven radio broadcasts ranging from five to 35 minutes were devoted to the convention.

### Year-Round Publicity

The routine responsibilities of the News Service include news stories on all phases of the Church's ministry, providing news room facilities for conventions of the U.L.C.A.'s auxiliaries, and preparing weekly radio newscasts.

Not counting preconvention and convention stories for the U.L.C.A. and for its auxiliaries, the News Service, to the middle of August 1950, released 151 major news stories. This was in addition to uncounted articles telephoned directly to newspapers and wire services. In some instances a story consisted of releases to only three or four newspapers. In other cases a story consisted of releases rewritten to bring out the local interest in whatever area the story was sent.

For example, one story on a single stage of the Christian Higher Education Year appeal was treated in this fashion: A general release was sent to the wire services, the major newspapers and news magazines throughout the country. This release at the same time was rewritten to provide "tailor-made" articles for newspapers in each of the five CHEY regions, or, where a synod was outstanding in a region the release was prepared specially for newspapers on the territory of that synod. This procedure was followed in the various stages through which the CHEY appeal has passed.

The same treatment was given the 1950 Knubel-Miller lectureship story. First a general release to the major papers, then releases about Dr. Oscar W. Carlson to papers in the area of which he is a native, where he attended school, and where he held pastorates. Releases featuring the local lectureship committee went to newspapers in the areas where the lectures were being given. Thus, the 151 stories represent many hundreds of specially written releases.

The News Service set up and staffed the news room for the 1948 Brotherhood Convention in Allentown, Pa., the 1949 Luther League of America Convention in Roanoke, Va., and the 1949 Women's Missionary Society Convention in Grand Rapids, Mich. (As this report is submitted the News Service anticipates covering the 1950 Brotherhood Convention in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.) Because of the historic nature of the event the press and radio work for the organizing convention of the New Jersey Synod also was handled by the News Service. Although not committed to do so most agencies using special services of the news office have shared in paying expenses of convention publicity.

It is felt that the auxiliaries and the News Service are benefited mutually when publicity for conventions is handled by this agency. On one hand the News Service is enabled to broaden its contacts and experience. On the other hand, auxiliaries are relieved of setting up their own publicity departments and receive wider coverage by reason of the working relationship maintained by the News Service with the press.

Because of the small nature of the operation, the News Service's venture into radio newscasting may be termed "experimental." But it is not regarded in that light by the people around Reading in Berks County, Pa. Each Sunday at 12:45 P. M., a 15-minute broadcast of religious news is carried by station WRAW from a script prepared by the News Service. The program is sponsored by the Lutheran Laymen's Association of Berks County and the Reading Conference. Reports from pastors and laymen indicate the broadcast has much appeal. Excellent relations exist between the station and the News Service. Other denominations are slightly envious of the program but have no real basis for argument since, as they put it, "you carry news about the Reformeds and the Methodists as well as the Lutherans."

The script, with only slight changes, could be distributed for weekly broadcasts in any location where radio time can be procured. A sufficient number of new outlets for the newscasts may, in the next year, take this venture out of the "experimental" stage.

F. EPPLING REINARTZ, *Chairman*
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ALBERT P. STAUDERMAN
L. RALPH TABOR
PAUL E. VALENTINER
CARL E. KOPPENHAVER,
*Director and Secretary*

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President Fry called for the presentation of the proposed amendments to the By-laws which had been announced on a previous day by the Rev. Harold H. Lentz and the Rev. Ross F. Hidy.

Dr. Lentz moved the following amendment:

> "Moved to amend the By-Laws, Section V, paragraph (c), Rules Governing Nominations, Item 2, by the addition of the words 'and any other vacancies' after the words 'Elective Agency Vacancies' and before the words, 'to be filled.' "

The amendment was adopted by a two-thirds vote of the convention. This item of the By-laws as amended now reads:

> "Item 2—At least eighty days prior to each biennial convention, the Secretary of the Church shall publish in *The Lutheran* a list of Elective Agency vacancies and any other vacancies to be filled at the convention together with an announcement that any delegate, clerical or lay, may propose in writing to the secretary's office names of individuals eligible for election for the consideration of the Committee on Nominations provided, however, that the proposer shall clearly indicate along with each name submitted the vacancy for which he submits this name, and provided further that no suggestion shall be entertained if received later than noon of the sixtieth day preceding the opening day of the convention."

The Rev. Ross F. Hidy moved the following amendment:

> "Moved to amend Section V, paragraph (c), Rules Governing Nominations, Item 5, by adding the words 'and also to geographical location' between the words 'Secretary of the Church' and the words 'having concern for.' "

The Rev. A. B. J. Lentz presented the following amendment to the proposed By-law amendment:

> "Moved to amend the proposed amendment by striking the words 'geographical location' and adding the words, 'synodical representation.' "

The amendment to the amendment was adopted.

The amendment as amended was adopted.

The Reverend Abdel Ross Wentz presented the following amendment to the By-laws, Section V, (c), Item 5, Rules Governing Nominations:

> "Moved that the place of insertion of the words just adopted as an amendment to this By-law (namely, 'and also to synodical representation') be altered as follows:
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> > "Transfer this phrase from its present location to line 9 of this same item of the By-laws, inserting the newly adopted phrase between the words 'of each agency' and the words 'but nominating no.' "

The amendment to the By-law was adopted.

The By-law as amended was adopted and now reads:

> "Item 5—At least forty-five days prior to the convention, the Committee on Nominations shall meet at the call of the convener, and shall select two nominees for each elective agency, giving suitable consideration to the names suggested on the lists submitted through the Secretary of the Church; having concern for the particular needs of each agency, *and also for synodical representation*, but nominating no member of an elective agency whose term does not expire at the time of the convention, provided, however, that this limitation shall not be applicable to nominations for the Executive Board; and having care that no individual's name appears as a nominee for more than one vacancy."

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The Rev. Henry J. Pflum, chairman, presented the following report of the Committee on Report of the President:

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The Report of the president to this convention covers two items that are of tremendous importance to The United Lutheran Church in America today. He has deliberately confined himself to them, to the exclusion of a multitude of other items that have engaged his attention as the leader of our Church over the past biennium, because "a thorough discussion of interchurch relationships is plainly called for on many counts at this juncture in our history."

These are the two items:

1. We are made aware of the tremendous implications of the inter-Lutheran situation. With the strokes of a master, our president has painted an incisive picture of its present-day status. We are told firmly and directly the underlying difficulties that prevent a more positive and whole-souled approach to an all-embracing Lutheran Church. We are certain that this presentation is the result of a keen analysis of the many efforts made among Lutherans through the last decade or more to bring about a larger and more inclusive union.

We desire to commend our president for his forthrightness in presenting to the church a realistic view of the inter-Lutheran movement. We pledge him our support in his further efforts of leadership in the direction of a unified Lutheran Church in North America.

We dare to hope with him that under the blows of stout champions of Christian Lutheran union, the attitudes of complacency, overcautious prudence and small thinking will give way to a deep spirit of contrition and a strong desire for a Lutheran Zion that will make its voice heard, under Christ, throughout Protestantism and the world.

2. Trumpeting two definite Lutheran principles of certain sound, the evangelical and representative, our president, with the support of our officers and Executive Board, presents us clearly and unequivocally with a call for forward movement as our United Lutheran Church in America faces the great challenge offered by membership in the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A. We are conscious of the greater recognition on the part of other Protestants of the increasing significance of our official voice in meetings of an interchurch nature. Beyond the favorable action taken by this convention on the proposal to affiliate with the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A., we have reason to feel a warm glow of satisfaction over the achievements of the ecumenically Christian, as well as distinctively Lutheran, leadership of our esteemed president. May the Lord bless these efforts richly, since they are but to glorify the Name of our Blessed Saviour.

We rejoice exceedingly over the progress of our Church made in the past biennium under the faithful leadership of our president.

At the conclusion of Dr. Pflum's reading of the report the convention expressed its enthusiastic concurrence in the report's tribute to President Fry's "faithful leadership," by rising amidst spirited and prolonged applause.

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The Rev. David G. Jaxheimer, chairman, presented the report of the Committee on Leave of Absence.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Your Committee has received and studied reports on the attendance of delegates at this convention, submitted by the chairmen of the synodical delegations. The following is a summary:

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| Total number of delegates elected | 300 clerical |
| | 298 lay |
| Total number of delegates present | 300 clerical |
| | 292 lay |
| Total number of delegates absent from all sessions | no clerical |
| | 6 lay |

Percentage of attendance: 99 per cent

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| Number of excused absences from sessions of the convention | 237 |
| Number of unexcused absences from sessions | 86 |
| Number of synods having full attendance of delegations | 29 |
| Number of synods having perfect attendance at all sessions | 8 |

(Florida, Icelandic, Kentucky-Tennessee, Michigan, Nova Scotia, Pacific, Rocky Mountain, and Texas)

The 5 affiliated churches had 5 clerical and 4 lay delegates present at the convention. Two observers were present from the Nova Scotia Synod, 1 clerical and 1 lay. This makes a total delegation of 603.

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Secretary Reinartz presented the following motion, which was adopted:

> "Moved that the printing and distribution of the Minutes of the Seventeenth Biennial Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America be referred to the Executive Board with power."

The motion was adopted.

The Rev. Earl S. Erb, chairman of the Committee on Minutes, presented the following motion:

> "Moved that the Minutes of this meeting be reviewed by the Committee on Minutes and distributed by mail to the delegates by the secretary."

The motion was adopted.

The following program was presented under the auspices of the Board of Social Missions. In the course of the addresses of Mrs. Charles E. Deuben, the Rev. Walter E. Bock and Mr. Clarence B. Noelting three panels of great size depicted the challenge confronting The United Lutheran Church in America in its inactive membership and in the unchurched millions in the United States and Canada. The central panel symbolized the relationship of the Church's whole evangelism endeavor to the cross of Jesus Christ.

### OPPORTUNITY UNLIMITED

Thursday, October 12, 1950

*Program*

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| Introduction | The Rev. Harold S. Miller, D.D.<br>President, Board of Social Missions |
| Our Unconfirmed Children | Mrs. Charles E. Deuben,<br>St. John's Lutheran Church, Des Moines |
| Our Inactive Members | The Rev. Walter E. Bock,<br>Pastor, Grace and St. Paul's Lutheran Church, New York, New York |
| Our Unreached Masses | Mr. Clarence B. Noelting,<br>Evansville, Indiana; Member, Board of Social Missions |
| Hymn Solo | "From ocean unto ocean our land shall own Thee Lord"<br>Mr. Kenneth Gfeller |
| Address | "The Grace of God—in Vain?"<br>The Rev. Paul Ehrman Scherer, D.D., LL.D., Litt.D., New York, N. Y. |

The address of Dr. Scherer was a *sursum corda* to the convention. As did the sermon of the president, and the meditations of the chaplain, Dr. Scherer's words established on uplifted hearts the obligation to fulfill their missions as "stewards of the mysteries of God."

Following are excerpts from Dr. Scherer's memorable address:

> The Gospel has nothing to do with plans and principles. The Gospel has to do with a Person and a Will and a Deed not only done but being done. We do not own that, retailing little bits of it every Sunday morning out of some Book. It comes through, not out of! We proclaim it. And we proclaim it to a world which believed it once, but not now. We do not have to find another vocabulary for it; we do have to realize the extent to which the traditional religious vocabulary has been emptied or distorted into meaninglessness by a culture that has secularized for its own purposes every fundamental doctrine of the Christian faith. Resentful of Theology, it has its own theology, out of which it attempts to develop its own ethic. Contemptuousness of messiahships, it has its own messiahs, fashioning around them its own cultus and its own spirituous communities. It abandons itself on Monday to its illusions of grandeur and on Wednesday to ultimate despair. In order to address a generation like that we stand under the necessity of interpret-

ing and reinterpreting the very language we use. What we confront is a deep and unconscious conditioning against the Christian Gospel. The pulpit is itself in large measure responsible: the so-called modernists are responsible because they assume that their view of reality is adequate and go about adjusting the New Testament to it; the so-called fundamentalists are responsible because they assume that what the fathers have shaped into a system of revealed truths could be imposed, by the bare, reiterative methods of propaganda on the uneasy mind of the twentieth century and still serve as the living Word of a living God. There can be no preaching until we understand that it cannot: only monologue, little more than unintelligible speech. We are committed to something more than sweet reasonableness on the one hand or an easy, because-accustomed, religious phraseology on the other. We are committed to the prophet's desperate straining with his timeless Word until his words become its agents, and men hear what was before a sound but is now a Voice.

The Gospel means something too about establishing the fellowship which you have done so much in this convention to acknowledge. It is not always, as the hymn has it, a "fellowship of kindred minds." Often enough—and this was noticebly true in the early years of the Christian church—it is the fellowship of hostile minds, transcending and so overcoming the hostility. The fellowship is God's act. The realization of that fellowship is our act. We cannot deny what already exists; we can betray it. And we do when we stress the inner at the expense of the outer. We do whenever and wherever our particularities degenerate into denominationalism. We do when we are more concerned about our differences inside and out than we are about what it is that makes us one. To be kind and considerate is not enough. It is the holy love of God which tries to find its way out through us. A street full of good neighbors is not a church. There is something deeper than that and infinitely more real, or else Christianity is just another enterprise stumbling around in the direction of good will.

Even more than that. We are to realize at last that the Church does not exist as a shadowy ideal in a vacuum. The Church is a human fact and a divine fact. It is in the world and cannot very well get out. So that all the world's business is its business. It does not have to enter the arena. It is already in the arena. God pity it as it tries to betake itself elsewhere. His judgment will mediate His pity! We are under obligation to seize the world's conscience by the voice of our own conscience as it makes its war on the anarchical, because irresponsible, use of force; on the suppression of freedom by hysterical witch hunts; on race prejudices and segregation; on the economic injustices that are sufficiently rife in our own capitalistic system, as well as on the perils of socialism, and the inherent threat of a communism that always emerges from despair.

The convention adjourned at 12:05 P.M., the President of the Church leading the convention in the Order for the Closing of Synods.

F. Eppling Reinartz

F. Eppling Reinartz, *Secretary*
The United Lutheran Church
in America

# APPENDIX A.

## ELECTIVE AGENCIES

### EXECUTIVE BOARD

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# APPENDIX B.

## THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

### PREAMBLE

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Having been called by the Gospel and made partakers of the grace of God, and, by faith, members of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, and, through Him, of one another.

We, members of Evangelical Lutheran congregations in America, associated in Evangelical Lutheran Synods, recognizing our duty as people of God to make the inner unity which we have with one another manifest in the common confession, defense and maintenance of our faith, and in united efforts for the extension of the Kingdom of God at home and abroad; realizing the vastness of the field that God has assigned us for our labors in this Western world, and the greatness of the resources within our beloved Church which are only feebly employed for this purpose; conscious of our need of mutual assistance and encouragement; and relying upon the promise of the divine Word that He who hath begun this work will perfect it until the day of Christ Jesus.

Hereby unite, and now invite and until such end be attained continue to invite all Evangelical Lutheran congregations and synods in America, one with us in the faith, to unite with us, upon the terms of this Constitution, in one general organization, to be known as THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA.

### CONSTITUTION

### ARTICLE I

#### NAME

The name and title of the body organized under this Constitution shall be THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA.

### ARTICLE II

#### DOCTRINAL BASIS

Section 1. The United Lutheran Church in America receives and holds the canonical Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as the inspired Word of God, and as the only infallible rule and standard of faith and practice, according to which all doctrines and teachers are to be judged.

Section 2. The United Lutheran Church in America accepts the three ecumenical creeds: namely, the Apostles', the Nicene, and the Athanasian, as important testimonies drawn from the Holy Scriptures, and rejects all errors which they condemn.

Section 3. The United Lutheran Church in America receives and holds the Unaltered Augsburg Confession as a correct exhibition of the faith and doctrine of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, founded upon the Word of God; and acknowledges all churches that sincerely hold and faithfully confess the doctrines of the Unaltered Augsburg Confession to be entitled to the name of Evangelical Lutheran.

Section 4. The United Lutheran Church in America recognizes the Apology of the Augsburg Confession, the Smalkald Articles, the Large and Small Catechisms of Luther, and the Formula of Concord, as in the harmony of one and the same pure Scriptural faith.

### ARTICLE III

#### PRINCIPLES OF ORGANIZATION

In accordance with the foregoing Doctrinal Basis, The United Lutheran Church in America sets forth and declares the following principles as fundamental to its organization:

Section 1. All power in the Church belongs primarily and exclusively to our

Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, the Head of the Church. The power is not delegated to any man or body of men.

Section 2. All just power exercised by the Church has been committed to her for the furtherance of the Gospel through the Word and sacraments, and is conditioned by this end and pertains to her as the servant of Jesus Christ. The Church, therefore, has no power to bind the conscience except as she teaches what her Lord teaches and faithfully commands what He has charged her to command.

Section 3. Congregations are the primary bodies through which power committed by Christ to the Church is normally exercised.

Section 4. In addition to the pastors of churches, who are *ex officio* representatives of their congregations, the people have the right to choose representatives from their own number to act for them under such constitutional limitations as the congregations may approve.

Section 5. The representatives of congregations convened in Synod and acting in accordance with their Constitution are, for the ends defined in it representatively the congregations themselves, and have the right to call and set apart ministers for the common work of all the congregations; whose representatives they thereby become, and as such also members of the Synod.

Section 6. Congregations representatively constituting the various Synods may elect delegates through those Synods to represent them in a general body, all decisions of which, when made in accordance with the Constitution, bind so far as the terms of mutual agreement make them binding, those congregations and Synods which consent to be represented in the general body.

Section 7. In the formation and administration of a general body, the Synods may know and deal with each other only as Synods. In all such cases, the official record is to be accepted as evidence of the doctrinal position of each Synod and of the principles for which alone the other Synods are responsible by connection with it.

## ARTICLE IV

### MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. The United Lutheran Church in America at its organization shall consist of the congregations that compose the Evangelical Lutheran Synods which have been in connection with the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States of America, the General Council of the Lutheran Church in North America, or the United Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the South, and which accept this Constitution with its Doctrinal Basis as set forth in Article II.

Section 2. Any Evangelical Lutheran Synod applying for admission which has accepted this Constitution with its Doctrinal Basis as set forth in Article II, and whose Constitution has been approved by the Executive Board, may be received into membership by a majority vote at any regular Convention.

## ARTICLE V

### DELEGATES

Section 1. Each Synod connected with The United Lutheran Church in America shall be entitled to representation at its Conventions by one ordained minister and one layman for every ten pastoral charges or major fraction thereof, on its roll; provided, however, that each Synod shall be entitled to at least one ministerial and one lay delegate; and provided further that the delegates elected by the Synods to the last conventions of the general bodies to which they respectively belong held prior to the first convention hereunder, shall be and they are in the adoption hereof chosen by their respective Synods as their duly elected delegates to said first convention hereunder, irrespective of the basis of representation upon which they were chosen. The ratio of representation may be changed at any regular Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America by a two-thirds vote, provided that notice of the proposed change has been given at the preceding regular Convention.

Section 2. Each Synod shall choose its delegates in such manner as it may deem proper. The delegates from each Synod shall elect one of their own number as chairman unless the Synod itself has designated the chairman.

## ARTICLE VI

### OBJECTS

The objects of The United Lutheran Church in America are:

Section 1. To preserve and extend the pure teaching of the Gospel and the right administration of the sacraments. (Eph. 4: 5-6; The Augsburg Confession, Article VII.)

Section 2. To conserve the unity of the true faith (Eph. 4:3-16; I Cor. 1:10), to guard against any departure therefrom (Rom. 16:17), and to strengthen the Church in faith and confession.

Section 3. To express outwardly the spiritual unity of Lutheran congregations and synods, to cultivate co-operation among all Lutherans in the promotion of the general interests of the Church, to seek the unification of all Lutherans in one orthodox faith; and in order to further such spiritual unity and co-operation, to establish, maintain and operate, in conjunction with other Lutheran general bodies, a post-graduate theological seminary, and thus to develop and unfold the specific Lutheran principle and practice and make their strength effective.

Section 4. To awaken, co-ordinate and effectively direct the energies of the Church in such operations as the following:

(a) The training of ministers and teachers to be witnesses of the Word.

(b) The extension of the kingdom of God by Home, Foreign and Inner Missions.

(c) The proper regulations of the human externals of worship, that the same, in character and administration, may be in keeping with the New Testament and the liberty of the Church, and may edify the Body of Christ.

(d) The appointment of editorial committees or editors of Church papers and Sunday school literature.

(e) The preparation and publication of such literature as shall promote the dissemination of knowledge as to the doctrines, practice, progress and needs of the Lutheran Church.

(f) The creation, organization and development, through Boards and Committees, of agencies to carry on all departments of work.

Section 5. To lay apportionments, and to solicit and disburse the funds necessary for these and other purposes defined in this Constitution.

Section 6. To foster and develop the work of Synods, to exercise a general supervision of the Church, and on appeal of Synods to give counsel and to adjudicate questions of doctrine, worship and discipline.

Section 7. To enter into relations with other bodies in the unity of the faith and to exchange official delegates with them.

## ARTICLE VII

### CONVENTIONS

Section 1. A convention of the duly elected delegates of The United Lutheran Church in America shall be held at least once in every two years at such time and place as may be determined by the preceding Convention of the body, or by the Executive Board.

Section 2. Special Conventions shall be called by the officers at the request of two-thirds of the members of the Executive Board, or at the request of the presidents of a majority of the Synods. The delegates shall be those who represented the Synods at the previous regular Convention, provided they have not been disqualified by removal or by the election of new delegates. Vacancies in delegations shall be filled according to the rules of the respective Synods.

Section 3. A majority of the delegates, representing a majority of the Synods, shall constitute a quorum.

## ARTICLE VIII

### POWERS

Section 1. *As to External Relations*. The United Lutheran Church in America shall have power to form and dissolve relations with other general bodies, organizations and movements. To secure uniform and consistent practice, no Synod, Conference or Board, or any official representative thereof, shall have power of independent affiliation with general organizations and movements.

Section 2. *As to Internal Relations.* The United Lutheran Church in America shall have power to deal with internal matters that affect all its constituent Synods or the activities of the United Lutheran Church as a whole, except that when the operation of such power takes place within the domain of any of the Synods their consent and co-operation must first be secured.

Section 3. *As to Intersynodical Dealings.* The United Lutheran Church in America shall have power to address and counsel its constituent Synods for the promotion of intersynodical harmony. Any question of interpretation of law, rights, or principle, that comes within its jurisdiction, or any proper cases referred to it on appeal of a Synod, shall be determined by a Commission of Adjudication hereinafter provided for.

Section 4. *As to Individual Synods and Specific Cases.* If Synods have had due and legal opportunity to be represented in the Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America, they are bound by all resolutions that have been passed in accordance with this Constitution. But each Synod retains every power, right and jurisdiction in its own internal affairs not expressly delegated to The United Lutheran Church in America.

Section 5. *As to Doctrine and Conscience.* All matters of doctrine and conscience shall be decided according to the Word of God alone. If, on grounds of doctrine or conscience, the question be raised as to the binding character of any action, the said question shall be referred to the Commission of Adjudication. Under no circumstances shall the right of a minority be disregarded or the right to record an individual protest on the ground of conscience be refused.

Section 6. *As to the Maintenance of Principle and Practice.* The United Lutheran Church in America shall protect and enforce its Doctrinal Basis, secure pure preaching of the Word of God and the right administration of the sacraments in all its Synods and congregations. It shall also have the right, where it deems that loyalty to the Word of God requires it, to advise and admonish concerning association and affiliation with non-ecclesiastical and other organizations whose principles or practices appear to be inconsistent with full loyalty to the Christian Church, but the Synods alone shall have the power of discipline.

Section 7. *As to Books of Devotion and Instruction, etc.* The United Lutheran Church in America shall provide books of devotion and instruction, such as Liturgies, Hymn Books and Catechisms, and no Synod without its sanction shall publish or recommend books of this kind other than those provided by the general body.

Section 8. *As to Work and Administration.* The United Lutheran Church in America shall have the power to engage in the work described under "Objects" (see Article VI), to create and regulate Boards and Committees, to determine budgets, and to lay apportionments.

Section 9. The executive power of The United Lutheran Church in America shall be vested in the officers of the general body, in an Executive Board, and in various other Boards for special purposes, subject to this Constitution and the Conventions of the general body.

## ARTICLE IX

### OFFICERS

Section 1. The Officers of The United Lutheran Church in America shall be a President, a Secretary, a Treasurer. The President shall be an ordained minister of the Church. No one shall be eligible for election or re-election to these offices after he shall have reached the age of 68 years. The officers shall be elected by ballot at each regular Convention, but shall not take office until the first day of the third month after their election.

Section 2. The President shall preside at all sessions of the Convention, shall have the appointment of committees, unless the United Lutheran Church otherwise directs; shall see that the Constitution be observed and resolutions carried out;

shall sign all official papers, and shall discharge such other duties as are delegated to him by the Convention.

Section 3. The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings, attest all documents of the body, and publish the time and place of the next meeting at least two months in advance. In case of a special meeting he shall give a written notice thereof to the President of each of the Synods immediately upon the issue of the call, and shall publish the same at least thirty days in advance of the meeting.

Section 4. The Treasurer shall receive and disburse all moneys, and keep an account of all his transactions and submit a report of the same at each regular Convention. He shall make disbursements only upon the order of the President, attested by the Secretary. He shall be required to give corporate surety in such amount as shall be determined by the Executive Board.

Section 5. In the event of the death, resignation or incapacity of any officer in the interim between Conventions, the Executive Board shall fill the vacancy.

## ARTICLE X

### INCORPORATION

The United Lutheran Church in America shall be incorporated.

## ARTICLE XI

### THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section 1. The Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America, which shall also be its Board of Trustees, shall consist of the President, the Secretary, and the Treasurer of the general body who shall also be the officers of the Executive Board, together with six ministerial and six lay members who shall be elected by the general body for a term of four years.

Section 2. At the first election three ministerial and three lay members shall be elected to serve four years, and three ministerial and three lay members to serve two years. Thereafter three ministerial and three lay members shall be elected at each regular Convention to serve four years.

Section 3. The Executive Board shall meet at stated times. It shall be the duty of the Executive Board to represent The United Lutheran Church in America and to carry out its resolutions and attend to its business during the interim; it shall co-ordinate the work of the executive departments, receive reports as to the work and needs of the several Boards, present a budget to the Conventions with apportionments, fill vacancies not otherwise provided for, and perform such other work as may be delegated to it by the general body, to which it shall make full report of its acts.

## ARTICLE XII

### COMMISSION OF ADJUDICATION

Section 1. A Commission of Adjudication shall be established to which shall be referred, for interpretation and decision, all disputed questions of doctrine and practice. The Commission shall constitute a court for the decision of those questions of principle or action which arise within The United Lutheran Church in America and which are properly referred to it by resolution of The United Lutheran Church in America or by resolution of any of the synods. Any convention of The United Lutheran Church in America or of any Synod, which has properly referred any question to the Commission, may commit to its own Ad Interim Executive Body the precise and formal statement of such question. Such Executive Body may also, for and on behalf of The United Lutheran Church in America, or for or on behalf of its synod, make direct and appropriate reference to the Commission of Adjudication of any judicable question which has arisen after the adjournment of the latest convention of The United Lutheran Church in America or of its Synod and which demands prompt adjudication.

Section 2. This Commission of Adjudication shall consist of nine members, six ministers and three laymen, learned in the doctrine, the law and the practice of the Church. All of the members of this Commission shall be elected at the first Convention of The United Lutheran

Church in America, two ministers and one layman for a period of six years, two ministers and one layman for a period of four years, and two ministers and one layman for a period of two years. As their terms expire their successors shall be elected at each Convention for a term of six years.

Section 3. The Commission shall elect its own officers, and shall meet at least ANNUALLY for the transaction of business. When it holds meetings, or renders decision, due notice of the time and place of meeting shall be given by its secretary to all persons interested, and notice of the time and place of SUCH meetings shall be published in the OFFICIAL Church papers.

Section 4. The consent of at least six members shall always be necessary for a decision.

Section 5. The Commission shall render a written report of all its actions and decisions to the next regular Convention, but the right of appeal from its decisions shall always be recognized.

## ARTICLE XIII

### BOARDS

Section 1. The United Lutheran Church in America shall determine the number of members in the several Boards which it shall create, and these Boards shall always be amenable to it.

Section 2. All members of boards shall be elected by The United Lutheran Church in America except that, of the number to be elected to the Board of Pensions and Relief each biennium, two of the lay members thereof shall be nominated and elected by the Executive Board of the Church. Vacancies occurring in any board ad interim shall be filled by the Executive Board of the Church on nomination of the board in which the vacancy exists. No person shall be a member of more than one board at one and the same time. No member of any board, including the Executive Board, shall be a member of the Commission of Adjudication; but the President of the United Lutheran Church shall at all times have a seat and a voice in all the boards and in the Commission of Adjudication.

Section 3. These Boards, upon the determination of the general body, shall secure articles of incorporation which must be in harmony with the purposes of The United Lutheran Church in America; but no Board shall apply for incorporation until its proposed charter shall have received the approval of the general body in Convention, or, in the interim, of the Executive Board.

Section 4. The Boards, unless otherwise provided, shall have power to elect their own officers and employees, and to carry on their work in accordance with the design of their appointment. No member of a Board shall be a salaried employee thereof. No salaried member of the executive staff of a board or agency may be continued in employment after December 31 of the year in which the age of 68 shall have been attained.

Section 5. The Boards shall require corporate surety from their respective treasurers. At each regular Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America, they shall render full and accurate reports of their work during the preceding biennium.

Section 6. The Women's Missionary Society, as auxiliary to Boards of The United Lutheran Church in America, shall have the right to appoint two women as advisory members of each of the missionary and benevolent Boards to the support of whose work they regularly or officially contribute.

## ARTICLE XIV

### SYNODS

Section 1. No Synod in connection with The United Lutheran Church in America shall alter its geographical boundaries without the permission of the general body.

Section 2. Synods shall give advice to their ministers and congregations concerning doctrine, life and administration, and shall exercise such disciplinary measures as may be necessary.

Section 3. The Presidents of Synods shall exercise an oversight of the pastors and congregations composing their respective Synods, and shall be charged with the duty of carrying out the rules and regulations adopted by the Synods. When requested by the Executive Board they shall appear before it to represent their Synods. They may also make suggestions to the Executive Board or seek its advice, with respect to the conditions and work in their Synods.

Section 4. Should any Synod in connection with The United Lutheran Church in America desire to continue its established lines of work for reasons satisfactory to the general body, such privilege may be granted.

## ARTICLE XV

### Affiliated Churches

Section 1. Any Evangelical Lutheran Church which has been fostered by the Board of Foreign Missions of The United Lutheran Church in America, and which has accepted this Constitution with its Doctrinal Basis as set forth in Article II, and whose constitution has been approved by the Executive Board, may be received into relationship with The United Lutheran Church in America as an Affiliated Church by a majority vote at any regular convention.*

Section 2. Each Affiliated Church shall be entitled to representation at the conventions of The United Lutheran Church in America by two representatives chosen in such manner as the constitution of the Affiliated Church may specify. These representatives shall be entitled to seat and voice but shall have no vote in the conventions of The United Lutheran Church in America.

Section 3. (a) Affiliated churches shall welcome and receive the counsel of The United Lutheran Church in America as such counsel is offered to them through the United Lutheran Church in convention assembled, the Executive Board, or the Board of Foreign Missions.

(b) The United Lutheran Church in America shall manifest interest and solicitude in the life and development of the Affiliated churches with concern for their special problems, aspirations and needs.

## ARTICLE XVI

### Committees, By-Laws and Amendments

Section 1. The United Lutheran Church in America may appoint special and standing committees. It may adopt By-Laws for the transaction of its business, provided that they do not conflict with this Constitution. These By-Laws may be suspended or amended at any Convention by a two-thirds vote.

Section 2. Amendments to this Constitution must be presented in writing at a regular Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America, which shall decide by a two-thirds vote whether and in what form they shall be submitted to the Synods. An exact copy of proposed amendments shall be transmitted by the Secretary to the Presidents of the Synods for submission to their respective bodies. If at a subsequent Convention two-thirds of the Synods shall report their approval of the amendments proposed they shall be declared adopted.

## BY-LAWS

## SECTION I

### Conventions

*Item 1.* Arrangements for the Conventions of The United Lutheran Church in America shall be made by the officers, acting in conjunction with a local committee appointed for the purpose.

*Item 2.* Every Convention shall begin with The Service. The sermon shall be preached by the President or someone appointed by him. The first business session shall be opened by the use of the prescribed order.

*Item 3.* A tentative order of business shall be prepared by the Executive Board. All appointments for general religious service and public meetings shall be subject to the approval of the President.

*Item 4.* The President shall prepare and present a biennial report, which shall summarize the general conditions in the Church, and his own work during the biennium.

*Item 5.* The Secretary shall send out a Bulletin of Reports to all delegates-elect at least fifteen days before each Convention.

## SECTION II

### Delegates

*Item 1.* A roll of the delegates of The

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* Amendment pending.

United Lutheran Church in America shall be prepared by the Secretary in advance of each meeting. The Secretary of each Constituent Synod shall forward a list of the regular and alternate delegates elected by his Synod to the Secretary of The United Lutheran Church in America at least forty days in advance of the Convention. The said list shall be signed by the President and Secretary of the Synod.

*Item 2.* No change shall be made in the roll of delegates unless such change is duly authorized by the Synod concerned before 12:15 P. M. on the third day of the Convention.

*Item 3.* Delegates, commissions or representatives from other Lutheran Bodies, not in union with The United Lutheran Church in America, may be given voice and seat, but no vote, in the Convention by a majority vote of the delegates at any meeting.

*Item 4.* The mileage of all delegates shall be paid by The United Lutheran Church in America; other necessary expenses of delegates shall be provided for as determined by the Constituent Synods.

*Item 5.* Delegates shall not absent themselves from any of the sessions of the Convention without valid excuse under penalty of forfeiture of mileage.

*Item 6.* Chairman of Synodical Delegations shall be responsible for the keeping of the attendance records of their members for each session of the Convention, receive excuses for absence, and make final report with recommendations to the Committee on Leave of Absence at the close of the afternoon session of the day preceding the scheduled day of adjournment of the Convention.

*Item 7.* The Committee on Leave of Absence, after receiving the final reports of the chairmen of Synodical Delegations, shall submit its report with recommendations to the Convention during the closing session.

## SECTION III

### Reception of Synods

A Synod desiring to be received into The United Lutheran Church in America, shall present its application to the Executive Board together with a copy of its charter and constitution. Upon the recommendation of the Executive Board, the Synod may be received in harmony with the provisions of the Constitution. (See Constitution of The United Lutheran Church in America, Article IV, Section 2.) The delegates of such Synod, upon the approval of their credentials, shall be seated in the Convention at once and their names entered upon the roll.

## SECTION IV

### Elections

*Item 1.* All elections shall be by ballot. The Secretary shall provide printed ballots.

*Item 2.* In the election of a President, the following rules shall obtain: On the first ballot, all of the votes cast shall be necessary to elect; on the second ballot, three-fourths of the votes cast shall be necessary to elect; on the third ballot, two-thirds of the votes cast shall be necessary to elect; on the fourth ballot, the nominees shall be limited to the two receiving the highest number of votes on the third ballot, and no vote cast for any other shall be counted; on the fourth ballot a majority vote shall elect. No other elections shall be in order while the election of a President is pending.

*Item 3.* In all other elections except that of the President, a majority of the votes cast on any ballot shall elect.

*Item 4.* The results of each ballot shall be announced in detail to the Convention by the Committee on Conduct of Elections.

## SECTION V

### Officers and Elective Agencies

#### *(a) Officers*

Except such as belong to another board or agency of the Church, which has its own treasurer, all instruments of conveyance belonging to the Church, that is, deeds, mortgages, leases, etc., all wills, trust agreements, trust declarations, and other documents, under which the Church has a beneficial interest in an estate, and copies thereof, all bonds, stock certificates, and all other evidences of ownership of property or of rights in or to property, and all intangible property, shall be turned over to the treasurer of the Church, and he shall be the custodian thereof and shall have charge thereof to do with the same as may be from time to time required by the Executive Board.

### *(b) List of Elective Agencies*

The Elective Agencies of The United Lutheran Church in America shall be:

1. The Executive Board
2. The Commission of Adjudication
3. The Board of Foreign Missions of The United Lutheran Church in America
4. The Board of American Missions of The United Lutheran Church in America
5. The West Indies Mission Board
6. The Board of Social Missions of The United Lutheran Church in America
7. The Board of Deaconess Work of The United Lutheran Church in America
8. Board of Pensions and Relief of The United Lutheran Church in America
9. The Board of Education of The United Lutheran Church in America
10. The Parish and Church School Board of The United Lutheran Church in America.
11. The Board of Publication of The United Lutheran Church in America
12. The Committee on Church Papers
13. The Executive Committee of the Laymen's Movement

### *(c) Rules Governing Nominations*

*Item 1.* At least ninety days prior to each regular convention of The United Lutheran Church in America, the President shall appoint a Committee on Nominations, consisting of a convener and eighteen other delegates, clerical and lay, including one member of each of the following elective boards of the Church; Executive Board; Board of Foreign Missions; Board of American Missions; Board of Social Missions; Board of Deaconess Work; Board of Pensions and Relief; Board of Education; Parish and Church School Board; and the Board of Publication.

*Item 2.* At least eighty days prior to each biennial convention, the Secretary of the Church shall publish in THE LUTHERAN a list of Elective Agency vacancies and any other vacancies to be filled at the convention, together with an announcement that any delegate, clerical or lay, may propose in writing to the Secretary's office names of individuals eligible for election for the consideration of the Committee on Nominations provided, however, that the proposer shall clearly indicate along with each name submitted the vacancy for which he submits this name, and provided further that no suggestion shall be entertained if received later than noon of the sixtieth day preceding the opening day of the convention.

*Item 3.* Any Board or other Elective Agency may also submit to the Secretary of the Church as many names for its vacancies as it cares to suggest for the consideration of the Committee on Nominations, within the time limitations outlined in Item 2 above.

*Item 4.* Immediately following the designated time limit, the Secretary of the Church shall make a list of all names properly proposed and shall mail a copy to each member of the Committee on Nominations, for study prior to the Committee's meeting.

*Item 5.* At least forty-five days prior to the convention, the Committee on Nominations shall meet at the call of the convener, and shall select two nominees for each elective vacancy, giving suitable consideration to the names suggested on the lists submitted through the Secretary of the Church; having concern for the particular needs of each agency, and also for synodical representation, but nominating no member of an Elective Agency whose term does not expire at the time of the convention, provided, however, that this limitation shall not be applicable to nominations for the Executive Board; and having care that no individual's name appears as a nominee for more than one vacancy.

*Item 6.* When the Committee on Nominations has completed its list of nominees, it shall at once submit a properly certified list to the Secretary of the Church, who shall without delay, cause the list to be printed in THE LUTHERAN for the information of the Church.

*Item 7.* Should any of the nominees indicate inability or unwillingness to serve, the Committee on Nominations shall meet again to make whatever final correction or amendment of the list of nominees may be necessary, and shall immediately certify the correct list to the Secretary of the Church.

*Item 8.* Immediately following the submission to the convention, of the official report of the Committee on Nominations, opportunity shall be given for additional nominations from the floor. Upon completion of all nominations, the Secretary of the Church shall immediately have the official convention ballots prepared. The ballot shall contain the address, occupation and synod of each nominee, together with an indication whether the name has been presented to the Nominating Committee by the Elective Agency.

### *(d) Rules Governing Elections*

*Item 1.* In all elections of members of Elective Agencies, the first ballot shall be considered a nominating ballot in all cases wherein an election does not result; and the nominees receiving the highest numbers of votes cast on the first ballot shall be the nominees on the second ballot to the number of two for each vacancy unfilled. In the case of tie votes among those receiving the highest number of votes, but not elected, on the first ballot, all persons receiving such votes shall be listed among the nominees of the second ballot. The same rule shall apply to all subsequent ballots until election results.

*Item 2.* The membership of Boards of The United Lutheran Church in America shall consist of not fewer than nine nor more than twenty-one persons.

*Item 3.* No member of any Elective Agency, except the Executive Committee of the Laymen's Movement shall be eligible for election for more than two successive terms.

*Item 4.* No staff employee of any Elective Agency shall be eligible to serve as a member of another Elective Agency.

*Item 5.* Members of the Executive Board shall be elected for a term of four years; members of the Executive Committee of the Laymen's Movement shall be elected for a term of two years; members of all other Elective Agencies shall be elected for a term of six years.

*Item 6.* The Committee on Church Papers, consisting of nine members, shall nominate editors of official church papers, who shall be elected by the Convention for a term of two years. The said editors shall be responsible as to editorial policy only to the Committee on Church Papers, but their salaries shall be fixed by the said Committee and the Board of Publication jointly. The Committee shall see that all official church papers are conducted in harmony with the policies of the Church.

*Item 7.* The Executive Committee of the Laymen's Movement consisting of ten members shall have power to double its membership during the biennium upon nomination to and election by the Executive Board.

## SECTION VI

### Appointive Committees

### *(a) Special Committees*

*Item 1.* During the first session of each regular Convention, the President shall announce the following special committees:

a. Committee on Devotional Services
b. Committee on Report of the President
c. Committee on Leave of Absence
d. Committee on Memorials from Constituent Synods
e. Committee of Reference and Counsel
f. Committee on Nominations
g. Committee on Minutes of the Convention
h. Committee on Conduct of Elections
i. Committee on Place of Next Convention

*Item 2.* The Committee on Devotional Services in consultation with the President of the Convention shall make all appointments for the regular devotions, and see that the same are conducted in harmony with the usages of the Church.

*Item 3.* The Committee on Report of the President shall study his biennial report, and transmit his recommendations to the Convention with such additional recommendations as it may deem proper.

*Item 4.* The duties of the Committee of

Reference and Counsel shall include consideration of all general resolutions before they are submitted to the Convention; arrangement of special orders for the hearing of representatives; and such assistance as may be desired by the President in the conduct of the general program of the Convention.

*Item* 5. The Committee on Minutes of the Convention, in conference with the Secretary of the Church, shall review the Minutes of the sessions of each day of the Convention, and report at such times as are provided in the Convention program.

*Item* 6. The Committee on Conduct of Elections, consisting of as many groups as the President of the Church shall deem necessary, shall conduct the election of officers and members of Elective Agencies, in harmony with the rules and regulations adopted by The United Lutheran Church in America.

### (b) *Standing Committee*

*Item* 1. The President shall appoint the following Standing Committees to serve for the ensuing biennium:

a. Committee on Army and Navy Work
b. Committee on Church Statistics
c. Common Service Book Committee
d. Committe on Church Music
e. Committee on German Interests
f. Committee on Publicity
g. Committee on Transportation
h. Committee on Radio and Television

*Item* 2. The President shall appoint an Archivist for the ensuing biennium.

*Item* 3. The Secretary of the Church shall be ex-officio the Necrologist.

*Item* 4. No person shall be a member of more than two Appointive Standing Committees nor of more than one Elective Agency and one Appointive Standing Committee at the same time.

*Item* 5. The Committee on Church Statistics shall have as its chairman the Secretary of the Church ex-officio. The duty of this Committee shall be to counsel with the Secretary of the Church in regard to the vital statistics of the Church including the annual parochial reports of the congregations; and no Constituent Synod of The United Lutheran Church in America shall have the right to modify in any manner the parochial Report Blank provided for its report to The United Lutheran Church in America.

*Item* 6. The Common Service Book Committee shall consist of fifteen members, to whom shall be referred all matters pertaining to the worship of the Church. This Committee shall be responsible for the Common Service Book with respect to text and form in all editions; it shall prepare forms and manuals of worship and devotion authorized by the Church; and it shall consider such other matters as may be referred to it by the Church.

*Item* 7. The Committee on German Interests, upon approval of the Executive Board, shall arrange for any meetings of a General German Conference required. It shall serve as an advisory committee for any Committees or Elective Agencies of the Church, when they are dealing with matters that concern German congregations in a special way. It shall also have the right to approach any Agency of the Church in regard to matters that are of deep concern to the German work of the Church.

*Item* 8. The Committee on Transportation shall consist of three members, including the Secretary of the Church, ex-officio. The duties of this Committee shall include all transportation interests, especially the arrangements for the biennial conventions.

## SECTION VII

### AUXILIARIES OF THE CHURCH

*Item* 1. The Auxiliaries of the Church are the following:

a. The Women's Missionary Society of The United Lutheran Church in America
b. The Brotherhood of The United Lutheran Church in America
c. The Luther League of America

*Item* 2. The Auxiliaries of the Church shall make regular reports of their work to every biennial Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America, with such recommendations as they may desire.

*Item 3.* All Auxiliaries of the Church, in their district organization, shall conform to the boundaries of Constituent Synods.

## SECTION VIII

### DUTIES AND POWERS OF AGENCIES

*Item 1.* Inasmuch as all Elective Agencies, Appointive Committees and Auxiliaries are representative of the life and work of The United Lutheran Church in America, the general policies of all shall be decided by the Church. All questions, affecting the principles, policies and practices of the Church as a whole, shall be referred to the Church for decision. It shall be the duty of all such agencies, committees and auxiliaries to carry out and administer these principles and policies.

*Item 2.* No official relationship with any other ecclesiastical body, agency or movement shall be entered into by any agency or auxiliary of The United Lutheran Church in America without the approval of the Church. (See Constitution, Article VIII, Section 1.)

*Item 3.* All agencies of the Church, including the auxiliaries, after each of their meetings, shall furnish the Executive Board with a copy of their proceedings, that said Executive Board may be thoroughly informed and qualified to co-ordinate the work of the entire Body.

*Item 4.* When agencies of the Church seek appropriations or apportionments of funds from The United Lutheran Church in America, they shall present their request for the amount desired, together with a statement of their financial operations, to the Executive Board not less than three months before each regular Convention.

*Item 5.* No agency of the Church, including the auxiliaries, shall have the right to inaugurate a general appeal for the raising of funds outside of its regular budget, without the consent of the Executive Board.

*Item 6.* The financial accounts of the several agencies of the Church, including the auxiliaries, shall be submitted for audit to a Certified Public Accountant named and approved by the Executive Board; these audited accounts shall be presented in connection with their regular biennial reports to The United Lutheran Church in America. The fiscal year of all Boards and other Agencies shall close on the last day of the fourth month preceding the one in which the Convention of the Church shall meet.

*Item 7.* All reports of Boards, Auxiliaries and other Agencies of the Church shall be sent to the Secretary of the Church at least sixty days before each Convention.

*Item 8.* All reports of Boards Auxiliaries and other Elective Agencies of the Church shall be signed by their respective officers; all reports of Committees shall be signed by a majority of the members thereof.

*Item 9.* The person first named on a Special Committee shall act as its Chairman; the person first named on a Standing Committee shall act as its Convener, and the Committee shall elect its own officers.

*Item 10.* All decisions of the Commission of Adjudication shall be printed in the official church papers at least three weeks before the Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America, and both decisions and opinions in the pre-convention Bulletin of Reports.

*Item 11.* In all cases of appeal from any decision of the Commission of Adjudication, notice of intention to appeal must be given in writing to the President of the Commission and to the Secretary of The United Lutheran Church in America, at least six days prior to the first day of the Convention.

*Item 12.* An appeal from any decision of the Commission of Adjudication can be made only at the Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America at which such decision has been reported, and can be entertained only when *Items 10* and *11* above have been fully complied with, and the appeal shall have been submitted in writing by five delegates to said Convention. After the submission and argument of the appeal, it shall not be voted upon until the succeeding day, unless by reason of limited time the Convention by a two-thirds vote shall decide to adjudicate the appeal on the same day. To sustain the appeal, and reverse the decision from which the appeal is made, a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting shall be necessary.

## SECTION IX

### COMMISSIONS TO COMMON AGENCIES

### *(a) The National Lutheran Council*

*Item 1.* The National Lutheran Council is recognized as a common agency established by and serving certain general bodies of the Lutheran Church in America, including The United Lutheran Church in America.

*Item 2.* Councilors, representative of The United Lutheran Church in America in the National Lutheran Council, shall be elected biennially by the Executive Board, in the number to which this body is entitled under the constitution of the Council.

*Item 3.* The delegation of councilors representing The United Lutheran Church in America shall have the status of a standing commission of the Church, and shall be designated as the Commission to the National Lutheran Council.

*Item 4.* The Commission to the National Lutheran Council shall elect a chairman, a vice-chairman, and a secretary, and shall report regularly to the Executive Board, and to each biennial convention, presenting full information regarding the activities of the Council, current and proposed, with appropriate observations and recommendations.

*Item 5.* In case a councilor is prevented from attending a meeting of the Council or of a committee or commission of the Council, of which he is a member, his place at that meeting may be filled by an alternate to be appointed by the President of The United Lutheran Church in America.

*Item 6.* Items 4, 5, 7, and 8 of Section VIII of these By-laws shall be applicable to the Commission to the National Lutheran Council, and to the Council.

## SECTION X

### RULES OF PROCEDURE

*Item 1.* All reports, published in the Bulletin of Reports, shall be treated as having been received by the Convention without a formal vote.

*Item 2.* The privilege of the floor shall be granted to all members of the Executive Board, all members of the Commission of Adjudication, and all officers of Auxiliaries and Elective Agencies of the Church, when their respective reports are before the Convention.

*Item 3.* Unless otherwise determined by a two-thirds vote of the Convention, all speeches in general discussion shall be limited to five minutes.

*Item 4.* Any delegate may offer a resolution from the floor, which is germane to any pending question, but resolutions of a general character must be introduced to the Convention through the Committee of Reference and Counsel.

*Item 5.* When requests for appropriations are made from the floor of the Convention, they shall be referred to the Executive Board for consideration and report. A two-thirds vote of the Convention shall be required for adoption.

*Item 6.* Robert's Rules of Order, Revised, shall be the governing parliamentary law of The United Lutheran Church in America, except as otherwise provided in its Constitution and By-laws.

## SECTION XI

### AMENDMENTS

These By-laws may be suspended or amended at any Convention by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting; provided that due notice of the amendment proposed shall have been given on the preceding day.

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